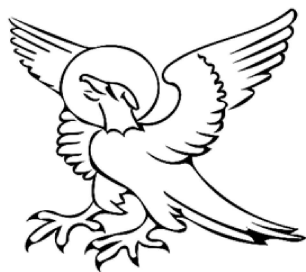


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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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**Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost**
Season of Creation

Sung Eucharist ~ 10 a.m.
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Sept 28th, 2025

Welcome to the Church of St. John the Evangelist

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.



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.

Every year, the Anglican Church of Canada acknowledges and marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. We do this in two ways: by giving thanks to God for the gifts given to all people through the Indigenous peoples of Canada and by acknowledging (and repenting) that our Anglican Church of Canada has participated in acts of oppression and cultural and spiritual destruction. We look forward in hope to walking the path of reconciliation in our Church and in the world. We open today's service by praying:

Creator God, from you every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying

together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Jesus Christ, who is our light and our life. Amen.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude – "O Tempo"
(arr Earl)

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Had Yet Begun" (Tune 70)**

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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

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church,
being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one,
may show forth your power among all peoples,
to the glory of your name; 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 32:1-3a,6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, 'Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it.

Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the

open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalms 91

531 *"You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"*

Begin with Refrain.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring

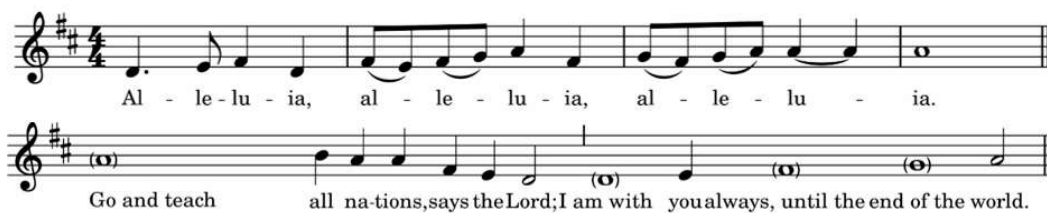
about at the right time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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 16:19-31

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

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger

with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God,
in Jesus Christ we behold your glory.
Receive the offering of your people gathered before you,
and open our hearts and mouths
to praise your great salvation,
the same 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.

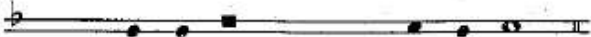
Bles-sed is he, O bles-sed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -


san - na in the high - est. Ho -

san - na in the high - est.

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

♩ = 60 F Gm⁷ Dm Gm⁷ C⁷ F

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

F Gm⁷ Dm Gm⁷ C⁷ F

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

F Dm Gm F Gm C F

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

F Gm Dm Gm⁷ C⁷ F

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

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 60. The first system has a treble staff with a melody and a bass staff with a harmonic accompaniment. Chords are indicated above the treble staff: F, Gm7, Dm, Gm7, C7, and F. The lyrics are 'We come now to your ta-ble Lord, you are the Liv-ing Bread. We'. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment with the same chord sequence. The lyrics are 'come now to your ta-ble Lord, let ev' - ry soul be fed. You'. The third system has a different chord sequence: F, Dm, Gm, F, Gm, C, and F. The lyrics are 'are the Liv-ing Bread, let ev' - ry soul be fed: and'. The fourth system returns to the first chord sequence: F, Gm, Dm, Gm7, C7, and F. The lyrics are '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

48 – *"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"*

66 – *"And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love"*

Hymn after Communion

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"For The Bread Which You have Broken"

Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven,
strengthen the unity of your Church,
so that we who have been fed with holy things
may fulfil your will in the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Doxology

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

393 – *"Immortal, Invisible"*

Dismissal

Postlude – "Solace" (Joplin)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAY K7A

This evening, **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!! If you have any questions or you'd like a little more information, please call Sue Norman at: 613.283.5053.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Cont'd

fundraiser!) will be available. For further information, contact Karen Bryan or Trish Warren.

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.

A note from Wendy Stokes-Earl, Organist:

"Thank you all so much for your very warm welcome, cheerful smiles, willingness to sing unknown hymn tunes, and cake. And, the flowers looked wonderful. If you have any requests for tunes, hymns, or songs, please let me know. If I can find it, we can do it. Thank you again, Wendy."

Let us pray for whomever God might call to become the next
Bishop of Ottawa, and pray for those who carry those
responsibilities in the meantime.

Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Preacher: Rev. Canon Jim Roberts
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis/Kathy Porter
Reader/Intercessor: Cindy Penman
Greeters: Linda MacLaren & Faye Moore
Altar Guild: Kathy Porter & Lois Arkell
Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl
Readings for next Sunday, Oct 5, 2025 ~
LAM 1:1-6; PS 137;2 TIM 1:1-14; LUKE 17:5-10

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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

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