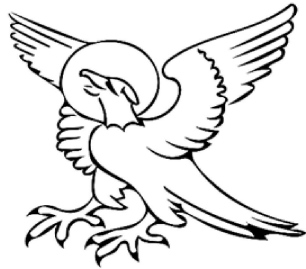


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ST. JOHN

THE EVANGELIST

SMITHS FALLS | 175 YEARS | 1849-2024



**Fifteenth Sunday
after Pentecost**
Season of Creation

Sung Eucharist ~ 10 a.m.
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Sept 21st, 2025

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

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**Processional
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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,
you have created the heavens and the earth,
and ourselves in your image.
Teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Jeremiah

8:18—9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her? ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 79



O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;
they have profaned your holy temple;
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds
of the air,
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
They have shed their blood like water on every side of
Jerusalem,
and there was no one to bury them. **Refrain**

We have become a reproach to our neighbours,
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
How long will you be angry, O Lord?
Will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.

Refrain

For they have devoured Jacob
and made his dwelling a ruin.
Remember not our past sins;
let your compassion be swift to meet us;
for we have been brought very low.
Help us, O God our Saviour, for the glory of your Name;
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake. **Refrain**

Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-

7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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 16:1-13

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

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

619 – “Fairest Lord Jesus”

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

God of power,
the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe.
Accept our offering this day,
and help us to live in peace and harmony
with all your creation,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases ending in a half note. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line on the eighth staff.

Acclamation



Celebrant There-fore, Father, according to his com-mand,



All we re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion, we a-wait his com-ing in glo - ry;

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 Gm⁷ Dm Gm⁷ C⁷ 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 indicated above the staff are: F, Gm⁷, Dm, Gm⁷, C⁷, F, Gm⁷, Dm, Gm⁷, C⁷, F, F, Dm, Gm, F, Gm, C, F, F, Gm, Dm, Gm⁷, C⁷, F.

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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 (*see insert*) "Beginnings"

Way Maker, Just As I Am

Hymn after Communion (*see insert*) "Beginnings"

Go Now in Peace

Prayer after Communion

Ruler of the universe,
all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son.
May we who have shared in holy things
grow into maturity in him.
This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 458 – "*Seek Ye First*"

Dismissal

Postlude – "*Voluntary V*" (*Stanley*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAY K7A

Join us as we as Christians gather from across the Smiths Falls area to pray for the town, townships, and villages, to sing praise to God, and to encourage each other each month. This month, **Sunday, September 28th, at 7pm**, we'll gather at Independent Assemblies of God Church, 54 William St. W. 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 Fall.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE/BOOK STUDY is ready to go. We will start up on **Monday, September 29th, 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!!

GAMES NIGHT– October 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.

MUSIC SERIES, PART I – St. John's will host the first of two, fall, music concerts on **Saturday, October 4th 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

ANNOUCEMENTS – Cont'd

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

FALL BAZAAR

Our Fall Bazaar is scheduled for **Saturday, October 18th, 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.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING FEAST - Saturday, November 15th

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: Kevin Lewis/Pat Lee

Reader/Intercessor: Donna Howard

Greeters: Carl Young & Beryl Young

Altar Guild: Debbie Lewis & Ila Bennett

Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl

Readings for next Sunday, Sept 28, 2025 ~

JER 32:1-3a,6-15; PS 91:1-6,14-16;1 TIM 6:6-19; LUKE 16:19-31

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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

The Reverend Dr. Thomas Brauer, Presiding Celebrant & Preacher
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