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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 20th, 2025 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

PRAISE 365 Glory to God on High 1 Glo God on high, and peace to all on earth. to ry Sav - iour, Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son, 2 Our are the Lord. You on - ly are most high. 3 You on - ly 9: King. wor-ship you, we give you thanks, our heaven - ly We sac - ri - fi - cial Lamb, who saves the world from sin, the Christ. ho - ly one, Lord Je - sus You on - ly are the 9: praise, al - might God and We give you the Fa ther's Lord. Be - side have mer - ...cy with with Fa ther And now you reign ... and 9: -C .. O glo bright. Fa ther blessed in ry 1 prayer. hand en throned, now hear our light. Spir it one in glo rious a. 0

Prelude

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The Gloria

Sung as printed here.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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

Amos 8:1-12

This is what the Lord God showed me - a basket of summer fruit. He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the Lord said to me, "The end has come upon my people Israel; I will never again pass them by. The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day," says the Lord God; "the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!" Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practise deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt? On that day, says the Lord God, I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day. The time is surely coming, says the Lord God, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from 4

north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, but they shall not find it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 52

I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness against the godly all day long?

You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, O worker of deception.

You love evil more than good and lying more than speaking the truth.

You love all words that hurt, O you deceitful tongue.

Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living!

The righteous shall see and tremble, and they shall laugh at him, saying, "This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness."

But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever. I will give you thanks for what you have done and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

Second Reading

Colossians 1:15-28

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 28 by Owen Alstott, OCP, 1990.



Holy Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

Gospeller: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Gospeller:The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to LukeAll:Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

O God, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Help us in all we do to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice; through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Sanctus (sung)



Acclamation



The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; Your kingdom come; Your will be done On earth, as in heav'n. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are yours; Now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread 4

Celebrant: I am the bread, which has come down from heaven, says the Lord

All: Give us this bread forever

Celebrant: 'I am the vine, you are the branches' **All: May we dwell in him, as he lives in us**



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 (see insert)	Beginnings
Hymn after Communion (see insert)	Beginnings
Prayer after Communion	
O God, as we are strengthened in these holy mysteries, may our lives be a continual offering, holy and acceptable in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM SMITHS FALLS FOOD BANK:

"Thank you St. John's! A thank you has been received from our local Smiths Falls food bank for our generous donation of 106 pounds of food. St. John's continues its tradition of giving and caring. Kudos to contributors, collectors, and deliverers. You are appreciated."

PRAYER TEAM

Philippians 4:6 - Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

This is a follow-up to the insert in our bulletin regarding our prayer lists. We would like to start a team of people praying for a list of those with ongoing needs. Anyone with any level of prayer experience could comfortably pray in their own home.

If you wish to join this integral and powerful ministry, please call the Church office to leave your name and contact information.

PRAY K7A

As the summer continues, we're hoping for good weather on the last Sunday of July. As you know, 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 each month. This month, July 27th at 7:00 pm, we'll gather at First Baptist Church, 73 Beckwith Street North. The plan is to meet at the church, and then share in a prayer walk through the town as we pray God's blessing, healing, forgiveness, and the joy of the Gospel on Smiths Falls.

FALL BAZAAR

If you have donations for the upcoming Bazaar in the fall, which will be held on **Saturday, October 18, 2025**, between 11am to 2pm, we would appreciate it if you would hold on to them for a while. We cannot store donations in the hall basement due to mold. We are presently looking for storage places and will announce when we are able to accept your donations. Thank you.

SMITHS FALLS FOOD BANK

Collection baskets are at the North and South doors of the Church. They will be collected after the third Sunday of each month, and delivered to the Food Bank. Any questions, contact Debbie Lewis at 613. 284.6111.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Greeters, Readers and Intercessors needed for both the 8 AM and 10 AM services. If you are able to help out with this vital and rewarding ministry, please let the office know, and Rev. Thomas will schedule a training day in early September 2025.

"ST. JOHN'S TODAY" – NEWSLETTER

We will be providing print and electronic copies of the newsletter. If you wish to receive an electronic copy, please provide your e-mail address on the sheets located in the Canterbury Room and at the North Entrance. You may also call the Church Office 613.283.1261 or e-mail, stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com to be placed on the e-mail list.

ALTAR GUILD FLOWER FUND THANK YOU

We would like to add a great "thank you" to say how grateful we are for the kind donations to the flower fund that we have received so far. Plus, a grand "thank you" to Carl, who continues to give us his beautiful flowers from his garden to place on the altar. If you wish to donate to the flower fund, please either call the office, or place the money on the collection plate in an envelope marked 'flower fund'. Any questions please contact Debbie Lewis at 613.284.6111.

Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Canon Jim Roberts Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer Communion Assistants: Mike McCulloch/Donna Howard Reader/Intercessor: Andrew Howard Greeters: Gail Brennan & Linda Coleman Altar Guild: Debbie Lewis & Ila Bennett Organist: Sterling Bennett Readings for next Sunday, July 27, 2025 ~ HOS 1:2-10; PSALM 85; COLOSSIANS 2:6-15; LUKE 11:1-13

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