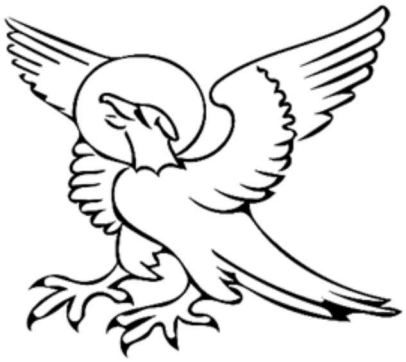
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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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All Saints' Day

November 1st, 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

Announcements
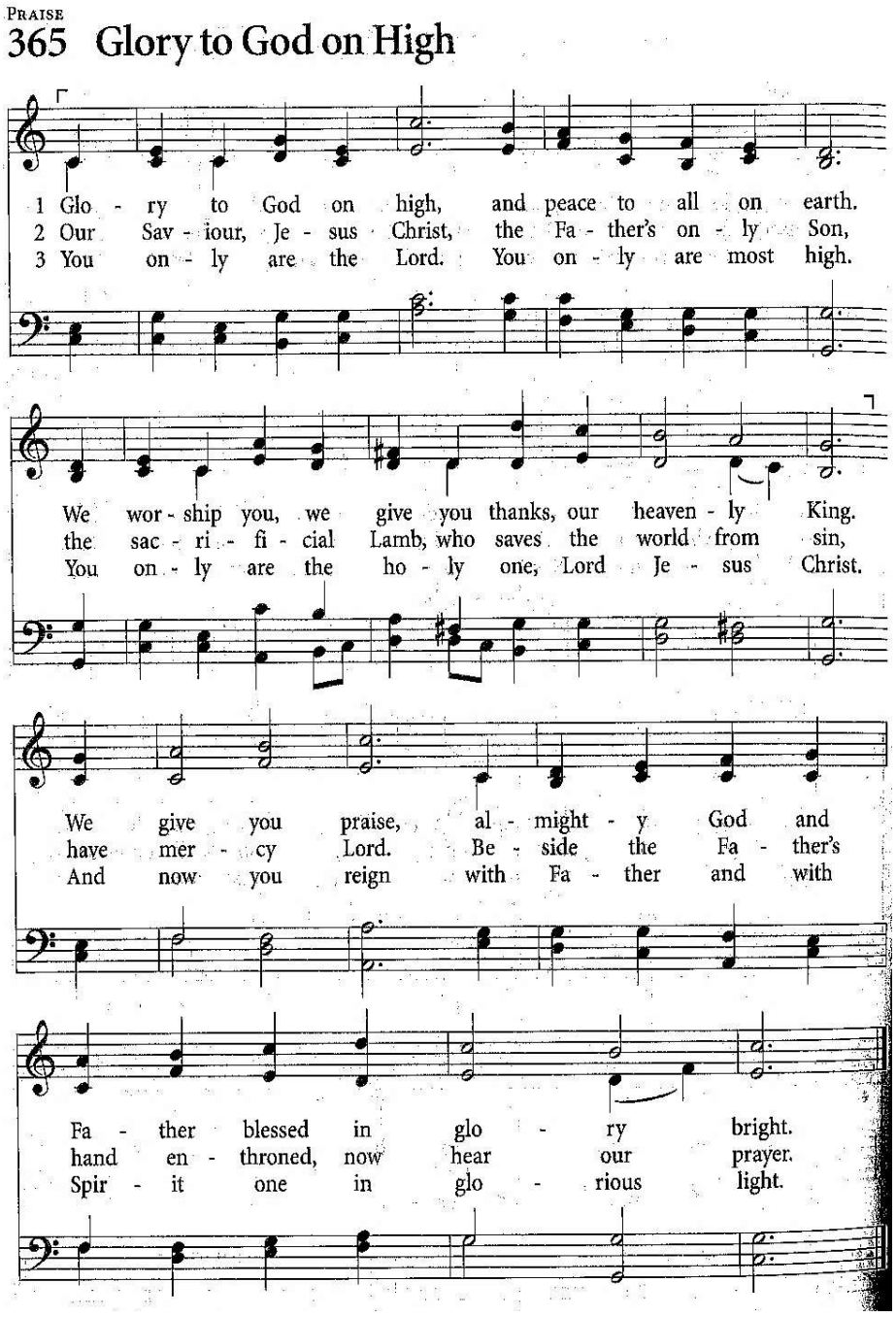
Processional (Opening) Hymn:
320 – *"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"*

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The Gloria

Sung as printed here.



Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
whose people are knit together in one holy Church,
the mystical Body of your Son,
grant us grace to follow your blessed saints
in lives of faith and commitment,
and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared
for those who love you;
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
on God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading — Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no

more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-9

Tune: Duke Street

I will at all times bless the Lord
And in his praise will raise my voice.
I glory in him and his word,
Let all the humble now rejoice.

Proclaim God's greatness now with me;
Let us exalt his Name as one.
I sought the Lord, he heard my plea,
And all my terror now are gone.

Look then on God and let your joy
Shine in your faces radiantly.
I called in my distress; he heard,
And from my troubles rescued me.

Around God's people day by day
His angel stands with outstretched wing.
Taste, then, and see how happy they
Who trust the Lord in everything.

All you who are the Lord's own saints,
In fear before his presence stand;
For those who fear the Lord our God
Shall lack for nothing from his hand.

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

439 – *"Blest Are the Pure in Heart"*
Verses 1 & 2 – Before the Gospel

Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those

who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn **439 – *"Blest Are the Pure in Heart"***
Verses 3 & 4 – After the Gospel

Sermon

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The Prayers of the People

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People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Offertory Hymn **281 – *"Who Are These Like Stars Appearing"***

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy and mighty God,
we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ
in the lives of all his saints.
Receive all we offer you this day,
and help us, like them, to run our course with faith,
that we may come to your eternal kingdom.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 4 p. 201

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.
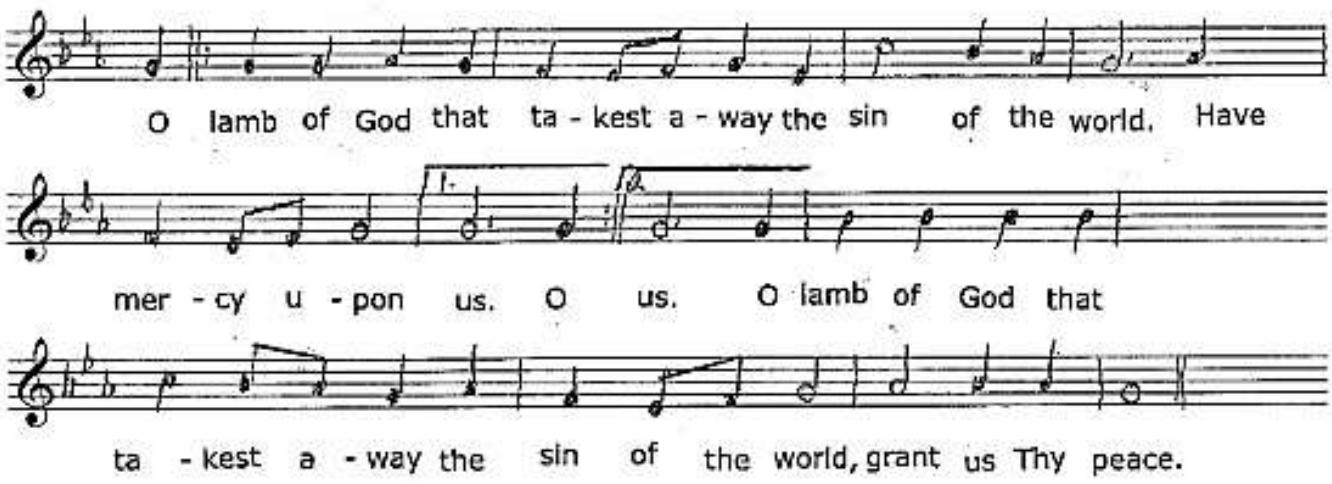
The Lord's Prayer *(sung)*

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 p. 212

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.*



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 –

284 – "He Knows My Name"
498 – "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place"

Prayer after Communion

Lord of hosts,
we praise your glory reflected in your saints.
May we who share at this table
be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom,
where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever.
Amen.

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn – 285 – *"The Eternal Gifts of Christ the King"*

Dismissal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Saints/Souls Service – *This afternoon at 4.00pm:* We are extending a special invitation to everyone to join in a memorial service to remember those who have died, especially in the last year. Anyone is welcome to provide names beforehand, that will be added to the insert for the bulletin, and will be read out during the service. The name(s) can also be written on a piece of paper, and presented to a greeter at the service.

Games Night – *Friday, November 6th at 5.30pm –* You are invited to join us for soup & buns, fun games and a craft, and wonderful fellowship! Bring your friends and bring your games!

Special Notice for Remembrance Sunday: We will be commemorating Remembrance Sunday on ***Sunday, November 8th***. We encourage serving members of the Military, Police, Fire, EMS services, the Legion, and cadets to consider wearing their uniforms that day. Retired military, police or firefighters are also encouraged to wear their medals and decorations.
Other people who have been awarded national or provincial decorations are also encouraged to wear them.

St John's Christmas Food Fair: Join us ***Saturday, November 14, 2026***, from 11am to 2pm. The following tables will be awaiting your contributions and donations: **Bake Table:** Cookies of all kinds, squares, cakes, rolls, breads, unique Christmas baking, etc.; **Gourmet Table:** Frozen foods: baked beans, soups, lasagna, coleslaw, potato salad, jams, pickles, etc.; and **Candy Table:** Goodie bags, fudge (chocolate and brown sugar), pretzels, nuts & bolts, candy bark, and any other delectable delights. We will also be having Christmas Ornaments for sale. We would welcome your donations of any extra plastic/cotton grocery bags that you may have and are wanting to get

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rid of. These can be dropped off at the church hall during office hours before the big day. Any questions regarding the Food Fair can be directed to Louise Sherry at 613.284.1923.
As a special note, we will also have a Christmas tree on hand which will hold ***FREE hats and mitts*** for those who need a little extra warmth this winter. If you would like to donate mitts and hats, that would be so wonderful!! Any questions about the ***FREE hats and mitts*** can be directed to Trish Warren at 613.206.1405.

Bible Study (Evening): Bruce and Amy Jeffreys are hosting a study on Jonah on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in joining them, please contact them at: brucejeffrey.photo@gmail.com

Bible Study (Advent): Coming soon – more information will be available closer to the start date.

2027 Church Calendars: Calendars are available in the office for sale, and are $7 each. Please contact Laura S in the office, if you would like one.

Restrictions for use of Back Parking Lot Continue: Although two of the three dumpsters have been removed, only those with mobility issues will continue to 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: The new flooring is being installed at last! A bin will remain in the parking lot until the work is completed. Completion date is not expected until middle of November 2026.

We have surplus pews in the hall which are in the way and need to be cleared out. Once our requirements have been met, there will be several pews available, **free of charge**. If you are interested and able to ensure removal prior to or on ***Nov 7th*** please speak to Lois.

Presider & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Baxter Park
Greeters: Carl Young & Beryl Young
Reader/Intercessor: Pat Lee/Karen Bryan
Communion Assistant: Donna Howard
Server: William Mackay
Altar Guild: Terri Marsden, Deane Sawchuk & Heulwen Rankin
Interim Organist: Sterling Bennett
Readings for next Sunday, Nov 8, 2026 ~
WIS 3:1-9; PS 116:1-8; 1 PET 1:3-9; JN 6:37-40

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Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8am & 10am* – Wednesdays 10am
*Sunday School offered at 10am from September – June

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