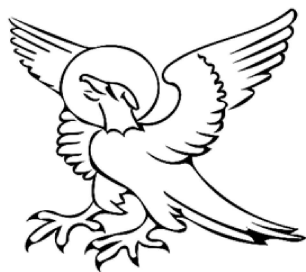


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# ST. JOHN

## THE EVANGELIST

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**Holy Cross Day**  
*Season of Creation*

Sept 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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** – “*Deep River*” (Traditional)

**Announcements**

**Processional  
(Opening) Hymn**  
**410** – “*Creating God,  
Your Fingers Trace*”

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**The Gloria**

*Sung as printed here.*

PRAISE

## 365 Glory to God on High

1 Glo - ry to God on high, and peace to all on earth.  
2 Our Sav - iour, Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
3 You on - ly are the Lord. You on - ly are most high.

We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, our heaven - ly King.  
the sac - ri - fi - cial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,  
You on - ly are the ho - ly one, Lord Je - sus Christ.

We give you praise, al - might - y God and  
have mer - cy Lord. Be - side the Fa - ther's  
And now you reign with Fa - ther and with

Fa - ther blessed in glo - ry bright.  
hand en - throned, now hear our prayer.  
Spir - it one in glo - rious light.

## **Collect of the Day**

Almighty God,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
was lifted high upon the cross  
that he might draw the whole world to himself,  
may we who rejoice in the mystery of our redemption,  
have grace to take up our cross and follow him,  
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 4:11-12,22-**

### **28**

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert towards my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them.

‘For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.’

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.

Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 14



1. The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."  
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.  
The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,  
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God. **Refrain**
2. Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;  
there is none who does good; no, not one.  
Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers  
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?  
**Refrain**

3. See how they tremble with fear,  
because God is in the company of the righteous.  
Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,  
but the Lord is their refuge. **Refrain**
4. Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!  
when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,  
Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad. **Refrain**

## Second Reading

## 1 Timothy 1:12-

### 17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Acclamation

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

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Go and teach all na-tions, says the Lord: I am with you always, until the end of the world.

## Holy Gospel

## Luke 15:1-10

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 all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayers of the People**

**Confession and Absolution**

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**The Peace**

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*People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.*

**Offertory Hymn**  
*Beautiful"*

**415** – *"All Things Bright and*

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Merciful God,  
through the death of your beloved Son  
you transformed an instrument of shame  
into a sign of hope and glory.  
Receive all we offer you this day,  
and renew in us the mystery of his love;  
through the same Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory.  
**Amen.**

**Eucharistic Prayer 3**  
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## Sanctus *(sung)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est.  
Bles - sed is he, O bles - sed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on eight staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

**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

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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**

### We Come Now to Your Table Lord 192

$\text{♩} = 60$  F Gm<sup>7</sup> Dm Gm<sup>7</sup> C<sup>7</sup> F

The musical score is written for piano in 2/4 time with a tempo of 60 beats per minute. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'We come now to your ta-ble Lord, you are the Liv-ing Bread. We come now to your ta-ble Lord, let ev'-ry soul be fed. You are the Liv-ing Bread, let ev'-ry soul be fed: and now may ev'-ry soul be fed with Liv-ing Bread.' The chords are indicated above the treble staff: F, Gm<sup>7</sup>, Dm, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C<sup>7</sup>, F, Gm<sup>7</sup>, Dm, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C<sup>7</sup>, F, Gm, F, Gm, C, F, Gm, Dm, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C<sup>7</sup>, F.

We come now to your ta-ble Lord, you are the Liv-ing Bread. We

come now to your ta-ble Lord, let ev'-ry soul be fed. You

are the Liv-ing Bread, let ev'-ry soul be fed: and

now may ev'-ry soul be fed with Liv-ing Bread.

## 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

**77** – *"In the Garden"*

**67** – *"God of All Time"*

## Hymn after Communion

**74** – *"For the Bread"*

## Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,  
we give thanks that you have made us partakers  
of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who took our nature upon him  
and suffered death upon the cross for our redemption;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## Doxology

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## The Blessing

## Recessional Hymn

**423** – *"How Great Thou*

*Art"*

## Dismissal

## Postlude – *"Amazing Grace"* (arr. Young)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE/BOOK STUDY** is ready to go. We will start up on **Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7.15pm via Zoom** - reading and discussing "An Altar in the World" by Barbara Brown Taylor. Please pick up or order your own copy. Let the Church office know if you would like to participate, and Dan Willis will send the Zoom co-ordinates to you. We very much look forward to you joining us for this meaningful and spiritual growth that we experience as we share and learn together. Plus, it is a lot of fun!!

**MUSIC SERIES, PART I** – St. John's will host the first of two, fall, music concerts on **Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. Stephen Palmer will perform original and traditional folk songs interspersed with gospel sing-alongs. Steve has toured extensively, produced 5 albums, and has been inducted into the Edmonton Music Hall of Fame. Tickets are \$20 in advance from the church office or Karen Bryan and will be available for \$25 at the door. Free admission for children under 13 years of age! Please join us for this joyful, family-friendly event. A portion of the proceeds will go towards our organ replacement fund. Light refreshments at a nominal cost (because it's a fundraiser!) will be available. For further information, contact Karen Bryan or Trish Warren.

### **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. **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.

### **BOOKS FOR SALE**

We have copies of the "A Talk to St. John the Evangelist Church" history book, as well as copies of the cookbook "Feeding the Flock" available for purchase. The history book is **\$6** and the cookbook is **\$15**. These books are located at the north entrance, Canterbury Room, and from the office. Envelopes are available for your payment on the tables at all entrances. Please keep in mind that the cookbook would be a great source of recipes to be used for our

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – Cont'd**

upcoming Harvest Thanksgiving Feast contribution, that we will be holding on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **GAMES NIGHT– Oct 3rd at 5:30pm**

Everyone welcome! We will start with enjoying a meal together at 5:30pm, and after that we will bring out the games. All are welcome to come for the meal or games or both! Main course will be provided - food contributions are always welcome. There is a free-will offering available to cover the cost of the food. 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](mailto:Lporter1295@gmail.com).

### **FALL BAZAAR**

Our Fall Bazaar is scheduled for **Saturday, October 18, 2025**, between 11am and 2pm. Your donations for the Bazaar can be dropped off at the Church Hall during office hours. If you have any questions regarding your donations, please contact Louise Sherry at 613.284.1923, or email Louise at: [suntigersherry@gmail.com](mailto:suntigersherry@gmail.com).

### **HARVEST THANKSGIVING FEAST - Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**

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.

### **APPOINTMENTS WITH THOMAS**

Looking for a good time to catch Thomas in his office? 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.

**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 late September or early October 2025.

Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer  
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer  
Communion Assistants: Mike McCullough/Donna Howard  
Reader/Intercessor: Trish Warren  
Greeters: Gail Brennan & Linda Coleman  
Altar Guild: Debbie Lewis & Ila Bennett  
Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl  
Readings for next Sunday, Sept 21, 2025 ~  
JER 8:18—9:1; PS 79:1-9; TIM 2:1-7; LUKE 16:1-13

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Thursday 1 – 4 p.m.  
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

The Most Reverend Shane A. D. Parker – Bishop & Primate

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