ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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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 for the congregation when in the building, but strongly recommended. Worship leaders are currently required to wear masks while in the building.
- 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.

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Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbook unless otherwise indicated.

Prelude

Announcements

Hymn 114

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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<u>Canticle</u> Tune: St. Agnes

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of his word; to God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name! Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; his mercy sure, from age to age the same; his holy name—the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might! Powers and dominions lay their glory by; proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word! Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and for evermore!

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

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

Psalm 122 (sung in unison; please remain seated) Setting: George Black



I was glad when they said to me, * "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Now our feet are standing * within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R** Jerusalem is built as a city * that is at unity with itself. To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, * the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord. **R** For there are the thrones of judgement, * the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: * "May they prosper who love you. **R** Peace be within your walls * and quietness within your towers. For my brethren and companions' sake, * I pray for your prosperity. Because of the house of the Lord our God, * I will seek to do you good." **R**

Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

Gradual Hymn 98

Holy Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Jesus said) 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn 94

Sermon

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Intercessions (Please kneel or sit. The response is: Lord, have mercy.)

Confessions and absolution

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The Peace (Please stand)

People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Hymn 48

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Sanctus

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.

The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

Presider: God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your

kingdom.

All: Happy are those who are called to the supper of the

Lamb.

Presider: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

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. Intinction is not permitted. 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: 89

Hymn after Communion (please stand)

Now in this banquet, Christ is our bread; here shall all hungers be fed. Bread that is broken, wine that is poured, love is the sign of our Lord.

God of our journeys, daybreak to night; lead us to justice and light. Grant us compassion, strength for the day, wisdom to walk in your way.

Now in this banquet, Christ is our bread; here shall all hungers be fed. Bread that is broken, wine that is poured, love is the sign of our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Presider: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All:

And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 577

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon John Bridges Reader & Intercessor: Lois Arkell Communion Assistants: Karen Bryan; Chris Elmsley Greeters: Kathy Porter; Doreen Watt Readings for next Sunday, December 4 ~ Advent II Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

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