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# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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## *Trinity Sunday*

May 31<sup>st</sup>, 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** – “Prelude on ‘St. Catherine’” (arr. Young)

**Announcements**

**Processional (Opening) Hymn – 1**  
– “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”

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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**

Father, we praise you:  
through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things.  
You reveal your salvation in all the world  
by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.  
Through your Holy Spirit  
you give us a share in your life and love.  
Fill us with the vision of your glory,  
that we may always serve and praise you,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**First Reading**

**Genesis**

**1:1—2:4a**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry

land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights - the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night - and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to

them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

## **Psalm 8**

*(Tune*

*491)*

O Lord our God, in all the world  
Your glory we acclaim;  
The mouths of infants, children's  
lips,  
Your majesty proclaim.

You set against the enemy  
A fortress high and strong  
To quell the adversary's might  
And those who do us wrong.

When I look up and see the moon

And stars in heaven above,  
Lord, why should you remember  
us

And visit us in love?  
Yet you have made us only less  
Than angels, and you crown  
Our lives with glory, give us rule  
To earth's remotest bound.

All sheep and oxen, beasts and  
birds,  
We rule in your great Name;

O Lord our God, in all the world  
Your glory we acclaim.

## Second Reading

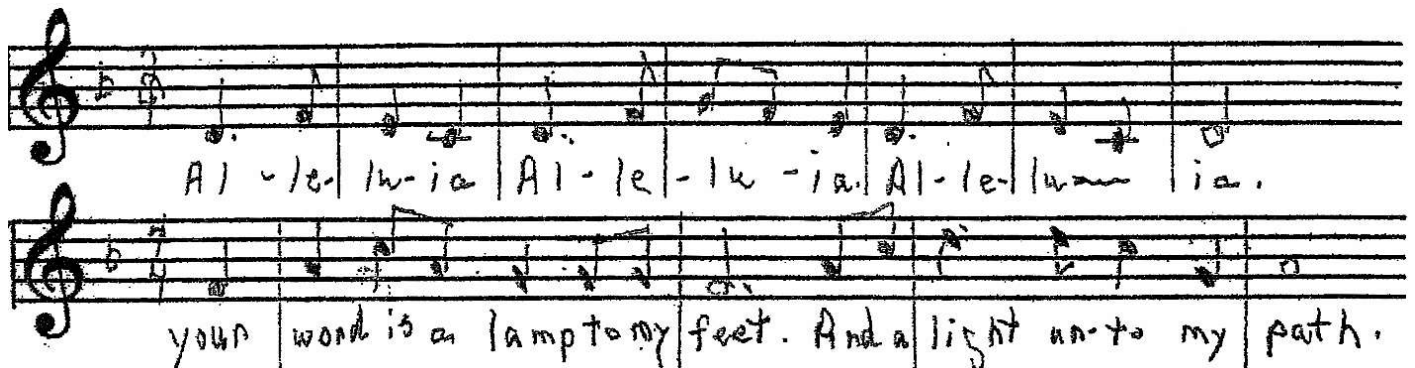
## 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Acclamation



Al-le-lu-ia Al-le-lu-ia Al-le-lu-ia.  
your word is a lamp to my feet. And a light un-to my path.

## Holy Gospel

## Matthew 28:16-20

Gospeller: The Lord be with you

**All: And also with you**

Gospeller: The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

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

## **436 – "I Bind unto/St. Patrick's Breastplate"**

**Sermon**

**Prayers of the People**

**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 255 – "Eternal God, Your Love's Tremendous Glory"**

# **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

## Prayer over the Gifts

Living God,  
receive all we offer you this day.  
Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit,  
we may share in your divine life.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Eucharistic Prayer 3

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### Sursum Corda (*sung*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

**All: And also with you**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

**All: We lift them to the Lord**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### Sanctus (*sung to the tune of Skye Boat Song*)

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.

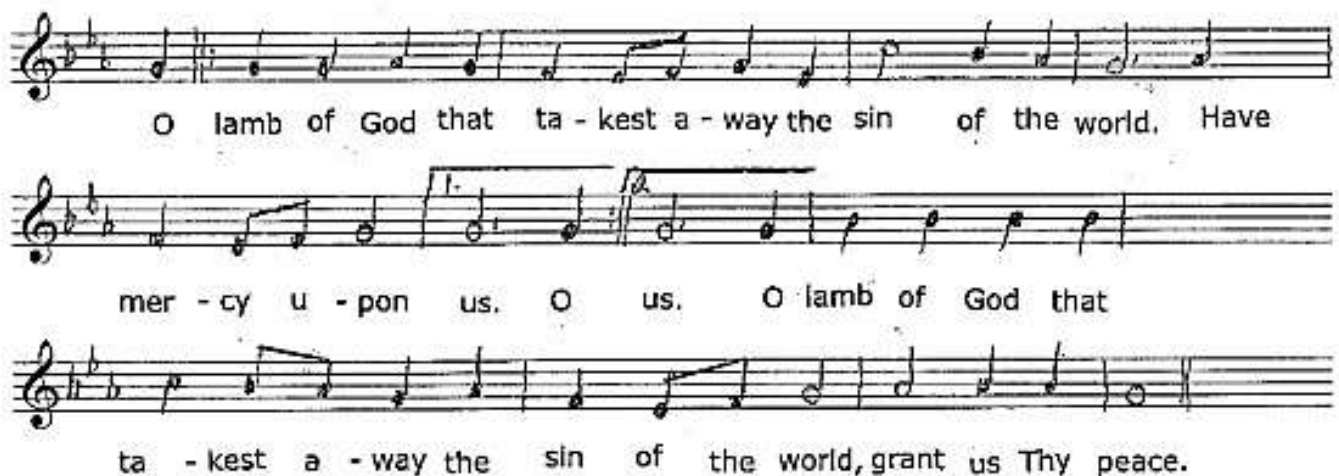
## Breaking of the Bread 3

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Celebrant: Creator of all,  
you gave us golden fields of wheat,  
whose many grains we have gathered  
and made into this one bread.

**All: So may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth  
into your kingdom.**

## 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:

**412** – *"O God, Beyond All Face and Form"*

**481** – *"May the Grace of Christ Our Saviour" (Tune 74)*

**403** – *"Let All Things Now Living"*

## Prayer after Communion

Almighty and eternal God,  
may we who have received this eucharist  
worship you in all we do,  
and proclaim the glory of your majesty.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Doxology

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## The Blessing

Blessing and honour and thanksgiving and praise, more than we can utter, more than we can conceive, be to you, most holy and glorious Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, by all angels, all people, all creatures, for ever and ever. And the Blessing of God the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and keep you now and always.

**Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn –**                      **355** – *"All Creatures of Our God and King"*

## Dismissal

## Postlude –

*"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

(Dykes)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Restrictions for use of Back Parking Lot** – Our parking lot is about to become considerably smaller. For the foreseeable future, only those with mobility issues will have access to the back parking lot for the 10 AM service. Thank you for your consideration and kindness ensuring that those who need that access will have it

**Pray K7A** – Our next meeting will be held this evening, **at 7pm**, hosted by **Bethel Pentecostal Church, 301 County Rd 29**. Join us for an evening of fellowship, as we pray God's blessing, healing, forgiveness, and the joy of the Gospel on Smiths Falls and the surrounding areas.

**Games Night** – The next Games Night will be held on **Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 5.30pm**. A BBQ dinner will be provided and followed by various games and a craft. Join us for a fun-filled evening! Donations are always welcome.

**The Great Spring Sing!** - Will take place on **Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, at 1.30pm**. Enjoy an afternoon of joyful sound presented by musicians from several local churches and two community groups. A reception will follow this celebration. Be prepared to listen and sing. Donations to the Food Bank would be greatly appreciated in lieu of this being a no charge event.

**Outdoor Service – Location change to St. John the Evangelist's front lawn, Hall side – Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at 10am** – We are hosting an outdoor worship service & BBQ on the lawn in front of St. John's Hall. The service will start at 10am and will be followed by a community BBQ. Bring your friends, and a chair and let's come together to praise the Lord in the great outdoors!

**St. John's POTLUCK – for our church family in the Upper Hall on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, at 5pm.** Join us for a joyful summer potluck as we gather as a church family to share good food, and fellowship together. This is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and warmly welcome new ones—so please feel free to bring a friend along! If you would like to help with setup, coordination, decorating or cleanup, please contact Laura Porter. If it's not raining, we will have lawn games on the front lawn for anyone to enjoy and we will have table games set up in the Link and church. If you have any questions, please reach out to Laura Porter or Brenda Ferguson.

*For the departed soul of Jack Churchill and all those who mourn.  
From Clare Churchill*



Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer  
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer  
Greeters: Laura Porter & Kathy Porter  
Reader/Intercessor: Donna Howard  
Communion Assistant: William Mackay  
Server: Kevin Lewis  
Altar Guild: Ruth Anderson & Jessica Coughlan  
Organist: Wendy Stokes-Earl  
Readings for next Sunday, June 7, 2026 ~  
GEN 12:1-9; PS 33:1-12; ROM 4:13-25; MT 9:9-13, 18-26

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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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