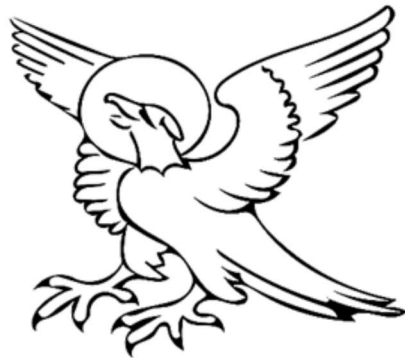


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THE EVANGELIST

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***Third Sunday
of Easter***

Apr 19th, 2026
Sung Eucharist ~ **10am**

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
(Opening) Hymn**

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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

O God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread.
Open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in his redeeming work,
who is alive 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

Acts 2:14A, 36-

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Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift

of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 116: 10-17

Tune

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How shall I now repay the Lord
For all his gifts to me?
I will lift up salvation's cup
And call on him in need.

Within your walls, Jerusalem,
And in the Lord's own house.

Before the people God has
called
My vows will be made right;
The death of those who serve
the Lord
Is precious in his sight.

I am your handmaid's child, O
Lord,
Your servant all my days;
I will call on your Name and
bring
The sacrifice of praise.

Before the people God has
called
I will fulfill my vows,

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

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Holy Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

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 on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and

they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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Sermon

**Anthem – "It is Well" (Kristene DiMarco, 2013 Bethel Music Publishing)
– Performed by Karen Bryan & Trish Warren (see *insert* for lyrics)**

Hymn – "The God We Love" (sung version of the *Nicene Creed*)

We believe in one God, the
Father,
The Almighty, the Maker of all.

The One who rules the seen and
unseen.
We believe , and we adore.

Jesus Christ, one Lord of
creation
From the Father, begotten not
made.
He is the Light from Light
eternal
And the God of every age.

For this world and for our
salvation
He came down from the
heavens above,
Born of a virgin and the Spirit,
Truly man and truly God.
He was crucified under Pilate,
Suffered death and was laid in
the grave
And in accordance with the
scriptures.
On the third He rose again.

Bridge: And Christ has made
His ascent
Into the heavens above
Where He sits at the Father's
right hand now.
But He will come back again
And He will judge in truth.
The Holy Spirit has come,
Voice of the prophets of God

Sent to us, He has given us new
life.

Forgiven, now and baptized
One holy church, we rise, we
rise.

Now we wait to be resurrected
And we look for the world
without end.

This is our creed, our faith, our
anthem.

This is the God we love.

This is the God we love.

Chorus: All glory to the Father
now.

All honour to the Son.

And praise the Spirit, now and
always.

This is the God we love. (X2)

Prayers of the People

All: Almighty God, in your divine providence you have appointed various orders in your Church. Give grace to your servant, The Venerable Kathryn Otley, who has been called to the office and ministry of Bishop for your people in our Diocese; fill them with the truth of your doctrine and holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve you, to the glory of your name and for the benefit of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 *Jesus*

374 – "Alleluia! Sing to

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Creator of all,
you wash away our sins in water,
you give us new birth by the Spirit,
and redeem us in the blood of Christ.
As we celebrate the resurrection,

renew your gift of life within us.

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

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Sanctus (*sung*)

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

Anamnesis (*sung*)

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, according to his command.

**All: We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*)

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name;
Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth, as in Heaven.
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 8

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Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

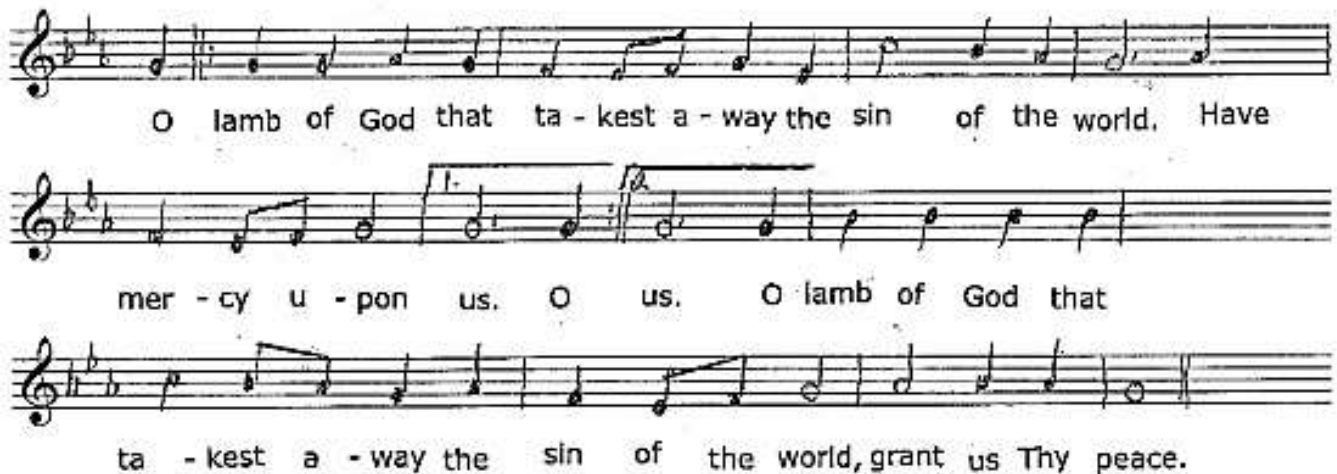
All: Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

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



O lamb of God that ta - kest a - way the sin of the world, Have
mer - cy u - pon us. O us. O lamb of God that
ta - kest a - way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.

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 – Beginnings (*insert*)

"Know You Are Loved"

"Living Hope"

"King of Kings"

Prayer after Communion

Author of life divine,
in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord.
Feed us always in these mysteries,
that we may show your glory to all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Doxology

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn –

467 – *"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I*

Go"

Dismissal

Postlude –

***"Prayer from Joseph"* (arr.**

Mehul)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice of Parish Hall Town Hall Meeting

Sunday, April 19th following the 8 AM and 10 AM service we will host an information sharing time where we will have an opportunity to hear of the plans for the chancel and to give your opinion on possible flooring options.

Notice of Special Vestry Meeting

A special vestry meeting will be held April 26th following the 10 AM service. At this meeting voting will take place on the contract for the demolition of the Lower Hall. This meeting will be dependant on the receipt of viable bids in response to the request for proposals.

Our Lenten Fast (project) of praying for and donating funds to the Smiths Falls Community Foodbank was well supported by the congregation. Thanks to everyone who participated. We raised **\$3,140** as our offering. Receipts for \$20 or more are available at the back of the church.

The Foodbank and those that are hungry in our town were prayed for. Our efforts allowed us to do as Jesus would want us do—feed the hungry.

Interested in Cursillo?

Cursillo is a short retreat which is designed to help us grow our faith and relationship with the Lord. This weekend event includes inspiring talks, wonderful music and concentrated prayer time – all around a chosen theme for the weekend.

This **April 24th to 26th**, there will be a Women's Cursillo Weekend being held at the Galilee Centre in Arnprior. If you might be interested or have any questions, please connect with Trish Warren 613.206.1405 or Kathy Porter 613.283.7605.

Do Your Bit – Greeters, Readers/Intercessors, and Servers are needed for both the 8am and 10am Sunday services, as well as other special services that we hold.

If you are able to help out with this vital and rewarding ministry, please let the office know. We will provide training on **Saturday, April 25th, 2026**, to go through the responsibilities involved.

The Great Spring Sing! – The choir would be delighted to have you join its ranks as we prepare to strut our stuff at "**The Great Spring Sing!**" taking place at St. John's on **Sunday, June 7th**. Your commitment to practise would be a mere 30 minutes per week until the event. Wendy will offer practices on either Friday or Saturday mornings at 10am. If interested, please speak with Karen or Wendy.

Pray K7A – As the end of the month draws near, the next Pray K7A meeting will be held on **Sunday, April 26th**, , meeting at the **Free Methodist Church (573 County Rd 29), at 7.00pm**. All are welcome to join us as we pray together for Smiths Falls and the surrounding area.

Special Invitation: We are all invited to attend the ordination and consecration of The Venerable Kathryn Anne Otley as the Eleventh Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, taking place at Christ Church Cathedral on **Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 10:30 AM**. A festive reception to follow. Livestream available at <https://www.youtube.com/@ChristChurchCathedralOttawa/streams>. Please see the formal invitation on the bulletin boards.

St. John's Cemetery Board – Our Cemetery Board could use your help. Please consider joining in the management and oversight of our lovely and peaceful place of rest for our dearly departed. Please see Dan Willis, Pat Lee or Lois Arkell if you are interested.

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Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Communion Assistant: Mike McCulloch*/Karen Bryan
Reader/Intercessor: Trish Warren
Greeters: Gail Brennan & Linda Coleman
Altar Guild: Debbie Lewis & Ila Bennett
Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl
Readings for next Sunday, Apr 26, 2026 ~
ACTS 2:42-47; PS 23; 1 PET 2:19-25; JN 10:1-10

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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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