



St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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October 19, 2025
10:00 a.m. Family Eucharist
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Book of Common Prayer Service

Celebrant: The Reverend Christine Rowe

St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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WELCOME

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. We ask that you please turn all cell phones and other electronic devices to silent or "off". Thank you.

After the service, we invite everyone (especially newcomers!) to join us for coffee or tea, and visit our Welcome Table downstairs in the Lounge. This is a place where you can learn more about the various activities and groups here at St. John's, find contact information, ways to get involved and have fun! We look forward to getting to know you better!

The Anglican Church

As Anglicans we believe that God is eternal, the earth maker, the pain bearer, the life giver; source of all that is and shall be; father and mother of us all. We learn that God is one, yet revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer - a Holy Trinity.

We believe that Christians learn about God in the Bible, in the teaching of the Church summed up in the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, and through sharing in the living community of faith. We believe Jesus Christ was incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. We are an Apostolic Church, meaning that Bishops are a part of our leadership and we can trace our line of Bishops back to the 12 Apostles.

As Anglicans we get to know God by God's initiative in our thinking and understanding: by experiencing and reflecting on the wonder and mystery of creation, birth and death, love, forgiveness and the need to find meaning and worth beyond ourselves.

Everyone is welcome at St. John's, whether you were raised Anglican, or followed another faith, or you have no faith background at all. We hope you find what you are looking for in our service today.

Our Service Today

This liturgy (the words we say in the service) comes from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and is the traditional Anglican liturgy. We have one BCP service each month at St. John's.

As we proceed through the service, this bulletin will help you recognize when to stand and when to sit, when to speak and when to sing, when to pray silently and when to pray aloud. We invite you to read aloud with us anytime the bulletin says **People**.

Chapel Candles

At any time during the service, you are welcome to prayerfully light a candle in the chapel in honour of a loved one, or in a prayer of concern.

Ministering today at our 10:00 a.m. service:

Celebrant: The Reverend Christine Rowe

Liturgical Assistant / Preacher: Jill Parsons, Chaplain

Crucifer and Altar Server: Hazel Breakey
Choir Director: Christie Smith
Galina Martyniouk

Readers: Naomi Madisa, John Spender

Intercessor: Alison Brookfield

Eucharistic Administrators: Bob Hardy, Farid Madisa

Welcome Table: Alison Brookfield Greeter: Farid Madisa

Flowers in the Sanctuary

The official Flower Calendar is in the Narthex. Please sign up for the Sunday that you would like to donate Altar Flowers, even if you signed up somewhere else previously. If you have any questions, please contact Donna in the office.

The Offertory Plate sits at the back of the church:

We do not "pass the plate" at St. John's. We invite you to place your donation on the Offertory Plate at the back of the church anytime. During the Offertory Hymn the plate is brought forward to the altar.

Your thoughtful and generous gifts to St. John's enable our worship and ministries to our community. One-time or recurring donations can be made by visiting our website www.stjohnnv.ca, or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone.



Prelude & Announcements

Three bells are rung.

Processional Hymn - Be Thou My Vision

We stand for the processional hymn, as the ministry team enters the sanctuary.

Territorial Acknowledgement

Priest We acknowledge with respect that we worship on the

traditional territories of the Squamish - Mother of the Wind, the Tsleil-Waututh - People of the Inlet, and the Musqueam - People of the River Grass. Let us pray that we may live more

deeply into the calls to action from Canada's Truth and

Reconciliation Commission.

People May the living Christ lead us all on pathways of

reconciliation and peace. Amen

The Gathering of the Community

Priest The Lord be with you;

People And with thy spirit.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open,

all desires known,

and from whom no secrets are hid:

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the

inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,

and worthily magnify thy holy Name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel,

The Lord our God is one Lord;

and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,

and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind,

and with all thy strength.

This is the first and great commandment.

Priest And the second is like unto it:

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

On these two commandments hang

all the Law and the Prophets.

People Lord, have mercy upon us,

(sung) and write both these thy laws in our hearts,

we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect

Priest Almighty and everliving God:

People increase in us your gift of faith,

that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before,

we may run the way of your commandments

and win the crown of everlasting joy;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading: Read by Naomi Madisa.

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Jeremiah 31:27-34

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:97-104

Please remain seated as we sing the Psalm together.

The Second Reading: Read by John Spender.

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed. knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficieint. equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn - Seek Ye First

Before the reading of the Gospel, we sing the first verse of the Gradual Hymn. Please stand for the Gradual Hymn and the Gospel if you are able.

Three bells will be rung before the Gospel is read. We turn to face the Liturgical Assistant as they read the Gospel from the centre of the sanctuary. Then we sing the last part of the Gospel Hymn facing the altar.

Three bells are rung

The Gospel - Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Liturgical Assistant The Lord be with you. **People**And with thy spirit.

Liturgical Assistant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,

according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Luke 18:1-8

Liturgical Assistant The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel, we sing the last verse of the Gradual Hymn.

Please be seated.

Sermon The Reverend Christine Rowe

Time for Reflection

Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able as we say the creed together.

Priest I believe in one God,

People The Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

Begotten of the Father before all worlds:

God, of God; Light, of Light;

Very God, of very God;

Begotten, not made;

Being of one substance with the Father;

Through whom all things were made:

Who for us humans and for our salvation

came down from heaven,

and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,

and was made human,

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried,

And the third day he rose again

according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.

And he shall come again with glory

to judge both the quick and the dead:

Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost,

the Lord, The Giver of Life,

who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together

is worshipped and glorified,

Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,

and the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People - O Lord, Hear My Prayer

You are invited to sit, kneel, or stand, whichever is most comfortable for you for the prayers of the people.

The Church: We pray for Archbishop John Stephens our Metropolitan, and Archbishop Shane Parker, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada. We pray for Archbishop Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and Presiding Elder of the Sacred Circle. Also, we pray for Patrick our Priest, and for our Celebrant today, the Reverend Christine Rowe. For Jill in her discernment, work and studies to become an Anglican Priest. For St. Hildegard's Sanctuary at St Faith, Vancouver – The Reverend Melanie Calabrigo; The children and youth of our church, and those ministries by, with and for them: The Diocesan Youth Movement and parish youth leaders. For Primate Brent Alawas, Bishop Benny Lang-akan and the Clergy and People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines. Our companion parish, St. John the Evangelist Mission and Outstations, Pasnadan, The Reverend Tristan Bati-el.

The Local Community: City & District of North Vancouver, Queen Mary Community School, Lookout Housing and Health Society of the North Shore.

The World: Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land

O God of all justice and peace, we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land. Be with those who need you in these days of suffering we pray for people of all faiths – Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land. While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end of violence and the establishment of peace, we also call to you to bring justice and equality to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people Are treated with dignity and honour as your children – for to all of us you are our Heavenly Father. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

-Archbishop Hosam March 2024

Those in Need: For those who are sick, hospitalized and in need of our prayers. This week, our prayers are requested especially for these members and friends of our St. John's faith community: Laurie Stringer, Mir and his family, Madeline Cooper, Celia, Patrick, Simon Drake, Dianne McLatchie

The Dearly Departed: We pray for Yvonne Michael and her daughter Lynne as they mourn the passing of Yvonne's son, Craig Michael. We pray for all who have passed on from this life and live forever in our hearts.

In Thanksgiving: In our cycle of prayer, we pray for these members of our faith community: Doug and Mariette MacLeod, Naomi and Farid Madisa, Margaret Mainwaring, Peri Mainwaring, Galina Martyniouk, and their families.

The Confession

Priest

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Priest

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing of The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The members of the community may greet each other in the name of the Lord. Most people will simply smile and say "Peace be with you".

The Offertory

The Offertory Plate can be found at the back of the church by the double doors, and you may place your donation there anytime before or during the service. Your thoughtful and generous gifts enable our worship and ministry to our community and the world. We sincerely thank you.

We stand for the Offertory Hymn. After the Offertory Hymn, the Offertory Plate will be presented to the altar.

Offertory Hymn - Praise to the Lord

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

The liturgical assistants set the Altar and prepare the gifts of bread and wine for the Eucharist. The Offertory Plate, that holds our donations for the needs and responsibilities of the Church, is then brought forward to be blessed before the Altar.

The Doxology

People (sung) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Prayer Over the Gifts

Priest Eternal God,

People your word inspires our faith.

May we who offer you our praise

trust you in all things.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Please remain standing as you are able.

Eucharistic Prayer (BCP)

Priest The Lord be with you; **People And with thy spirit.**

Priest Lift up your hearts;

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

People It is meet and right so to do.

Priest It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,

that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father,

Almighty, Everlasting God,

Creator and Preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

according to whose most true promise thou dost pour forth thy Spirit upon us,

filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth:

who dost give us power to proclaim

the gospel to all nations

and to serve thee as a royal priesthood.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

People (sung) Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest.

Priest Blessing and glory and thanksgiving

be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son

Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him,

Priest

and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

(sanctus bells are rung)

Priest

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he broke it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

(sanctus bells are rung)

Priest

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins:

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

(sanctus bells are rung)

Priest

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion;

And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen. People (sung) O Lamb of God,

that takest away the sin of the world,

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,

that takest away the sin of the world,

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,

that takest away the sin of the world,

grant us thy peace.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

People We, being many, are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

The Communion

Priest The Gifts of God, for the people of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Please be seated as the Communion is prepared.

All who love God and desire Christ are welcome to receive communion. Glutenfree wafers are available. Please let the Eucharistic Administrator know if you wish to receive one. Please note intinction, (dipping the bread into the wine), is not permitted.

Communion Hymns

- Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am
- Now, To Your Table Spread
- Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

The Eucharistic administrators will first serve Communion to the choir. Then they will stand at the front of the church and the congregation will come forward in two lines down the centre aisle to take Communion. If you want to come forward for a blessing, please line up for the minister and cross your arms over your chest.

Priest Takes Communion

After the congregation has been served, the priest takes Communion at the altar, saying the following.

Priest: The body of Christ, food for our journey.

The blood of Christ, the cup of love.

And now I invite you here, and you at home, to put your hand over your heart and accept the communion of God.

People Amen.

The communion hymns continue as the Liturgical Assistants clear the altar.

Please stand as you are able.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us,

we are bold to say:

People Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive them that trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

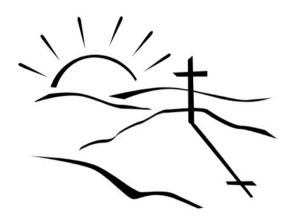
Three bells are rung

Recessional Hymn - Let Streams of Living Justice

Dismissal

Liturgical Assistant Words of dismissal **People Thanks be to God.**

There is a brief musical postlude for those who wish to stay.



Thank you for blessing us with your presence today.

Please do join us downstairs in the Lounge
for our tea and coffee fellowship.

Faithful Friends

Activity Page for Any Age

The Labyrinth at St. John's

Have you ever noticed the Labyrinth drawn on the concrete just outside the church office. The Labyrinth is like a winding journey. As you enter the labyrinth at the opening, you follow the circular path back and forth, until you reach the middle. While you walk in, and while you walk out, you pray. Have you ever walked the Labyrinth? How long did it take?

Music
Which hymns spoke of being thankful?
Word Fun
How many words can you create from letters in the word: PENTECOST

Draw a Picture

One thing we are thankful for in Autumn is the colours of the leaves. They change from green to beautiful yellows, oranges, and browns. Draw an autumn leaf.