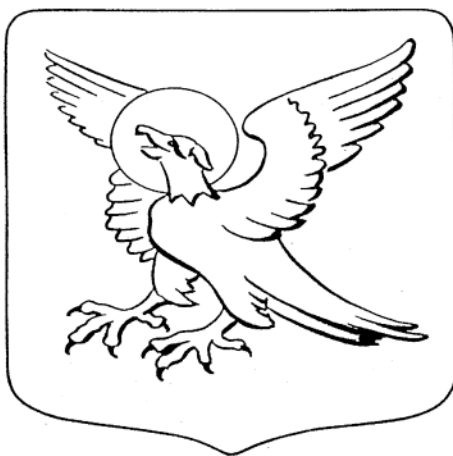


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 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.

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.

SUNG EUCHARIST

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

Prelude

Announcements

Hymn 103

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Greeting

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Canticle

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, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; 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

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 72:1-8

Setting: George Black



*Give the king your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the king's son; That he may rule your people righteously * and the poor with justice; That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness. **R** He shall defend the needy among the people; * he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, * from one generation to another. He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth. **R** In his time shall the righteous flourish; * there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. He shall rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. **R***

Second Reading

Romans 15:4-13

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 100

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

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

Apostles' Creed

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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 116

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

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: 96 and 102

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 101

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon John Bridges

Reader & Intercessor: Donna Howard

Communion Assistants: Donna Howard; Kevin Lewis

Greeters: Ruth Rodford; Garry Rodford

Readings for next Sunday, December 11 ~ Advent III
Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:4-9; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

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