ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

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 *Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring … J.S. Bach*

Announcements

- **Processional (Opening) Hymn** **384**

- **Greeting**

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- **Children's Talk**

- **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

O God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples

in the breaking of bread.
Open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in his redeeming work,
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 Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4 (sung) *Tune: St. Anne*

O God, defender of my cause,
When I call, answer me;
You set me free when most hard pressed;
Have mercy, hear my plea.

"How long will you dishonor me,
You creatures of the dust;
And worship gods that cannot speak
And in false idols trust?"

God does great wonders for his own;
When I call, he will hear;
Speak to your heart, then, secretly;
Do not sin; stand in fear.

Offer the sacrifice required,
And trust in God's great might;
While many seek for better times,
Lord, let us see your light.

You put more gladness in my heart
Than when our crops increase;
You, Lord, alone make me secure;
I fall asleep in peace.

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-7

> See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.

What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sins is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

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

- **Gradual Hymn:** **486**

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

Holy Gospel — Luke 24:36B-48

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 himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and

still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he 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."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

- **Nicene Creed** **p. 188**

Prayers of the People

- **Confession and Absolution** **p. 191**
- **The Peace** **p. 192**

People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

- **Offertory Hymn** **435**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Creator of all,
you wash away our sins in water,
you give us new birth by the Spirit,
and redeem us in the blood of Christ.
As we celebrate the resurrection,
renew your gift of life within us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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 8** **p. 213**

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 153**

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

Prayer after Communion

Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

- **Doxology** **p. 214**

The Blessing

- **Recessional Hymn** **388**

Dismissal

Postlude *Trumpet Tune in G … D. Johnson*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild is looking for new members (male or female). We work in teams to prepare the vessels, linens and flower decorations for all regular services. There is a roster and teams of volunteers take responsibility on a rotational basis. This is an important and quiet "behind the scenes" ministry that helps to enhance the worship experience at St. John's – and it is both fun and interesting. If this interests you, please contact Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer through the Church office, (613) 283-1261 or Debbie Lewis (613) 284-6111.

SPRING FLING

Thursday, April 25, 2024, 7:00 p.m., Smiths Falls Civitan Club. Sponsored by Westminster Presbyterian Church, Mission Outreach Committee. Singer: Trish Warren. Trish shares her gratitude for God's amazing presence in her life through story and song. There will be light refreshments, a silent auction and door prises. Tickets: $10.00 available from Linda Coleman, (613) 283-7162.

FISH FRY

Sunday, April 21, 4:00-6:30 p.m., sponsored by St. Philip Church, Toledo and being held at the Toledo Legion. Cost: $19.00 Adults; $10.00 Children 12 and under. Dine in or take out. Limited outdoor heated tables.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

We would like to establish a volunteer roster to man the Church office during regular office hours, when the parish secretary is on vacation or is ill. If you are interested, please contact the Church office, (613) 283-1261.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY – 7:15 P.M.

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.

PRAY K7A

In this season of Christ's glorious resurrection we will gather again on April 28 to pray for Smiths Falls and area. The last Sunday of each month, Christians from across the Smiths Falls area gather to pray for

the town, townships and villages, to sing praise to God, and to encourage each other. This month, **April 28 at 7:00 p.m.,** we'll gather **at the Smiths Falls (Independent) Assembles of God** building, 54 William Street West. We'll be praying generally for the town and area, so please bring your own cares and concerns to pray with the Christian community for God's grace, healing and hope.

GOOD NEWS!

If you thought you missed the last meeting to discuss our parish's strategy for embracing the future, you haven't! The final meeting of this series has been postponed to **Sunday, April 21, following the 10:00 a.m. service**. This is the most important of the three meetings, and you needn't have attended the first two in order to attend this one – so please join us as we continue this important conversation. If you have any questions, please share them with Thomas.

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Reader: Karen Bryan
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Chris Elmsley
Greeters: Linda Coleman & Carol McNabb
Readings for next Sunday, April 21, 2024 ~
Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23; 1 Jn 3:16-24; Jn 10:11-18

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