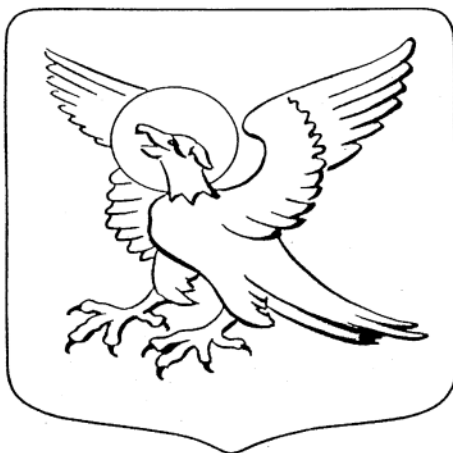


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 20, 2022

SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10am

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Welcome to St. John the Evangelist.

We acknowledge that we gather at St. John's on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

By attending this service, you are agreeing to appear on video in our on-line worship offering through St. John's website and Facebook site.

Yellow stage of the diocesan Pandemic plan means various safety measures to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. It has proven very effective for our church. Please show patience, kindness, respect and care for one another in these challenging times.

- Proof of vaccination is **not** required to attend worship services. All of St. John's clergy have been fully vaccinated.
- Masks are mandatory, even if you are fully vaccinated. Continue to wear your mask throughout the service. And continue with physical distancing.
- The washroom at the back of the church is available for use. If it is occupied, please ensure physical distancing as you wait.
- Congregational singing has resumed!
- Sunday School is offered in the lower hall. At this time, children will remain in Sunday School for the duration of the service.
- The offering plates will not be passed. You may place your donation in the box/bowl at the back of the church or at the exits. Thank you for your donation!
- Communion is now offered in **both kinds** for those who wish to receive it. The Greeter will indicate when you may leave your pew. Please make your way up the centre aisle to the clergy at the chancel steps to receive the bread, and then make your way to the table at the side aisle where you may receive the wine. The Communion assistant will say to you "The blood of Christ." You may choose to pick up the chalice and drink from it, or simply bow your head in response if you do not wish to receive. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine) is **not** permitted. Once you drink from the chalice, place it back on the table. The Communion assistant will then wipe the rim and rotate it for the next recipient and you return to your pew via the side aisle. You may remove your mask when you receive Communion and replace it as you return to your pew.
- Following the service, please wait for the Greeter to direct your row to exit the church via side aisles to the front doors. If you entered by the back parking lot, you may exit via the centre aisle towards the back. Please sanitize your hands upon leaving.

SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10am

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymn book unless otherwise indicated.

Prelude

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Gloria

Tune: Darwall

Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.

We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.

***We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed
in glory bright.***

***Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,
have mercy Lord. Beside the Father's hand enthroned,
now hear our prayer.***

You only are the Lord. You only are most high.

You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ.

And now you reign with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11, 39-40

Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42 (*said in unison; please remain seated*)

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.

He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.

Be still before the Lord * and wait patiently for him.

Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, * the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; * do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off, * but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

In a little while the wicked shall be no more; * you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

But the lowly shall possess the land; * they will delight in abundance of peace.

But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; * he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The Lord will help them and rescue them; * he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

But someone will ask, 'How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?' Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, 'The first man, Adam, became a living being'; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as

we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Jesus said) 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.'

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

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Intercessions (*Please kneel or sit. Response: hear our prayer.*)

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The Peace *(Please stand)*

Please remain in your pew during the peace. Make eye contact with your neighbour, smile behind your mask and wish them the peace of Christ.

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

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The Lord's Prayer *(sung)*

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Communion

All who are baptized are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine of Holy Communion. At the Greeter's direction, please make your way to the chancel steps to receive the bread, and then to the side aisle where you may receive the wine. Be assured that in the Anglican tradition receiving in one kind is considered full Communion. Please maintain physical distance from the person in front of you as you move to and from Communion.

Hymns during Communion Faithful One

***Faithful one, so unchanging
ageless one, you are my rock of peace
Lord of all I depend on you
I call out to you, again and again
I call out to you, again and again
You are my rock in times of trouble
You lift me up when I fall down
All through the storm
Your love is, the anchor
My hope is in You alone
(repeat)***

O Lord You're Beautiful / Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

***Oh Lord, you're beautiful,
Your face is all I seek,
For when your eyes are on this child,
Your grace abounds to me.***

***Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace***

***Oh Lord, please light the fire,
That once burned bright and clear.
Replace the lamp of my first love,
That burns with Holy fear.***

***Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace (repeat)***

Hymn after Communion

Benediction (please stand)

**May the Lord bless us, and may He keep us
And make His face to, shine upon
And when we part ways, may we know His grace
May hope everlasting
Keep us strong**

**To God be the glory, forever & ever
To God be the praise of all men
To God be the glory, forever and ever
To God be the glory amen**

Repeat all

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Postlude

Following the service, please wait until directed by the Greeter to leave your pew by the side aisle and proceed to the exit at the front of the church closest to you, keeping your physical distance as you exit. If you entered via the back door, you may leave via the centre aisle to that exit. Please take your belongings with you. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
Reader & Intercessor: Chris Cutler
Communion Assistants: Chris Cutler; Kevin Lewis
Greeters: Doreen & Ron Watt

The church and office will be closed Mon Feb 21
for Family Day. Regular office hours resume Tues Feb 22.

Readings for next Sunday, February 27, 2022 ~ Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36

In our Parish we pray for: Dan, Philip & Liane Burns; Ann R. Bothwell; Melanie; Dale Kerr; Susan & Garry Peters; Bill Pollock; Paul Dunlop; Val L.; Rita; Chris Cutler; Drew; Tim; Lila P; Erin; Rachael; Diane; Duncan; Pat.

Friends of the Parish we pray for: Zachary & Terri; Jacqui; John Duncan; Nancy; Sarah Telford; Robert Apro; Logan; Meagan, Jeff, and Baby Grayson; David M.; Katherine F.; Carol; Bernie Rawlings; Carole & Donald Foster; Don D; Beth; Martha; Lorna; Susan; Sylvia; Mikayla, Annabelle, Emily & Gabrielle; Donnie; Jennifer G; Emily; Tom Kirkahm

Parishioners residing in retirement/nursing homes we pray for: Bev Lannin; Cora Beasley; Thelma Doherty; Helen Cameron; Brenda Hauraney; Joan Dillon; Pat & Lily Willis; Leona Jones; Norma McPhee-Ranger; Jean Green; Joan Davison; Vivian Fleming; Marilyn Nicholson.

In our Diocese we pray for: The Rt. Rev'd Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa; the Rev'd Canon Peter John Hobbs, Director General of Community Ministries and members of the Community Ministries Committee; Resurrection Lutheran Church and all who minister there; for all called to vocations in the diaconate, priesthood and religious life.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

St. John's will hold its annual Vestry meeting on-line via ZOOM on **Sunday, February 27 at 11am**. Pre-registration by February 25 is required for this meeting. Please e-mail: dan.dwillis+vestry@gmail.com

If you wish to let your name stand for election for parish office, please contact Paul Howard or Karen Bryan. In order to let your name stand for election, you must be a member of Vestry, pursuant Canon 5.02

There will be only *one* in-person liturgy next Sunday Feb 27 at 9am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday Night Bible Study (virtual via ZOOM) Mondays at 7pm

Pour yourself a pint or a cuppa, log-in and join the discussion on the Gospel passage for the upcoming Sunday. To get the ZOOM log-in coordinates, contact catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca

Community Dinner on Delivery

Many thanks to our volunteers who have prepared and are delivering today's Community Dinner on Delivery.

Affordable Housing Initiative Information Session

It has been a long time since the Mission and Ministry Task Force (now included in St. John's Outreach Committee) and Carebridge Community Support have been able to offer a substantial update on the affordable housing project Carebridge is undertaking in Smiths Falls. (See St. John's website for a compilation of previous updates: <https://www.stjohn-smithsfalls.com/news/mission-ministry-congregational-updates-compilation>). This was due to long waits around Rapid Housing Initiative grant applications Carebridge submitted in 2020 and 2021. While there was no new information to share, Carebridge and members of the Outreach Committee did continue to stay in touch. In December 2021, Carebridge opted to proceed with the project under a more traditional co-investment model and is now able to share their plans more widely.

An *information session* has been rescheduled to **Thurs Mar 10 at 6:30pm** and will offer members of St. John's a chance to see what Carebridge has developed and to ask questions about the project. Members of the congregation are encouraged to participate as this relates to our mission and ministry objectives first articulated in 2018-2019. Please e-mail dan.dwillis+housing@gmail.com to

register and receive the ZOOM link. This is an information session that may lead to a special vestry vote in the future.

The session will also be streamed via Facebook. Those tuning in via that platform will not be able to interact or participate live in the discussions.

ADO 125th Anniversary Lecture Series Feb 21 7:30pm

Signs of Hope in the Fight Against Climate Change. In the third installment of the lecture series that commemorates the 125th anniversary of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa and looks forward to the future with hope, experts come together to educate and inspire action. Panelists are: Jacob Crane – Citizen of Tsuut'ina Nation, entrepreneur and community leader; Dr. Stewart Elgie – Director of the University of Ottawa's interdisciplinary Environment Institute and founder & chair of Smart Prosperity, a Canadian green economy think tank and policy-research network; and Dr. Robert Gifford – University of Victoria professor of psychology and environmental studies, specializing in environmental psychology and barriers to sustainable behaviour or "the dragons of inaction."

The lecture (and the previous two lectures) may be viewed on our diocesan YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ANGDIOOTT>

Creating Connections Youth Mental Health

The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa is proud to host Creating Connections – A Youth Mental Health Day. Feb 26 for youth in Grades 7-10 and Mar 5 for young adults in Grades 11 through to University. Registration is required. Please find more information and the registration link at <https://www.ottawa.anglican.ca>, under the 'events' tab (see calendar dates Feb 16 and Mar 5.)

Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for the year ending 2021 were mailed the week of January 31. If you do not receive yours soon, please contact Envelope Secretary Nancy Fleming.

Tax Return Assistance

ConnectWell Community Health, in partnership with the Canada Revenue Agency is offering free income tax return filing for families and persons of modest income. Trained volunteers will complete tax returns *over the phone*. You must have your Social Insurance Number, T4, rent receipts and medical expense files ready and at hand when you call. (613) 257 -7121 ext 3200 or 1-800-667-2617 ext. 3200.

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Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8am & 10am* – Wednesdays 10am

*Sunday School offered at 10am

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