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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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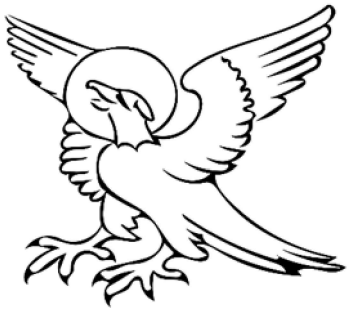

Trinity Sunday

May 26, 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,** **1**

- **Greeting**

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- **Children's Talk**

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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

Father, we praise you:
through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things.
You reveal your salvation in all the world

by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.
Through your Holy Spirit
you give us a share in your life and love.
Fill us with the vision of your glory,
that we may always serve and praise you,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

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

Psalm 29 (sung) *Tune: St. Thomas*

Ascribe to God, you gods,
Ascribe glory and might;
Ascribe the glory due his Name,
Worship in holy light.

God's voice is on the deep,
His thunder rolls on high;
The Lord is on the water-floor,
God's voice a mighty cry.

God's voice breaks mighty trees,
Tall cedars of great worth;
They writhe and leap like mountain sheep,
God's voice shakes all the earth.

God's voice splits flames of fire,
God's voice shakes desert sands;
God's voice makes oak trees shake and strips
The leaves from forest stands.

Within God's temple all
Cry "Glory!" and adore;
The Lord sits throned above the flood
As King for ever more.

Second Reading Romans 8:12-17

> So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing

witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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

- **Gradual Hymn:** **390**

(vss. 1 & 2 before the Gospel, vss. 3 & 4 after the Gospel)

Holy Gospel — John 3:1-17

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.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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** **334**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Living God,
receive all we offer you this day.
Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit,
we may share in your divine life.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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**
- **Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

- **Breaking of the Bread 2** **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** **61, 161**

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

- **Prayer after Communion**

Almighty and eternal God,
may we who have received this eucharist
worship you in all we do,
and proclaim the glory of your majesty.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

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

The Blessing

- **Recessional Hymn** **628**

Dismissal

Postlude

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.

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.

PINT & A PASSAGE: EVERY 2ND TUES 7:00 p.m. (Next: June 4)

Join the conversation about the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday at Rob Roy's. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Is looking for donations of: buttons (old buttons, new buttons, button jars), pipe cleaners (all colours), containers (latch lid or snap top clear totes or tubs in 8 ½ x 11 or similar sizes for storage). We want to improve our storage organization and we have a lot of resources, so we need lots of containers to make it work. Also … paper for colouring (old computer paper, newsprint, construction paper, old sketch pads). We don't mind paper that has some marking on one side. With thanks for the continued love and support of St John's congregation members. *Emily, Nancy, Hope.*

GAMES NIGHT

Friday, June 7, 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 available to choose from. Please contact Laura Porter if you have any questions.

MAY PRAY K7A

Hot on the heals of Pentecost, we will gather again on Sunday May 26th 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

(May 26th at 7pm) we'll gather at the Mississippi Mills - Rideau Lakes Salvation Army (251 Brockville St, Smiths Falls). 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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The decision to form a music ministry leadership team was made at a recent meeting of parishioners expressing interest in expanding the music program at St. John's. Those present endorsed a group of seven persons, (Father Thomas; John Wanless; Pat Lee; Carol McNabb; Trish Warren; Laura Porter; and Karen Bryan) to initiate discussions about direction, collaboration and special events (including 175th celebrations). The team welcomes your input as it begins planning over the next few months!

COMMUNITY GARDEN INITIATIVE

There will be a public meeting on June 4th at 7 PM in the parish hall to assess interest in establishing a community garden on the lawn in front of the parish hall. This meeting is for information gathering only. This is being carried out in partnership with the Smiths Falls Food Hub (Ramsay Hart) in response to the high level of food insecurity in our town, and our expressed desire to share God's love with our community. You are welcome to attend and share your thoughts and input.
For more information on local food insecurity:
https://healthunit.org/healthinformation/healthy-eating/

BOOK STUDY

"This Sacred Life" Humanity's Place in a Wounded World, by Norman Wirzba. Four one-hour online sessions, plus in-person gathering with author. Starting May 26, 2024. An Ecumenical and community-oriented discussion, hosted by Zion-Memorial Carleton Place and Windstone Farm Linlathen. Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer, St. John the Evangelist, Smiths Falls. For more information: LinlathenLectures@gmail.com.

AN ECOLOGY OF HOPE

An evening of song, story and ponderances. Free evening event with author, Norman Wirzba and musician and recording artist, Steve Bell, Thursday, June 20, 2024, 7:30 p.m., Zion-Memorial Church, Carleton Place. All are welcome.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE
We are looking for volunteers to form a committee to manage the on-going maintenance needs of the Church. Please contact the Church office if this interests you. It is our hope that the first meeting of the committee will take place the third week of June.

Presiding Celebrant Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Reader: Donna Howard
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Chris Silvermoon-Cutler
Greeters: Ron Watt & Doreen Watt
Readings for next Sunday, June 2, 2024
1 Sam 3:1-10, (11-20); Ps 139:1-5, 12-17; 2 Cor 4:5-12; Mk 2:23--3

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Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.* – Wednesdays 10 a.m.
*Sunday School offered at 10 a.m. from September – June

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