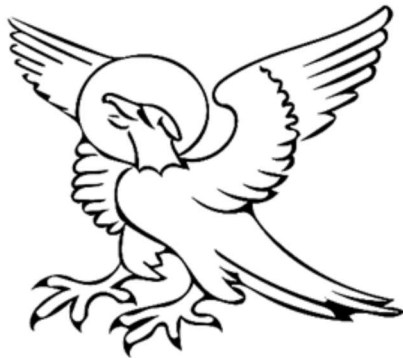


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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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***Twenty-Third
Sunday
After Pentecost***

Nov 16th, 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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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 sent your Son Jesus Christ
to be the light of the world.
Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us,
and bring us to eternal light and joy;
through the power of him
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

Isaiah 65:17-

25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while

they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm – *Song of Thanksgiving* (see insert)

Tune 374

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

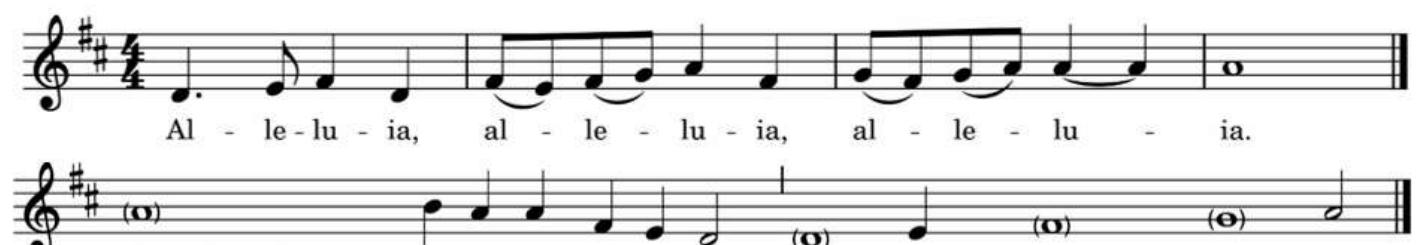
Now we command you, beloved in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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 21:5-19

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my

name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

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.

Offertory Hymn

178 – "Restore in Us, O God"

Tune 350

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God,
in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant.
Help us, through our offering this day,
to renounce all things that draw us from your love.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

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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.



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 2

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

All: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

We Come Now to Your Table Lord 192

$\text{♩} = 60$ 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 vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 2/4. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 60. 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, Dm, Gm, F, Gm, C, F, Gm, Dm, Gm⁷, C⁷, F.

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

431 – *"Take Up Your Cross"*

439 – *"Blest Are the Pure in Heart"*

Hymn after Communion

74 – *"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"*

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God,
in this sacrament
we have shared the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have been nourished by holy things
bear witness to his light,
and share in his eternal priesthood;
for he is Lord for ever and ever.
Amen.

Doxology

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn – **430** – *"Will You Come and Follow Me?"*

Dismissal

Postlude – “*Fantasia on*” (Wilson)

Tune: Old

Hundredth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gluten free Wafers Available – We have gluten free wafers available for anyone who is looking for this option. Please advise the priest at communion.

NEW, Mid-Week Coffee Hour! Wednesdays at 11:00am –

Everyone is welcome to join our additional coffee hour where we can enjoy great coffee and fellowship. All are welcome! If you love coffee, if you like coffee, if you don't like coffee, please come out!

We are excited to see how the Holy Spirit works in this new fellowship time. We hope new friendships are formed and positive connections are made.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Porter or Thomas.

Christmas Choir - For those of you that love Christmas music, take the opportunity to join the Christmas Choir. This group will sing for 8 weeks, and then go to the TGIE (thank goodness it's Epiphany party). Practices are held **Friday and Saturday mornings at 10am**. For further information or to sign up, please contact Wendy at: w.wearl@hotmail.com.

"Masters in the Hall ~ Celtic Music for Christmastime" will be the next in our concert series at St. John's. Mark **Saturday, December 6th (7 - 9 pm)** in your calendars to enjoy this group which has performed at the National Arts Centre. The Castle Trio, accomplished musicians all, will bring to life festive music in the Celtic tradition. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children, ages 12 and under. **Beginning November 3rd**, they can be purchased online at: <https://www.justinkylesusan.ca/> or from Laura in the parish office and members of the Music Ministry Team and Parish Council. Join us for this toe-tapping time which is also a fundraiser for our organ purchase! Contact Karen Bryan or Trish Warren for information.

Games Night (first Friday of the month) – December 5th at 5.30pm – Potluck dinner, St. John's Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us for a potluck meal and stay for some games and crafts. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Porter at: lporter1295@gmail.com.

New Welcoming Process – Individual Lanyards – We will be implementing a new welcoming procedure for all greeters, commencing the next service. Please pick up your name tag from the basket on the table in the Canterbury Room when you arrive, and return it to the basket after the service (before you leave).

Pastoral Care Request UPDATE regarding the Christmas gift bags, gift cards and cookies. We have received enough gift bags for this year. Thank you to all who have given us the bags.

We have changed out gifts this year to more money going into the gift cards and less into the actual gifts. We will give gift cards (using the \$2,000.00 from the Outreach Committee) to those at Shardon Manor and Victoria House.

We **still need**: Christmas cards (by Nov. 23) and lots of cookies (by Dec. 7th), and we will also need your help on the following two occasions:

1. **Sunday Nov 23rd after the 10am service** to assemble the 42 cookie boxes plus write personal messages in the 80 Christmas cards; and
2. **Wednesday Dec 10 at 6.30pm** in the hall to pack the 42 cookie boxes.

This outreach is from ALL OF U at St. John's so please consider helping out on one or both of these times. We so very much appreciate your help.

PRAY K7A

As the fall continues, we're hoping for good weather on the last Sunday of November. 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, **November 30th at 7:00 pm, we'll gather at Calvary Bible Church,**

15 Beech Street. 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.

Monday Night Bible/Book Study Has Begun Please join us Monday evenings **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. If you have any questions or you'd like a little more information, please call Sue Norman at: 613.283.5053.

Canadian Church Calendars for Sale – Please pick up your copy of the Canadian Church Calendar for **\$7.00**. Copies can be found at the back of the church in the Canterbury room and there is an envelope for your purchase (cash or cheque only). The calendars are going quickly, so be sure to secure your copy.

Let us continue to 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. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Communion Assistants: Mike McCulloch*/Pat Lee
Reader/Intercessor: Trish Warren
Greeters: Doreen Watt & Ron Watt
Altar Guild: Kathy Porter & Lois Arkell
Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl
Readings for next Sunday, Nov 23, 2025 ~
JER 23:1-6; C19 (LK 1:68-79); COL 1:11-20; LK 23:33-43

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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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