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# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SMITHS FALLS | 175 YEARS | 1849-2024



***Transfiguration  
Sunday***

Sung Eucharist ~ 10 a.m.  
Book of Alternative Services, p. 185

Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

# 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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of Jesus"**

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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,  
on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses  
your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured:  
mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world,  
and change us into his likeness from glory to glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Holy words long preserved, for our walk in this world.  
They resound with God's own heart, oh let the Ancient words impart.*

*Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope.  
In this world where e'er we roam, Ancient words will guide us Home.*

*Ancient words ever true, changing me and changing you.  
We have come with open hearts, oh let the Ancient words impart.*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### First Reading

**Daniel 7:9-10,13-14**

As I watched,  
thrones were set in place,  
and an Ancient One took his throne;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames,  
and its wheels were burning fire.

A stream of fire issued  
and flowed out from his presence.  
A thousand thousand served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.  
The court sat in judgement,  
and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions,  
I saw one like a human being  
coming with the clouds of heaven.  
And he came to the Ancient One  
and was presented before him.  
To him was given dominion  
and glory and kingship,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him.  
His dominion is an everlasting dominion  
that shall not pass away,  
and his kingship is one  
that shall never be destroyed.

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
**People: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 99

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The Lord is King; let people  
quake;  
He sits above the cherubim;  
In Zion God the Lord is great;  
Let nations stand in awe of him.

He is the Holy One, his Name  
Is awesome, great, let all  
confess;  
"Lover of justice, mighty King,  
You have established  
righteousness."

Proclaim God's greatness and  
bow down  
And worship him, the Holy Lord;  
Moses and Aaron, Samuel,  
They called on God and heard his  
word.

Out of the cloud he spoke to  
them,  
They kept his law and his  
decrees;  
O Lord, you answered and  
forgave,  
Yet punished all their evil deeds.

Proclaim God's greatness and  
bow down,  
Worship him on his holy hill;  
He is the Lord, our God and King,  
The Holy One, our Savior still.

## **Second Reading**

**2 Peter 1:16-**

### **19**

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from

God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

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## Gospel Acclamation



hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

hal - le - lu - jah! See the day of God ap - pear!

## Holy Gospel

**Luke 9:28-36**

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 about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

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

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## **Sermon**

## **Nicene Creed**

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*Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord my soul, who leads me into life.*

## Prayers of the People

*Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord my soul, who leads me into life.*

**All:** *Almighty God, giver of all good gifts: look on your Church with grace, and guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for our diocese, that we may receive a faithful servant, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Confession and Absolution 191

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## The Peace 192

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

## Offertory Hymn *Joy"*

**60** – *"I Come With*

# THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

## Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God,  
receive all we offer you this day,  
and bring us to that radiant glory  
which we see in the transfigured face  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



## **Sanctus and Benedictus** (*sung*)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of pow'r and might  
Heaven and Earth are full of Your Light.  
Glory to You our God.

Blessed is He, Blessed are we, Blessed are all who come.  
Hosannas ring, Archangels sing,  
Blessed are all who come.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of pow'r and might  
Heaven and Earth are full of Your Light.  
Glory to You our God.

## **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.

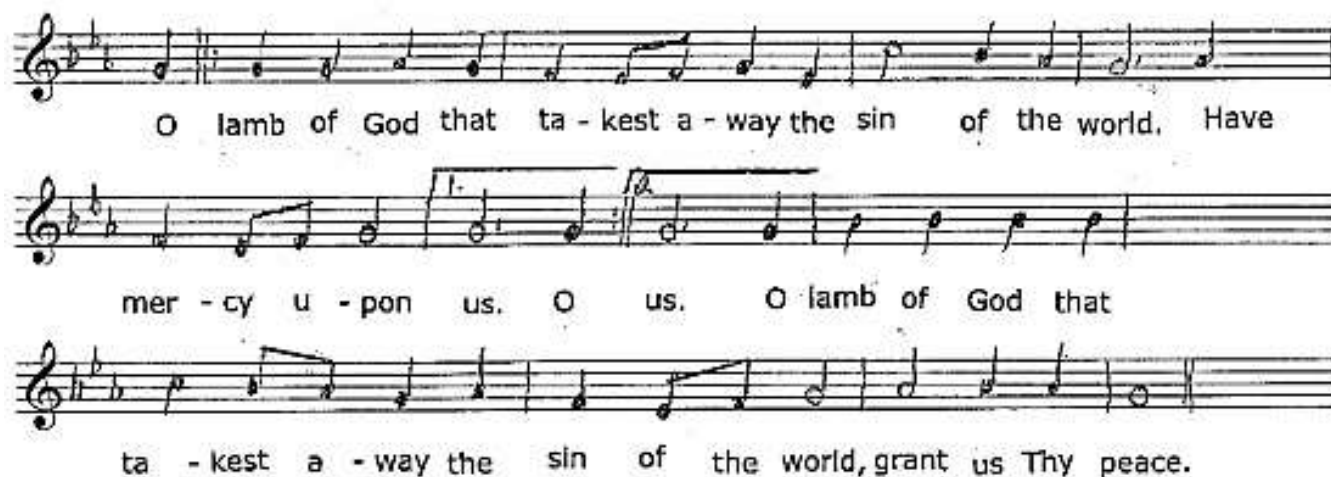
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Celebrant: We break the bread of life,  
And that life is the light of the world.

**All:           God here among us,  
                  light in the midst of us,  
                  bring us to light and life.**

## **Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)** *Sung as printed here.*



## **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)*

**"Ancient of Days"**

**"Know You Are Loved"**

**"Transfiguration"**

## **Prayer after Communion**

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.  
May we who are partakers of his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know  
his power to change and save.  
We ask this in his name.  
**Amen.**

**Doxology**

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**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn –**

**169 – “Jesus, on the Mountain**

**Peak”**

**Dismissal**

**Postlude –**

**“Song for the Mira” (MacGillivray/Murray)**

**A Polite Notice about leaving after the service....**

A surprising number of people have asked about "proper etiquette" at the end of a service. Some people get up right away, some gather in groups to catch up, some depart immediately. Others like to sit and pray, or remain seated to listen to the organist's postlude. So, the questioner asked, what is the polite thing to do?

First, there are no hard and fast rules. If you need to get up and go, then you should absolutely feel free to do that, however, please be aware that others are using that time for quiet prayer, contemplation, or musical enjoyment - so perhaps keep chatting to a minimum. Secondly, organists often use the postlude to display the range and capabilities of the instrument. It is a wonderful show of support and encouragement when people take the time to listen and appreciate the music they provide. So, whatever you need to do at the end of the service, do your best to honour the needs of others as well.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Parish Administration – Vestry** – Pat Lee, Dan Willis and Lois Arkell are accepting nominations for Parish Council, Synod and the Deputy People's Warden positions. Please speak with them about these opportunities to participate in parish administration **before Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. Elections will take place at the Vestry meeting on ***March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026***, following the 10.00am service.

**Annual Vestry Meeting** – Our Annual Vestry Meeting will take place **on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, following the 10.00am service**. Wardens, Dan and Lois, have asked contributors to submit reports for the Vestry circular to the parish office.

**Smith Falls Food Bank** – Collection baskets are at the North and South doors of the Church. Please consider making a contribution, which will be collected after the third Sunday of each month, and delivered to the Food Bank. Please see Deb Lewis for more information, or contact her at 613.284.6111. Thank you for your support.

**BBBS Lanark County Bowling Fundraiser** – The Holy Terriers are ready to raise money and bowl for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lanark County 2026.

Sign up sheets for bowlers and pledge sheets are at each of the entrances to the church. If you would like to raise pledges yourself, please talk to Terry Dillabough or call the office to get a pledge sheet. Bowling to take place in the ***afternoon of Saturday February 28th 2026***, at Gratton Lanes, conveniently located at the Chambers Street Shopping Centre.

**The World Day of Prayer** service will take place at St. Francis de Sales Church on ***Friday, March 6th at 7 p.m.*** This annual event is sponsored by Smiths Falls Inter-Church Women. This year's program, in which St. John's will be participating, has been prepared by

Christian women from Nigeria. Please plan to attend for a time of worship, learning and fellowship. To participate or for further information, please speak with Karen Bryan.

**2025 tax receipts** - These are now available at the back of the church, sorted alphabetically. Please note that the Envelope Secretary will be mailing out some receipts for some visitors and persons who made memorial donations to the church. Thank you.



This section has been designated to assist those in emergency need; those looking to help by donating to individual organizations; and for those who currently need extra help – please contact any of the organizations below for assistance:

**Food Calendar for free or low-cost meals in the area:**

[https://www.foodcorelgl.ca/\\_resources/calendars/Food\\_Calendar\\_Smiths\\_Falls.pdf](https://www.foodcorelgl.ca/_resources/calendars/Food_Calendar_Smiths_Falls.pdf)

**Smiths Falls Community Food Bank** – 93 Russell Street East, 613.283.6695

**Smiths Falls Salvation Army** – 251 Brockville Street, 613.283.3563

**The Falls Food Hub** – 41 Chambers Street, 613.267.6428, Ext #108

**The Lighthouse Café** – 15 Russell Street East, 613.205.1122

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Preacher: Rev. Canon Jim Roberts  
Communion Assistant: Mike McCulloch\*/Pat Lee  
Reader/Intercessor: Trish Warren  
Greeters: Carl Young & Beryl Young  
Altar Guild: Ruth Anderson & Jessica Coughlan  
Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl  
Readings for next Sunday, Feb 22, 2026 ~  
GEN 2:15-17, 3:1-7; PSALM 32; ROM 5:12-19; MT 4:1-11

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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 Reverend Dr. Thomas Brauer, Presiding Celebrant & Preacher

The Reverend Canon Brian Burrows – Honorary Assistant

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