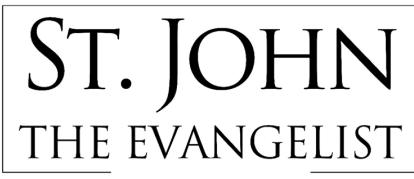
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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Aug 24th, 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.

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

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The Gloria

Sung as printed here.



Collect of the Day

Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; 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

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.'

Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.'

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

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

Psalm 71 Tune:

Richmond

 I find my refuge in you, Lord; Let me not be dismayed; Lord, in your justice set me free, Hear me, come to my aid.

- Be my strong rock, my stronghold, crag, My castle safe, secure;
 Deliver me from wicked hands And from the evildoer.
- You are my confidence, Lord God,
 My hope since I was young;
 And from the womb, since I was born,
 Your praise has been my song.
- Though many see me as a sign,
 You, Lord, have made me strong;
 O let my mouth sing of your praise
 And glory all day long.

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant,

and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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 13:10-17

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

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

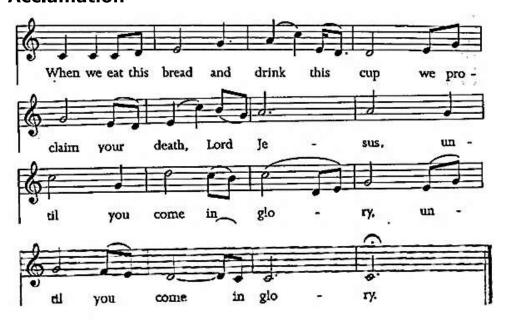
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Sanctus (sung)



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.

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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.

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Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANGES TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

This year, Sunday School will be called **4DFaith Kids**. With a new name, and a fresh spin on encouraging children to delight in their faith, devotion, discernment, and discipleship. We will begin on **September 7** at the 10am service. **Please arrive for 9.30am** to register for the year, and to receive your information packs so that you can know more about the plan for the year, and some changes being made to the way we do things.

THANK YOU, WELCOME, AND WHAT'S NEXT

On **Sunday, 14 September**, following the 10am service, we will be hosting a celebration and discussion. We will be giving thanks to God for the wonderful way in which Sterling has been supporting our music ministry this year. We will be giving thanks to God for the new music ministry support from Wendy Earl who will be joining us as our organist beginning the first Sunday of September. And finally, we will be continuing the discussion about the health of our current organ, and some of the options we might have in response.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING FEAST - Saturday, 15 November

We will be holding a Fall Harvest Potluck and Trivia Night! To make the night even more fun, we're inviting people to bring food they've cooked following recipes found in the St. John's Cookbook *Feeding the Flock* (available for purchase for \$15 each). (Arrive 5pm to eat for 5.30-6. Trivia to follow!) If you're interested, please put your name down on the signup sheet in the Canterbury Room, or outside the church office.

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,

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Cont'd

August 31st **at 7:00 pm**, we'll gather at St. John's Anglican Church, 2 George Street South. 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.

GAMES NIGHT RETURNS - Sept 5th at 5:30pm, Potluck dinner Welcome back to Games Night! We will start with enjoying a potluck dinner at 5:30pm, and after that we will bring out the games. All are welcome to come for the meal or games or both! Bring your friends and family and bring your favourite games to share. There will be a few games provided for anyone to play. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Porter at: Lporter1295@gmail.com.

APPOINTMENTS WITH THOMAS

Looking for a good time to catch Thomas in his office? Starting August 21st, Thomas is going to be available on Thursday afternoons from 1PM to 4PM for appointments or drop-in visits (other times by chance or appointment). Appointments can be booked for Thursday afternoons, through the church office, or you can drop in and, if he is available, have a chat. Emergencies do arise, so it is best to call before an impromptu visit, just to be sure he is in.

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.

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.

Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis/Kathy Porter
Reader/Intercessor: Cindy Penman
Greeters: Linda MacLaren & Faye Moore
Altar Guild: Terri Marsden & Deane Sawchuk
Organist: Sterling Bennett
Readings for next Sunday, Aug 31, 2025 ~

JER 2:4-13; PSALM 81:1,10-16; HEB 13:1-8,15-16; LUKE 14:1,7-14

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Friday 9 a.m. – 12 noon

Weekly Liturgies

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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