# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Vocations Sunday)

May 8, 2022

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#### Alleluia! Christ is risen. 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.

The modified *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.

Some restrictions have eased and this will continue in the weeks ahead. Readers, intercessor and preachers may now remove their masks when speaking.

- Proof of vaccination is **not** required to attend worship services. All of St. John's clergy have been fully vaccinated.
- Masks continue to be mandatory, even if you are fully vaccinated. Please wear your mask throughout the service except when receiving Communion. Physical distancing continues to be encouraged.
- Sunday School is offered in the Upper Hall. Children will join their families at the offertory.
- 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. If you require Communion to be brought to you, please notify the greeter.

# SUNG EUCHARIST

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbooks unless otherwise indicated

#### Prelude

# **Hymn 328**

# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Presider: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Presider: May his grace and peace be with you. People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

# **Collect for Purity**

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<u>Gloria</u> 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**

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

# THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Tune: Crimond

Reader: The Word of the Lord **All:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 23** (please remain seated)

The Lord's my shepherd, all my need, through him will be supplied; by quiet streams and through green fields the Lord will be my guide.

The Lord revives me, guides my feet on pathways that are right, and I shall fear no evil though I walk through darkest night.

Your rod and staff, they comfort me; in presence of my foes you feed me; you anoint my head and my cup overflows.

Your goodness and your mercy, Lord, shall surely follow me, and I will dwell in God's own house for all eternity.

# **Second Reading**

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# **Gradual Hymn 508**

Holy Gospel John 10:22-30

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Sermon

**Apostles' Creed** 

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# **Easter Litany**

Response:



#### The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

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.

# **Hymn 520**

# THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

# Prayer over the gifts

**Eucharistic Prayer 3** 

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**Sanctus** Tune: Land of Rest

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

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**Breaking of the Bread 8** 

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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 Red Song Book 65, 149, 165

**Hymn after Communion 85** (please stand)

# Prayer after Communion Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do even more that we

can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever

and ever. Amen.

# The Blessing

# **Hymn 281**

## **Dismissal**

#### Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah

Reader: Dawn Dunlop

Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis; Sue Norman

Greeters: Doreen & Ron Watt

Readings for next Sunday, May 15 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

## **NOTICE OF SPECIAL VESTRY**

A special Vestry will be held on **Wed May 18, 2022 at 7pm**. This meeting will be <u>in-person</u> and will take place in the church nave. This Vestry concerns the second of St. John's Mission & Ministry priorities identified in 2019 – affordable housing. A Q&A about the information provided to parishioners this weekend will be held following the 8am and 10am services on Sun May 15.

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\*Sunday School offered at 10am

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