ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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Transfiguration Sunday

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SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10 a.m.

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** **505**

- **Greeting**

  BAS, p.185

- **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,
on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses
your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured:
mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world,
and change us into his likeness from glory to glory;

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 2 Kings 2:1-12

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a

double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

Psalm 50

(Read Responsively)

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of his people.

"Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge.

Second Reading 2 Cor 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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

• Gradual Hymn: 619

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

Holy Gospel Mark 9:2-9

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.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with

Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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. 191**

The Peace

People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

- **Offertory Hymn** **397**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God,
receive all we offer you this day,
and bring us to that radiant glory
which we see in the transfigured face

of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

- **Eucharistic Prayer 3** **p. 198**

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) **p. 211**

- **Breaking of the Bread** **p. 212**

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** **16, 21, 100**

- **Hymn after Communion** **74**

Prayer after Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name.

Doxology **p. 214**

The Blessing

- **Recessional Hymn** **103**

Dismissal

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: MON 7:15PM
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
There are only a few 2024 Church calendars left for pick up in the Canterbury Room. The cost is $6.00.

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 today, February 4, 2024. Electronic submissions **(not.pdf)** would be most appreciated. (stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com)

PARISH ADMINISTRATION – VESTRY

Paul Howard and Karen Bryan are accepting nominations for Parish Council, Synod and the People's/Deputy People's Wardens positions. Please speak with them about these opportunities to participate in parish administration before Friday, February 23, 2024. Elections will take place at the Vestry meeting on Sunday, February 25, 2024. Thank you.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The ecumenical, World Day of Prayer service will take place on Friday, March 1st, 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. The theme of the program, prepared by the WDP Palestine Committee is, "I beg you...bear with one another in love." St. John's will be participating in the event. Please plan to attend.

BOWLING FOR BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

The St. John Holy Terriers are all set to bowl and raise money for Big Brothers/Big Sisters on February 24, 2024 at Gratton Lanes, in Smiths Falls. Pledge sheets will be available at all the entrances and bowlers are welcome! We will also be online for donations as well through the Lanark County Big Brothers Big Sisters website registered as St. John Holy Terriers.

PARKING

Unless you or someone in your vehicle has mobility issues, please avoid use of the rear parking lot at the 10:00 a.m. service. Your consideration of others requiring ramp access would be appreciated.

PRAY K7A

Come and pray for Smiths Falls and area, sing praise to God and to encourage each other. This month, on February 25, 2024 we will meet at Bethel Pentecostal Church at 7:00 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be two services on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024, one at 10:00 a.m. and one at 7:00 p.m.

LIGHTHOUSE CAFÉ

Is asking for our help. Located at 15 Russell E. A wonderful gathering space for our community. They need volunteers any day from Tues. – Sat. (closed Sun. and Mon.) for any amount of time from 10:30am-3pm. – cooking, baking, cleaning, washing dishes, welcoming folks. If you think that this might be something that God is calling you to do, please give Susie Noel a call at 613 284-6244.

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Reader & Intercessor: Karen Bryan
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Chris Elmsley
Greeters: Beryl Young & Carl Young
Readings for next Sunday, February 18, 2024 ~
Gen 9:8-17; Ps 25:1-9; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:9-15

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

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