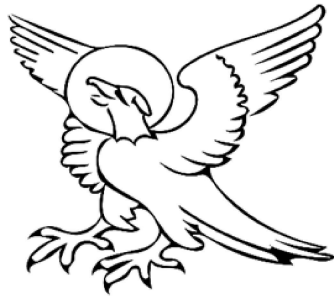


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# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SMITHS FALLS | 175 YEARS | 1849-2024



Fourth Sunday  
After Easter

May 11, 2025

Sung Eucharist ~ 10 a.m.

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# 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

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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 of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
by the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,  
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading**

Acts 9:36-

43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 23 The Lord is My Shepherd**

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### **Second 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.

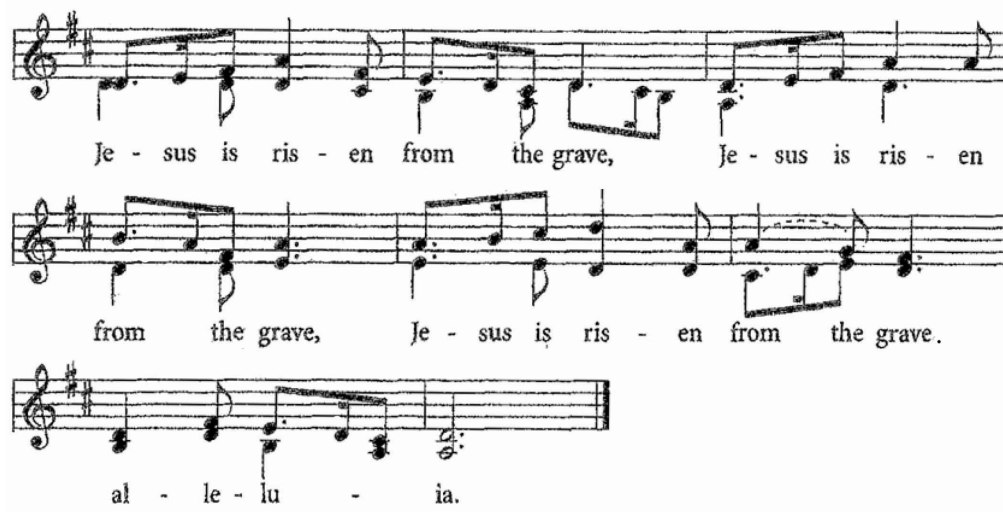
**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Refrain*



*Verse*



## Holy Gospel

## John 10:22-30

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.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

## **Sermon**

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*People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.*

**Offertory Hymn** **328**

# **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Prayer over the Gifts**

God of loving care,  
 you spread before us the table of life,  
 and give us the cup of salvation to drink.  
 Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ,  
 our Saviour and our shepherd.  
 Amen.

## Eucharistic Prayer 3

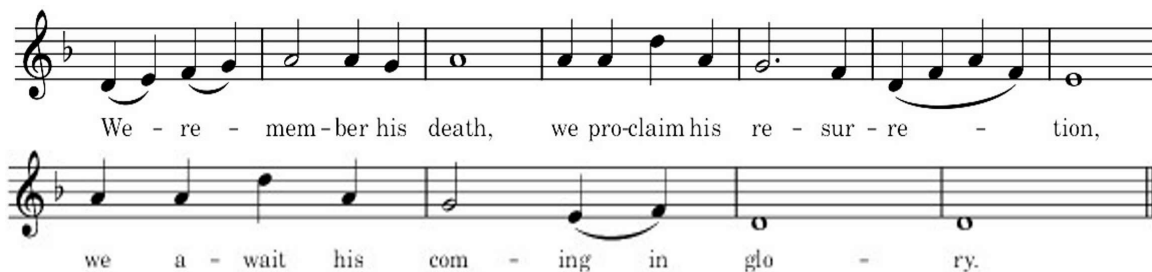
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### Sanctus (sung)



Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the  
 high - est, ho san - na in the high - est.

### Acclamation



We - re - mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his re - sur - re - tion,  
 we a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

### The Lord's Prayer (sung)



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
Your kingdom come;  
Your will be done  
On earth, as in heav'n.  
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.

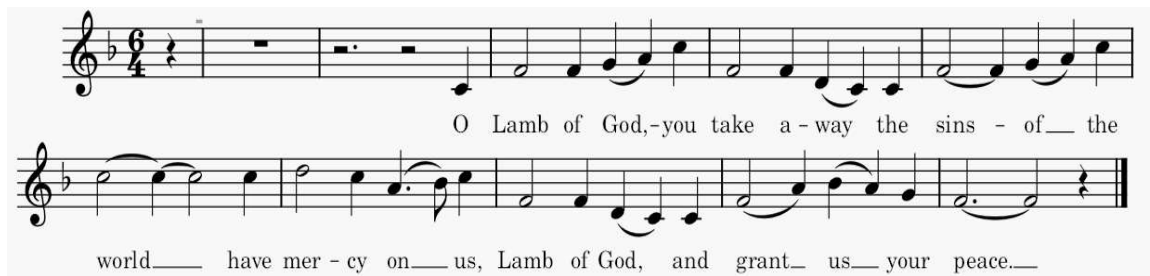
**All: Now we are raised to new life.**

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



O Lamb of God, -you take a - way the sins - of the  
world — have mer - cy on — us, Lamb of God, and grant — us — your 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**  
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**Hymn after Communion**

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**Prayer after Communion**

God of steadfast love,  
watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son.  
May we who share in these holy mysteries  
come safely to your eternal kingdom,  
where there is one flock and one shepherd.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.  
Amen.

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**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn**

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**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **KATHY RYCROFT'S RETIREMENT PARTY**

Our wonderful parish administrator has retired as of May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please join us in celebrating her many contributions to the life of St John's and wish her well for the future at a tea, which will be held following the 10 AM service, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Notice of Parish Hall Town Hall Meeting**

Sunday, May 25th following the 10 AM service we will host an information sharing time where we will have an opportunity to ask questions and consider the options for the parish hall. A report will be available for pickup from Sunday, May 18th.

### **Notice of Special Vestry Meeting**

A special vestry meeting will be held June 8th following the 10 AM service. At this meeting voting on which option we will choose for the parish hall will take place.

### **SMITHS FALLS FOOD BANK**

Collection baskets are at the North and South doors of the Church. They will be collected after the third Sunday of each month, and delivered to the Food Bank. Any questions, contact Debbie Lewis, (613) 284-6111.

### **PRAY K7A**

Come and pray for Smiths Falls and area today, Sunday, May 25, 7:00 pm, **location to be announced**. We'll be praying generally for the town and area, giving thanks for God's gifts of grace and seeking his intercession and guidance for the needs and cares of our area.

### **"ST. JOHN'S TODAY" – NEWSLETTER**

We will be providing print and electronic copies of the newsletter. If you wish to receive an electronic copy, please provide your e-mail

address on the sheets located in the Canterbury Room and at the North Entrance. You may also call the Church Office (613)283-1261 or e-mail, [stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com](mailto:stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com) to be placed on the e-mail list.

**Friday, June 6, 5:30 p.m.** Please join us for some games, food and fellowship! Bring your friends and bring your games! A warm meal will be provided and a few games available to choose from. Please contact Laura Porter if you have any questions.

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Canon Jim Roberts  
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Kathy Porter  
Reader: Trish Warren

Greeters: Beryl and Carl Young  
Altar Guild: Ruth Anderson & Jessica Coughlan  
Organist: Sterling Bennett

Readings for next Sunday, May 18, 2025 ~  
ACTS 11:1-18; PSALM 148; REVELATION 21:1-6; JOHN 13:31-35

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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

The Right Reverend Shane A. D. Parker – Bishop of Ottawa

The Reverend Dr. Thomas Brauer, Presiding Celebrant & Preacher

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