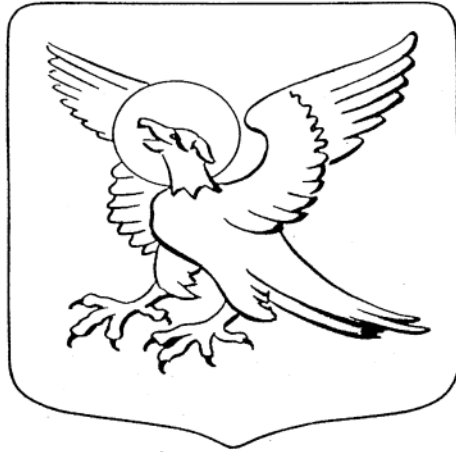


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2022

Sung Eucharist 10am
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Alleluia! Christ is risen. Welcome to 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.

By attending this service, you are agreeing to appear on video in our on-line worship offering through St. John's website and Facebook site.

The modified *Yellow* stage of the diocesan Pandemic plan means various safety measures to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. It has proven very effective for our church.

Some restrictions have eased and this will continue in the weeks ahead. Readers, intercessor and preachers may now remove their masks when speaking.

- Proof of vaccination is **not** required to attend worship services. All of St. John's clergy have been fully vaccinated.
- Masks continue to be mandatory, even if you are fully vaccinated. Please wear your mask throughout the service except when receiving Communion. Physical distancing continues to be encouraged.
- Sunday School is offered in the Upper Hall. Children will join their families at the offertory.
- The offering plates will not be passed. You may place your donation in the box/bowl at the back of the church or at the exits. Thank you for your donation!
- Communion is now offered in **both kinds** for those who wish to receive it. The Greeter will indicate when you may leave your pew. Please make your way up the centre aisle to the clergy at the chancel steps to receive the bread, and then make your way to the table at the side aisle where you may receive the wine. The Communion assistant will say to you "The blood of Christ." You may choose to pick up the chalice and drink from it, or simply bow your head in response if you do not wish to receive. *Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine) is **not** permitted.* Once you drink from the chalice, place it back on the table. The Communion assistant will then wipe the rim and rotate it for the next recipient and you return to your pew via the side aisle. You may remove your mask when you receive Communion and replace it as you return to your pew. If you require Communion to be brought to you, please notify the greeter.

SUNG EUCHARIST

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbooks unless otherwise indicated

Prelude

Hymn 391

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Collect for Purity

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Gloria

Tune: Darwall

Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.

We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.

We give you praise,

almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

**Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,
have mercy Lord.**

Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord. You only are most high.

You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ.

And now you reign

with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148 (*please remain seated*)

Tune: Richmond

**Hallelujah! Give praise to God from heaven in the heights;
praise him all angels, sun and moon, praise him all shining lights.**

**Praise him, high heav'ns and floods above,
let them all praise his name;
for he commanded by his word, he spoke and forth they came.**

**He gave them being, they stand fast in his eternal sway;
the Lord has given them a law which shall not pass away.**

**Praise to the Lord from all the earth: sea monsters deep below,
storm winds, all those who do his will,
fire, hail, and fog and snow.**

**Trees bearing fruit and cedar trees, all hills and mountains steep;
beasts of the wild and wingèd birds, cattle and things that creep.**

**All kings and peoples of the earth, princes and rulers, too;
young men and maidens, old and young, to him all praise is due.**

**His splendour spans all earth and heaven;
all those who come to dwell
with him receive both strength and praise: his people Israel.**

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 487

Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When (Judas) had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

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Easter Litany

Response:



The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please remain in your pew during the peace. Make eye contact with your neighbour, smile behind your mask and wish them the peace of Christ.

Hymn 442

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts

Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Sanctus

Tune: Land of Rest

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in
the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*)

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Breaking of the Bread 8

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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 the chancel steps to receive the bread, and then to the side aisle where you may receive the wine. Be assured that in the Anglican tradition receiving in one kind is considered full Communion. Please maintain physical distance from the person in front of you as you move to and from Communion.

Hymns during Communion *Wonderful Merciful Saviour*

**Wonderful, merciful Saviour
Precious redeemer and friend
Who would have thought that a lamb
Could rescue the souls of men
Oh, you rescue the souls of men.**

**Counselor, Comforter, Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost our way
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way.**

***Chorus: You are the one that we praise
You are the one we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for; oh, our hearts always hunger for.
Almighty, infinite Father
Faithfully loving your own
Here in our weakness you find us
Falling before your throne
Oh, we're falling before your throne. Chorus x 2***

O Praise the Name

**I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see his wounds, his hands, his feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree.**

**His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone.**

***Chorus: O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise his name forevermore
For endless days we will sing your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God.***

**Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the king. *Chorus***

**He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face. *Chorus x 2***

***Hymn after Communion* (please stand)**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us."**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us."
Give thanks. Give thanks.**

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us, can do even more that we
can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to
generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever
and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 486

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Aschah

Reader: Brenda Ferguson

Communion Assistants: Brenda Ferguson; Kevin Lewis

Greeters: Linda Coleman; Gail Brennan

Readings for next Sunday, May 22 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29

NOTICE OF SPECIAL VESTRY

A special Vestry will be held on **Wed May 18, 2022 at 7pm**. This meeting will be in-person and will take place in the church nave. This Vestry concerns the second of St. John's Mission & Ministry priorities identified in 2019 – affordable housing. A Q&A about the information provided on the project will be held today following this liturgy.

PRAYER LIST

In our Parish we pray for: Dan, Philip Burns; Ann R. Bothwell; Melanie; Dale Kerr; Susan & Garry Peters; Bill Pollock; Paul Dunlop; Val L.; Rita; Chris Cutler; Drew; Tim; Erin; Rachel; Diane; Sharon; Linda; Peter & Judy; Sandra; Lila.

Friends of the Parish we pray for: Zachary & Terri; Jacqui; John Duncan; Sarah Telford; Robert Apro; Logan; Meagan, Jeff, and Baby Grayson; Katherine F.; Carol; Bernie Rawlings; Carole & Donald Foster; Don D; Beth; Martha; Lorna; Susan; Sylvia; Mikayla, Annabelle, Emily & Gabrielle; Donnie; Tom Kirkham; Stanley Finkelstein, Carol; Jonathan.

Parishioners residing in retirement/nursing homes we pray for: Bev Lannin; Cora Beasley; Helen Cameron; Brenda Hauraney; Joan Dillon; Pat & Lily Willis; Norma McPhee-Ranger; Jean Green; Joan Davison; Vivian Fleming; Marilyn Nicholson.

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for: The Rt. Rev'd Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa; The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle; The Area Parish of Mississippi Lake, the Ven. Brian Kauk and the Rev'd Jonathan Askwith; for custodial staff serving the parishes and ministries of the diocese.

We remember and give thanks for the lives of Thelma Doherty and Roxeanne McCloy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY (via ZOOM) MON 7pm

Pour yourself a pint or a cuppa, log-in and join the discussion on the Gospel passage for the upcoming Sunday. To get the ZOOM log-in coordinates, contact catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca

BOOK STUDY—5 LITTLE INDIANS (via ZOOM) TUES MAY 3 – JUN 7 7pm

Join in the reading and discussion of Michelle Good's debut novel which traces the lives of five first nations' people who were taken from their homes as small children and sent to a church-run residential school. The novel is a winner of the Governor General's Literary Award for Fiction, a finalist for the Scotiabank Giller Prize and winner of CBC's 2022 Canada Reads book debate. Author Michelle Good is a member of Red Pheasant Cree Nation in Saskatchewan, a lawyer, advocate, poet and writer, and was the first lecturer in the ADO's 125th Anniversary Lecture Series. To obtain the ZOOM link, please e-mail catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca

BEAR WITNESS DAY & HEART GARDEN

Thank you for your "heart" contributions to St. John's Bear Witness Day. Emily Duberville and the Sunday School will use the hearts to plant a heart Garden. For information about Bear Witness Day and heart gardens, visit <https://fncaringsociety.com/heart-garden-faq>

SUNDAY VERSE SUN JUN 5 2pm

An afternoon with Beginnings. Your toes will be a-tapping, your voices will be singing joyously and your hearts will be filled with the love of God. There may even be a surprise or two. Please join us and bring a friend.

NO MOW MAY

As part of Creation Cares and our responsibility to renew and sustain the earth, St. John's is participating in No Mow May. We are intentionally letting the grass – and dandelions! – grow this month and not mowing the lawn. So, while the grass may be a bit longer, it is only for the month. The bees, the butterflies and the birds will be happy!

RAISED GARDEN BED

Great news! A raised garden bed is being erected in the area between the parish hall and the church this weekend. It will be used to grow produce and flowers and will be a learning resource for our Sunday School. Included in the plants are the "Three Sisters" – the traditional indigenous crops of beans, corn and squash. They are so named because these three vegetables complement each other in the garden as well as nutritionally. Corn provides tall stalks for the beans to climb up above the sprawling squash vines. Beans provide nitrogen to fertilize the soil (bean roots take nitrogen from the air and convert it into forms easily absorbed by other plant roots) and stabilize the tall corn in heavy winds. The large leaves of the sprawling squash plants shade the ground, helping to retain soil moisture and reducing weeds. In addition, these three crops are nutritionally complete and balanced when eaten together: corn provides carbohydrates; dried beans are rich in protein and contain amino acids; squash provide different vitamins and minerals not found in the other two.

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

*Sunday School offered at 10am

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