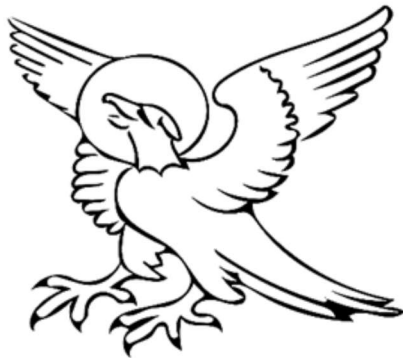


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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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***Fourteenth
Sunday
after Pentecost***

August 30th, 2026
Sung Eucharist ~ **10am**
Book of Alternative Services, p. 185

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

During the summer months, children are welcome to use our colouring tables or they can play in the Hall if SUPERVISED by their family.

Announcements

Processional (Opening) Hymn:

1 – “*Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God Almighty*”

Greeting, p.185

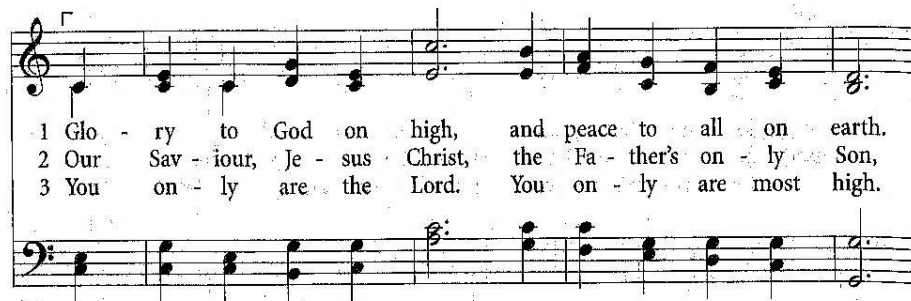
Collect for Purity, p.185

The Gloria

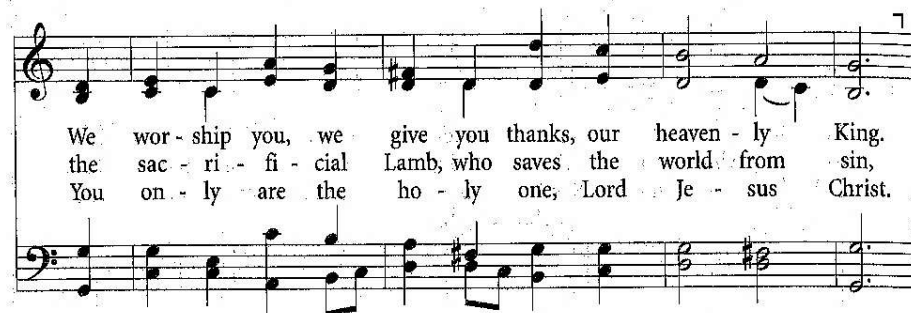
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PRAISE

365 Glory to God on High



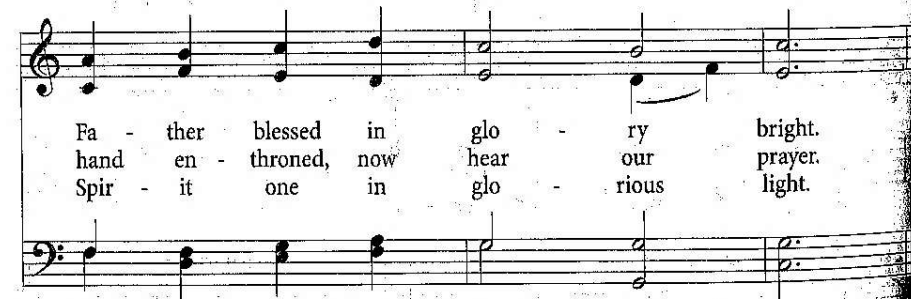
1 Glo - ry to God on high, and peace to all on earth.
2 Our Sav - iour, Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 You on - ly are the Lord. You on - ly are most high.



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

Author and Giver of all good things,
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us in all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and

the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 105:1-8 (*sung*)

Tune: St. Flavian

Give thanks to God, make known his Name,
His deeds, to everyone;
Sing praise, sing praise to him and tell
The wonders he has done.

Rejoice in him, all hearts that seek
To know his Name and grace;
Search for the Lord and all his strength,
And ever seek his face.

Recall the marvels God has done,
The judgments of his mouth
O Abraham's children, Jacob's heirs,

Who he has chosen out.
The Lord is God, throughout the world
His righteous laws prevail;
His covenant and promises
He keeps and will not fail.

Cont'd...

Second Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn –
Be"

450 – "You Call Us, Lord, to
– Verses 1 and 2 before Gospel

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

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

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

450 – *"You Call Us, Lord, to Be" – Verses 3 and 4 after Gospel*

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

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The Exchange of the Peace

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People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Offertory Hymn

431 – *"Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said"*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Merciful God,
receive all we offer you this day.
Give us grace to love one another
that your love may be made perfect in us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

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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.

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 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.**

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.

The image shows a musical score for the Agnus Dei. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff begins with a first ending bracket over the final two measures. The third staff continues the melody.

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:

71 – "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

68 – "I Am Thine, O Lord"

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
you renew us at your table with the bread of life.
May your holy food strengthen us in love
and help us to serve you in each other.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Doxology

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn –

435 – "Take My Life, and Let It

Be"

Dismissal

Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Leslie and Kathleen Lewis by the Lewis family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frozen Food to Bless those in need: St. John's is collecting frozen prepared meals to help those in need. Our goal is to have a supply of pre-packaged frozen meals available in the Parish Hall freezer to distribute to those needing a little extra help. If you are able, please consider purchasing a frozen meal and place it in the freezer for someone in our community that can use our help. Suggestions include packaged, frozen meat pies, pizza, shepherd's pie or pasta. Individual or family sizes are welcome. Together we can be the hands and feet of Jesus, offering both nourishment and hope. If you have questions feel free to contact Cindy Penman 613.283.5002.

Upper Hall Visioning: On ***Sunday, August 30th, following the 10am service***, you will have an opportunity to share your ideas and opinions on what the Upper Hall should look like, who it should welcome and accommodate, and how it will function. This is your chance to influence the future of our hall.

Pray K7A: The next meeting will be tonight, ***Sunday, August 30th, at 7.00pm***. The meeting will take place at Bethel Pentecostal Church, 301 County Rd 29, Smiths Falls. Please join us for an evening of fellowship, prayer, blessing, healing, and forgiveness, and the joy of the Gospel on Smiths Falls and the surrounding areas.

Gluten free Wafers: If you would like a gluten free wafer at communion, please bring your bulletin up with you to the communion rail.

Restrictions for use of Back Parking Lot Continue – For the foreseeable future, only those with mobility issues will have access to the back parking lot for the 10am service. Thank you for your consideration and kindness ensuring that those who need that access will have it.

Chancel Update: Work is progressing. Level flooring now exists as planned. The new flooring, solid prefinished hardwood and carpet (claret), is on order so we will tread on subflooring until installation is complete. A bin is in place in the parking lot to hold the waste created during the demolition and remodelling. Sorry for the disruption.

Hall Basement: Abatement of the Lower Hall, now truly a basement, is complete. The air was tested and found to be of no risk. A structural engineering assessment will be done as well as a survey for designated substances to make sure all mould, asbestos and lead has been removed.

Games Night - Friday, Sept 4th, 5.30pm, Upper Hall - Come for some food and games! Everyone is welcome to join us for a provided warm meal at 5.30pm, and the games start anytime after that. There will also be a table with a craft. Bring your friends and bring their games! Any questions, please contact Laura Porter.

Sunday School: We are excited to announce that Sunday School at St. John's will begin on **September 6th, at the 10am service!** Children of all ages are welcome to join us for a fun and engaging program where they will learn about faith, friendship, and God's love through stories, activities, and discussion. We look forward to welcoming both returning and new families as we start another wonderful year together.

Presider & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Baxter Park
Greeters: Kathy Porter & Laura Porter
Reader/Intercessor: Andrew Howard
Communion Assistant: Karen Bryan
Server: William Mackay
Altar Guild: Debbie Lewis & Ila Bennett
Interim Organist: Sterling Bennett
Readings for next Sunday, Sep 6, 2026 ~
EX 12:1-14; PS 149; ROM 13:8-14; MT 18:15-20

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Thursday 1 – 4pm

Friday 9am – 12 noon

Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8am & 10am* – Wednesdays 10am

*Sunday School offered at 10am from September – June

The Right Reverend Kathryn Otley – Bishop of Ottawa

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