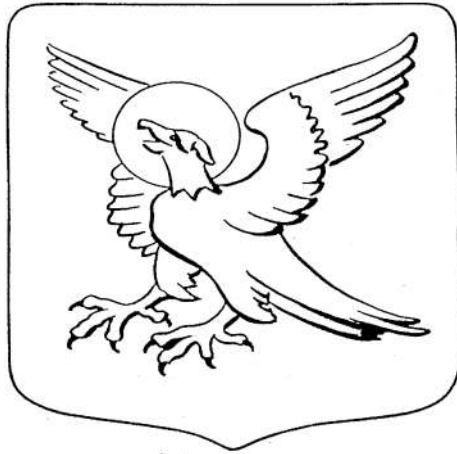


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14, 2023

SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10 a.m.

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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 pages.

SUNG EUCHARIST

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

The flowers on the Altar are placed in memory of Diane Bennett, placed by her family, Sterling Bennett, Teresa Bennett and William Joynt. May Diane rest in peace and rise in glory.

Prelude

Announcements

Hymn#350

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

Rejoice, then, even in your distress.

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

God has claimed us as his own.

He called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

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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

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown God.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being';

as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:8-18 (Read responsively while seated)

Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows, which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what he has done for me.

I called out to him with my mouth, and his praise was on my tongue.

If I had found evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me; but in truth God has heard me; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld his love from me.

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn #494, vs. 1 & 2 before the Gospel,
vs. 3 & 4 after the Gospel**

Holy Gospel

John 14:15-21

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.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you

forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Nicene Creed

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Intercessions (*Please kneel or sit. Response: Hear us, Lord of glory.*)



Confession and absolution

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The Peace (*Please stand.*) *People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.*

Hymn #486

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

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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. 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 #18, 107, 79 (Red Song Book)

Hymn after Communion #481

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

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The Blessing

Hymn #371

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Jim Roberts

Reader & Intercessor: Cindy Penman/Dawn Dunlop

Communion Assistants: Dan Willis and Chris Elmsley

Greeters: Nancy Fleming and Linda MacLaren

Readings for next Sunday, May 21, 2023 ~

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

In our Parish we pray for: Charis; Garry Rodford; Kathy Porter; Tom K.; Lawrence James; Dan; Philip Burns; Ann R. Bothwell; Melanie; Susan & Garry Peters; Bill Pollock; Paul Dunlop; Val L.; Rita; Chris Silvermoon-Cutler; Drew; Tim; Erin; Rachel; Sharon; Linda; Peter & Judy; Sandra; Lila; Janice; Sharon; Muriel; Diane Watkins.

Friends of the Parish we pray for: Zachary & Terri; John Duncan; Sarah Telford; Logan; Meagan; Katherine F.; Carol; Bernie Rawlings; Carole & Donald Foster; Beth; Martha; Lorna; Susan; Sylvia; Donnie; Tom Kirkham; Jonathan; Joan Blair; Diane; Simon Campbell; Ed & Linda; Barb; Michael & Charlotte; Vera; Tony; Daphne; Les Philp.

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.

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