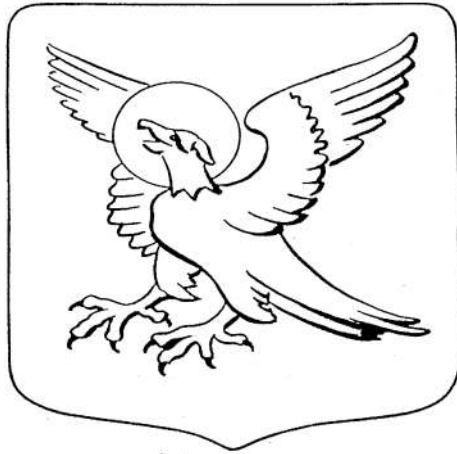


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



ASCENSION SUNDAY

May 21, 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.

Prelude

Announcements

Hymn#247

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

Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord.
Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of his peace,
and bring the whole of creation
to worship at his feet,
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 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know

the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47

All peoples, clap your hands, and shout with joy and sing,
The Lord Most High is to be feared. He is the earth's great King.

He brings the nations down and peoples in our sight;
He chooses our inheritance; His love is Jacob's might.

God has gone up on high with shout and trumpet's voice;
Sing praise, sing praise to God our King, sing praise to him, rejoice.

For God is King of all, sing praise with all your skill;
He sits upon his holy throne and rules all nations still.

The nobles of the earth are joined with Abraham's seed;
The rulers of the world are God's and he is praised indeed.

Second Reading

Eph 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn #383, vs. 1 & 2 before the Gospel,
vs. 3 & 4 after the Gospel**

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:44-53

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.

Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up

into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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 #482

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

**Singing the Lord's Prayer*

Communion song 1)

Wairua Tapu

****sung twice***

*Wairua Tapu, Kuhu Mai
Naumai ki konei
Wairua Tapu Arahia
Korero mai ano*

*Holy Spirit welcome
You are welcome here
Guide us, Holy Spirit
Speak to us again*

*Hai rae mai, wairua
Hai rae mai, wairua*

Communion song 2)

Living Hope

*How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

*Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory*

To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Chorus:

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory!

Chorus x 2

Communion song 3)

Lord of the Dance

Red Hymn Book # 69

Hymn After Communion

Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, amen, amen

Prayer after Communion
Doxology

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The Blessing

Hymn #374

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Canon Jim Roberts

Reader & Intercessor: Lois Arkell

Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Karen Bryan

Greeters: Carl Young & Beryl Young

Readings for next Sunday, May 28, 2023 ~

Acts 2:1-21; Ps 104:25-35,37;1 Cor 12:3B-13; Jn 20:19-23

PRAYER LIST

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; Heather & Sarah; Vivian Fleming.

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; Richard Rawlings; Donnie Stanzel.

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: Shane, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; as well as The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle, the ministry of reconciliation and National Indigenous Bishop, Sidney Black. The Area Parish of Mississippi Lake, the Venerable Brian Kauk and the Reverend Jonathan Askwith. For custodial staff serving the parishes and ministries of our diocese. For vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

USED EYEWEAR COLLECTION BOX

The Athens Lions Club is running a recycled eyewear campaign which provides recycled eyewear free of charge to people in developing countries. You can donate all types and strengths of used prescription glasses, reading glasses and non-prescription sunglasses. Cases are not accepted. The collection box is in the upper hall for the month of May. Please contact Laura Porter if you have any questions.

EVERY CHILD MATTERS MEMORIAL

You may have noticed that on May 6th we took down the orange heart memorial installation from the front of the Church. This installation was intended as a temporary expression of care for and solidarity with our indigenous brothers and sisters across Canada as we all grieved the discovery of so many unmarked graves connected with residential schools. After two years on display, it was felt that the temporary installation had accomplished its initial task. However, this is not the end of the conversation. In the future, our parish's reconciliation group will be looking to begin a parish wide discussion about how we might more permanently mark our ongoing care for and solidarity with indigenous groups and individuals as we walk the path of reconciliation together with them, and with the Anglican Church of Canada.

INDUCTION SERVICE FOR REV. CANON CATHERINE ASCAH

Will be held on Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Bartholomew Church, 125 MacKay Street, Ottawa.

ON LINE FORM FOR ACCESSIBILITY PRIORITIES

Our townhall meeting on April 23rd to discuss accessibility concerns at St. John's yielded many suggestions for improvement. Thanks to Laura Porter, an online form listing these ideas has been posted. Please take time to review the document and vote for those items of greatest interest to you. Please access our website at www.stjohn-smithsfalls.com. Or, please use the QR code provided, below.



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Kathryn Rycroft – Parish Secretary

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. - 12 noon

Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.* – Wednesdays 10 a.m.

*Sunday School offered at 10 a.m. from September – June

The Right Reverend Shane A. D. Parker – Bishop of Ottawa

The Reverend Dr. Thomas Brauer, Presiding Celebrant &
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