

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH
Diocese of Ottawa



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 3rd, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

You are welcome to participate in smudging as you enter the church to worship. Smudging is a sign of purification and peace offered to anyone who would like to participate. When the weather is too difficult to offer smudging outdoors – and at any time that you are in the church building, liquid smudge is now offered (the medicines are steeped in distilled water and sprayed as a mist). Dry smudge is always available with the sacred medicines – tobacco, sage, sweetgrass, and cedar – as you enter the church. Rub the medicines in your hands and place them in the shell bowl; after use these will be respectfully burned. St John's is grateful to Indigenous members of our community for offering smudging.

PRELUDE Es ist das Heil uns kommen her (Salvation Now has Come for All), BuxWV 186 - Dietrich Buxtehude

HYMN 577 God of Grace and God of Glory [Rhuddlan]

WELCOME

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Dear friends, we gather this day on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Nation.

May we always dwell on this land with respect and peace.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem.

I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with.

I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity.

So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun,

because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.

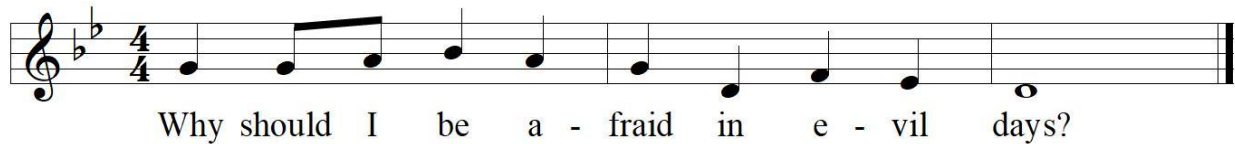
What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun?

For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 49:1-12



Hear this, all you peoples;
hearken, all you who dwell in the world,
you of high degree
and low, rich and poor together.
My mouth shall speak of wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on under-standing.

I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.
Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods,
and boast of their great riches?

We can never ransom ourselves,
or deliver to God the price of our life;
For the ransom of our life is so great,
that we should never have enough to pay it,
In order to live for ever and ever,
and never see the grave.

For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.
Their graves shall be their homes for ever, their dwelling places from generation to generation,
though they call the lands after their own names.
Even though honoured, they cannot live for ever;
they are like the beasts that perish.

THE SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ,
seek the things that are above, where
Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on earth, for you
have died, and your life is hidden with
Christ in God. When Christ who is your
life is revealed, then you also will be
revealed with him in glory. Put to death,
therefore, whatever in you is earthly:

Du moment que vous êtes ressuscités
avec le Christ, recherchez ce qui est en
haut, là où se trouve le Christ, assis à la
droite de Dieu ; c'est en haut qu'est votre
but, non sur la terre. Vous êtes morts, en
effet, et votre vie est cachée avec le
Christ, en Dieu. Quand le Christ, votre vie,
paraîtra, alors vous aussi, vous paraîtrez
avec lui en pleine gloire. Faites donc
mourir ce qui en vous appartient à la

fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things - anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

terre : débauche, impureté, passion, désir mauvais et cette cupidité, qui est une idolâtrie. Voilà ce qui attire la colère de Dieu, voilà quelle était votre conduite autrefois, ce qui faisait votre vie. Maintenant donc, vous aussi, débarrassez-vous de tout cela : colère, irritation, méchanceté, injures, grossièreté sortie de vos lèvres. Plus de mensonge entre vous, car vous vous êtes dépouillés du vieil homme, avec ses pratiques, et vous avez revêtu l'homme nouveau, celui qui, pour accéder à la connaissance, ne cesse d'être renouvelé à l'image de son créateur ; là, il n'y a plus Grec et Juif, circoncis et incirconcis, barbare, Scythe, esclave, homme libre, mais Christ : il est tout et en tous.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN 528

O God, Our Help in Ages Past [St. Anne]

THE GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

May God be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

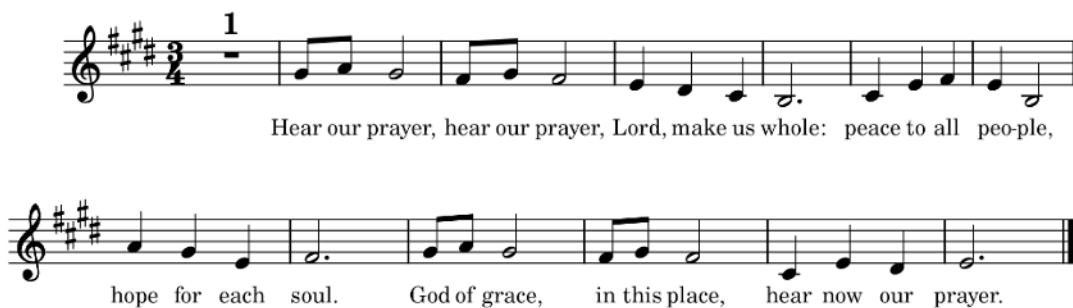
SERMON

THE APOSTLES CREED

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN 507

Blest Be the Tie that Binds [Dennis]

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God our sustainer, accept all we offer you this day, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

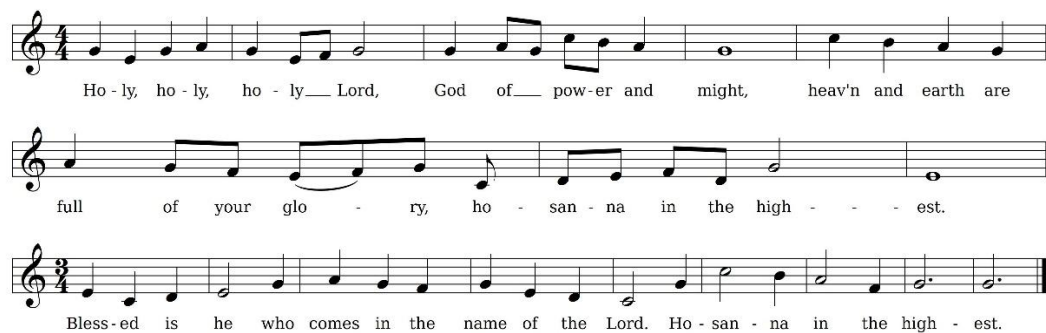
May God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift our hearts to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.



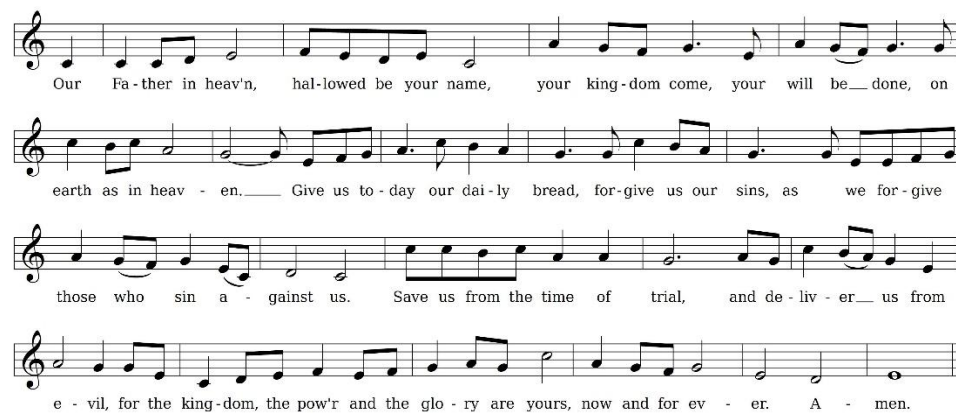
Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me." Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:



Our Fa-ther in heav'n, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on
earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread, for-give us our sins, as we for-give
those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from
e - vil, for the king-dom, the pow'r and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION *Please request a gluten-free wafer if required or a blessing if desired.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, we have shared in the mystery of the body and blood of Christ. May we who have tasted the bread of life live with you for ever. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BLESSINGS

DOXOLOGY

Glory to God, **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 484 In Christ There is no East or West [McKee]

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE In dir ist Freude (In Thee is Gladness), BWV 615 - J. S. Bach

HOSPITALITY

Everyone is invited to stay following the service for refreshments served in the nave.

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