

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 4, 2022
Season of Creation

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.

We are in the *Green* stage of the diocesan Pandemic plan. Various safety measures are in place to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. 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 optional when in the building, but strongly recommended.
- Physical distancing and capacity limits are no longer in place, but please be respectful of other people's comfort level. Alternate pews continue to be marked off to allow for more space. Always ask someone if it is okay to sit beside them if they are not in your household or bubble.
- 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 offered in **both kinds** for those who wish to receive it. 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. You then return to your pew via the side aisle.

SUNG EUCHARIST

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbooks unless otherwise indicated

The flowers at the altar today are to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Leslie Lewis, given by the Lewis family.

Prelude

Announcements

Hymn 445

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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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

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; 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

Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139 (please remain seated)

Tune: St. Thomas

**Lord, you have known me well, searched out all I have wrought,
My sitting down and rising up, discerned my every thought.**

**You trace each step, each rest, along the way I go,
There is no word upon my lips which you, Lord, do not know.**

**You press on every side and on me lay your hand;
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me to understand.**

**Where then, Lord, can I go? Where can I flee from you?
If up to heaven, you are there; if in the grave, there too.**

**If on the morning's wings I reach the utmost shore,
Yet even there your hand will lead and hold me evermore.**

Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Hymn 559

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

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.

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

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Intercessions *(please kneel or sit; response: Hear our prayer.)*

Confession and absolution

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The Peace

Those gathered may wish one another the peace of Christ.

Hymn 431

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts

Great Thanksgiving (Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 1)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

All ***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.***

Celebrant Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into the one bread.

All So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

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 71, 107, 103

Hymn after Communion: 74 (please stand)

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

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The Blessing

Hymn 386

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Asch
Reader & Intercessor: Karen Bryan
Communion Assistants: Karen Bryan; Kevin Lewis
Greeters: Kathy Porter; Judy Duncalfe

Readings for next Sunday, September 11 ~ 14th after Pentecost
Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

Please note that the parish office and church will be closed on Monday, September 5 for the Labour Day holiday. Office hours resume on Tuesday, September 6.

In our Parish we pray for: Dan, Philip Burns; Ann R. Bothwell; Melanie; Dale Kerr; Susan & Garry Peters; Bill Pollock; Paul Dunlop; Val L.; Rita; Chris Cutler; Drew; Tim; Erin; Rachel; Sharon; Linda; Peter & Judy; Sandra; Lila; Janice; Jamie; Joy; Sharon; Bill Deakin.

Friends of the Parish we pray for: Zachary & Terri; John Duncan; Sarah Telford; Robert Apro; Logan; Meagan, Jeff, and Baby Grayson; Katherine F.; Carol; Bernie Rawlings; Carole & Donald Foster; Don D; Beth; Martha; Lorna; Susan; Sylvia; Mikayla, Annabelle, Emily & Gabrielle; Donnie; Tom Kirkham; Jonathan; Joan Blair; Jim Harper; Judy.

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

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for: The Rt. Rev'd Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa; St. James, Leitrim and All Saints, Greely with the Rev'd Joan Riding, Interim Priest-in-Charge; St. Mary's, Russell and the Rev'd Dr. Anne Quick, Interim Priest-in-Charge; the Diocese of Jerusalem and Middle East and the Most Rev'd Hossam Naoum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES

Sunday School resumes next **Sun Sept 11** at the 10am service in the upper parish hall. Please be prepared to register children and sign consent forms the first Sunday you drop off your children. For questions about Sunday School, or if you would be willing to assist occasionally, please contact Emily Duberville at emduberville@hotmail.com

ON-LINE MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: MON 7:15PM SEPT 12

A year long journey using *Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together* to explore Jesus' teachings. The book, edited by Charles E. Moore and published by Plough Publishing House is available for purchase through Chapters and Amazon To obtain the ZOOM coordinates, e-mail stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com

PINT & A PASSAGE RESUMES: TUES 7PM SEPT 6

Join the conversation about the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday at the Lockmaster's Taphouse and Patio. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

COMMUNITY DINNER: SUN SEPT 18

Community Dinner returns on Sun Sept 18. We will need volunteers for delivery that afternoon. If you are able to help, e-mail: catherine-asciah@ottawa.anglican.ca

MUSIC MINISTRY AT ST. JOHN'S

The fall is almost upon us, and this is a great time to add your voice to our music ministry.

"Beginnings" is asking for anyone who would like to sing/play an instrument to please come along and join. Singing and praying for the Lord is a great way to "make a joyful noise". Even if you would just like to try it for a month and see how it goes, you would be gladly welcomed. Practices are Mondays from 6 – 7pm, starting Sept 12. Bring along any ideas or music suggestions. For more information, contact Kathy Porter.

St. John's choir welcomes anyone who loves to sing. No experience required. Each week the choir leads the congregation in hymns and psalms, and prepares anthems for festivals. Rehearsals are usually Thursday evenings. For more information contact Sterling Bennett.

NEW PHONE SYSTEM

St. John's has a new updated phone system. The parish phone number remains unchanged, and extensions have individual voicemails.

SEASON OF CREATION

Christians around the world are invited to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation from Sept 1 – Oct 4. It is a time of intentional prayer, education and action.

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am -12noon (appointment preferred)

Weekly Liturgies

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

**Sunday School offered at 10am from September - June*

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