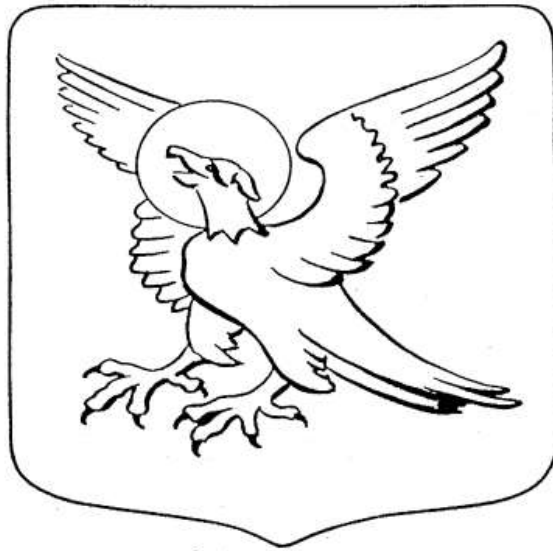


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 18, 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

Prelude

Announcements

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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

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; 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 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: 'Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?' ('Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?') 'The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.' For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7 (please remain seated)

Tune: Duke Street

**O Shepherd, like a flock you lead
your people Israel; hear our prayer;
enthroned upon the cherubim
in glory, shine on our despair.**

**Before Manasseh, Benjamin,
and Ephraim, Lord, grant us your grace;
restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
show us the glory of your face.**

**How long will you be angered, Lord,
although we kneel before your feet?
You give us bowls of tears to drink,
provide us bread of tears to eat.**

**Our enemies laugh us to scorn,
our neighbours witness our disgrace;
restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
show us the glory of your face.**

Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all – this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Hymn 439

Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

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.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that

when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

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 614

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 123, 141, 137

Hymn after Communion: 74 (please stand)

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

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The Blessing

Hymn 467

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
Reader & Intercessor: Donna Howard
Communion Assistants: Chris Elmsley; Donna Howard
Greeters: Ruth & Garry Rodford

Readings for next Sunday, September 25 ~ 16th after Pentecost
Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

Canon Catherine will be out of the parish attending the Diocesan Clergy Conference from 12noon on Monday – 5pm Wednesday. In case of pastoral emergency, please contact Canon Jim Roberts at (613) 283-2125.

In our Parish we pray for: Dan, Philip & Chris 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; 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; Lorna; Sylvia; Donnie; Tom Kirkham; Jonathan; Joan Blair; Jim Harper; Judy; Diane.

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

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for: The Rt. Rev'd Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa; Diocesan Community Ministries – Anglican Day Programs (Centre 454, The Well, St. Luke's Table), Centre 105, Cornerstone, Ottawa Pastoral Counselling Centre, Refugee Ministry); St. Helen's, Orleans and the Ven. Rhonda Waters; Open Table Ministry to university students.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

WELCOME BACK BBQ

Stay and visit after church today, and enjoy some burgers off the grill. Check out the raised garden bed that has produced squash for soup making and connect with folks you may not have chatted with in awhile.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The fall is here 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. 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.

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

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: TUES 7PM

Join the conversation about the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday at Rob Roy's Pub. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS: SUN OCT 2 4PM

All creatures, great and small are welcome. We will gather outside on the front lawn (weather permitting – inside the church in case of inclement weather). For everyone's safety – especially the animals! – please ensure that yours is kept securely on a leash or in a suitable carrier.

TRC CALLS TO ACTION

As part of St. John's efforts to learn more about Canada's history and our Church's history with the indigenous people of this land, summaries of the 94 Calls to Action generated at the final report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission will be published in the bulletin between now and September 30, the National Day for Reconciliation.

Calls to Action 62-66 (Children & Youth):

62. We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments, in consultation and collaboration with Survivors, Aboriginal peoples, and educators, to:

- i. Make age-appropriate curriculum on residential schools, Treaties, and Aboriginal peoples' historical and contemporary contributions to Canada a mandatory education requirement for Kindergarten to Grade Twelve students.
 - ii. Provide the necessary funding to post-secondary institutions to educate teachers on how to integrate Indigenous knowledge and teaching methods into classrooms.
 - iii. Provide the necessary funding to Aboriginal schools to utilize Indigenous knowledge and teaching methods in classrooms.
 - iv. Establish senior-level positions in government at the assistant deputy minister level or higher dedicated to Aboriginal content in education.
- 63. We call upon the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to maintain an annual commitment to Aboriginal education issues, including:
 - i. Developing and implementing Kindergarten to Grade Twelve curriculum and learning resources on Aboriginal peoples in Canadian history, and the history and legacy of residential schools.
 - ii. Sharing information and best practices on teaching curriculum related to residential schools and Aboriginal history.
 - iii. Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect.
 - iv. Identifying teacher-training needs relating to the above.
- 64. We call upon all levels of government that provide public funds to denominational schools to require such schools to provide an education on comparative religious studies, which must include a segment on Aboriginal spiritual beliefs and practices developed in collaboration with Aboriginal Elders.
- 65. We call upon the federal government, through the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, and in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, post-secondary institutions and educators, and the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation and its partner institutions, to establish a national research program with multi-year funding to advance understanding of reconciliation.
- 66. We call upon the federal government to establish multi-year funding for community-based youth organizations to deliver programs on reconciliation, and establish a national network to share information and best practices.

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

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