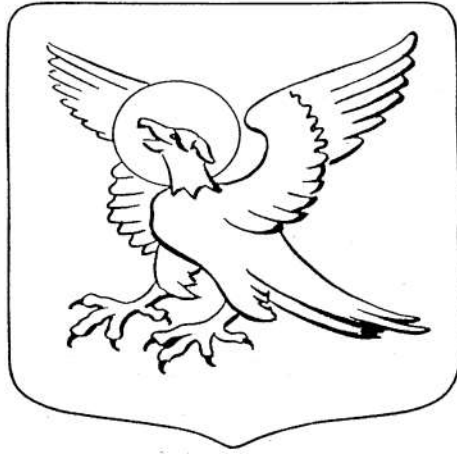


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST



ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada

**Third Sunday
after the
Epiphany**

January 21, 2024
SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10 a.m.
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Welcome to the Church of 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.



This service is video recorded, streamed, and broadcast. 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.



Hymns are from the [blue](#) Common Praise hymnbook unless otherwise indicated.

Today's service can be found on page 185 of the [green](#) Book of Alternative Services ([BAS](#)) located in the pew back in front of you.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Announcements

• Processional (Opening) Hymn

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- **Greeting**

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- **Collect for Purity**

- **Gloria (sung)**

**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,
by grace alone you call us
and accept us in your service.
Strengthen us by your Spirit,
and make us worthy of your call;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5,10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62

(Read Responsively)

For God alone my soul in silence waits; truly, my hope is in him.

**He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so
that I shall not be shaken.**

In God is my safety and my honour; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

Put your trust in him always, O people, pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

On the scales they are lighter than a breath, all of them together.

Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

- **Gradual Hymn:**

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vss. 1 & 2 before the Gospel, vs. 3, 4 & 5 after the Gospel

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

- **Nicene Creed** **p. 188**
- **Prayers of the People** **p. 190**
- **Confession and Absolution** **p. 188**

The Peace

People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

- **Offertory Hymn**

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Loving God,
before the world began you called us.
Make holy all we offer you this day,
and strengthen us in that calling.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

- **Eucharistic Prayer 3**

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Sanctus (sung)

**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** (sung)

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- **Breaking of the Bread 5**

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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 receive the elements if you wish to. All are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

- **Hymns during Communion** (Beginnings – See Insert)
- **Hymn after Communion** (Beginnings – See Insert)

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

- **Doxology** **p. 214**
- **The Blessing**
- **Recessional Hymn** **565**
- **Dismissal**
- **Postlude**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: MON 7:15PM

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Monday night study has resumed, reading Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World, by Joanna Weaver. We meet on Mondays at 7:15-8:15 through zoom. If anyone would like to join, please let Nancy Fleming know.

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.

CHURCH CALENDARS

2024 Church calendars are available for pick up in the Canterbury Room. The cost is \$6.00.

Pray K7A

Come and pray for Smiths Falls and area. The last Sunday of each month Christians from across Smiths Falls gather to pray for the town and area, to sing praise to God, and to encourage each other. This month, on Sunday, January 28, at 7:00 p.m., we will gather at the Salvation Army Chapel.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

Our Annual Vestry Meeting will take place on Sunday, February 25, 2024 following the 10:00 a.m. service. Wardens, Karen and Paul, ask contributors to submit reports for the Vestry circular to the parish office by Sunday, February 4, 2024. Electronic submissions (**not.pdf**) would be most appreciated. (stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com)

GAMES NIGHT

Friday, January 26, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

Please join us for some games, food and fellowship! Bring your friends and bring your games! A warm meal will be provided and a few

games will be available to choose from. Please contact Laura Porter if you have any questions.

BAPTISMS – EASTER 2024

Baptisms are a joyful and exciting moment in the life of our church. We will once again be celebrating baptisms at Easter this year, following the ancient tradition of the Church. Any un-baptised person, or Christian parent of an un-baptised child is welcome to join in the baptismal preparation classes. If you or someone in your family have been thinking about baptism, then you are encouraged to contact Thomas (thomascbrauer@outlook.com), or the parish office (613-283-1261) as soon as possible. Baptismal preparation classes will begin on Sunday, January 28th, following the 10am service. Whenever possible, lunch will be provided.

LENTEN STUDY SERIES – LENT 2024

Lent comes early this year, so sign up soon for this year's Lenten Study Series: The Unfolding Gospel. We will be working through the book by the same name by Prof. John P. Bowen. This book is a very accessible exploration into the meaning and implications of the Christian message, written in a way that makes you feel like you're sitting down for a coffee with a wise friend and mentor. Thomas will be leading two sessions per week during lent: Tuesday evenings, 7pm, in the Link Room, and Wednesday mornings, 11pm, in the Link Room (These sessions are repeats of each other, there's no need to attend both each week). Please sign up if you're interested. Sign-up sheets will be located at the back of the church, at the North entrance, and outside the office door. Cost will be between \$25 and \$30 including the book and refreshments.

2023 TAX RECEIPTS

Are now available in the Canterbury Room.

Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Preacher: Rev. Canon Jim Roberts
Reader & Intercessor: Karen Bryan
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Kathy Porter
Greeters: Paul Howard & Donna Howard
Readings for next Sunday, January 28, 2024 ~
Dt 18:15-20; Ps 111; 1 Cor 8:1-13; Mk 1:21-28

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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 & Preacher

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