

# Church of St. John the Evangelist

Elora, Ontarío Díocese of Níagara

February 6, 2022

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

70th Anniversary of Queen's Accession

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## 11:00 am Modified Holy Communion (BCP)

This service is live-streamed from St. John's according to Diocesan guidelines (February 1) with not more than ten people in the building.

We trust that you are keeping safe, grounded and connected in your faith this week.

May you be blessed as you join us in offering our prayers and praises to the glory of God

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St. John's church sits on the traditional unceded territories of the Attawandaron, Mississauga, and Haudenosaunee First Nations. These lands are covered by the Between the Lakes Treaty and the Haldemand land grant. These lands are also part of The Dish With One Spoon Treaty, all subsequent newcomers have been invited into this treaty in the spirit of peace, friendship and respect. Today this land is home to many diverse Inuit, Metis and First Nations peoples.

### **Royal Anthem**

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant:

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **SUMMARY OF THE LAW** (congregation can kneel or sit for prayer)

Celebrant:

OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it:

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the

Law and the Prophets.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech

thee.

**Kyrie** - Singers

Byrd Mass for 4 Voices

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### COLLECT

Celebrant: O Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true

religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may

evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated)

#### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

Isaiah 6.1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I: send me!"

## Psalm 138 (sung)

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

I will worship toward thy holy temple and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth; for thou has magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.

When I called upon thee, thou heardest me, and enduedst my soul with much strength.

All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord; for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

Yea, they shall sing of the ways of the Lord; for great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly; as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me: thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the fury of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

The Lord shall fulfil his purpose toward me:

yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; for-sake not then the works of thine own hands.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

as it was at the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(Stand)

GOSPEL Luke 5.1-11

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Reader: The Holy Gospel is written in the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter of the gospel according to Luke

beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Hymn 326** Bright the Vision that Delighted (vv 1,5,6)

Bright the vision that delighted

With his seraph train before him,
once the sight of Judah's seer;
with his holy church below,
sweet the countless tongues united
thus unite we to adore him;
to entrance the prophet's ear.
bid we thus our anthem flow.

"Lord, thy glory fills the heaven; earth is with its fullness stored; unto thee be glory given, holy, holy, holy Lord."

#### THE NICENE CREED

All:

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; light, of light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HOMILY

Rev'd Canon Paul Walker

#### **ANTHEM** O Salutaris Hostia

**Edward Elgar** 

O saving victim who opens the gate of heaven, war presses upon us: give strength, bring aid. To the Lord, three in one, be everlasting glory, for life without end he gives us in his Kingdom.

#### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

During the Anthem the Celebrant prepared the elements for Communion.

"I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." - John 8.12

## **INTERCESSIONS** (You may kneel or sit for prayer)

Celebrant:

Let us pray for the world, the church, and all those in need this day, saying together, "Lord, have mercy."

For all the churches in our community, for our Bishop, Susan, and Primate, Linda, and all congregations committed to their charge, that each one of us might be true and faithful servants of Christ, let us ask the riches of his grace.

Lord, have mercy.

For our families and friends, for those working in schools and hospitals, that the Lord will sustain them and protect them, let us ask the gifts of the Spirit.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or isolated (especially....) that the Lord will uphold them in their minds and bodies, let us ask the strength of God.

Lord, have mercy.

For Elizabeth our Queen, on this 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her accession, for the leaders of all nations, and all who are in positions of authority; that they might serve to build up communities of hope, let us ask the wisdom of God.

Lord, have mercy.

For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace, let us ask the light of Christ.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who have departed this life in faith and fear (especially....) that rejoicing in their fellowship, and following their good examples, we may with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom, let us ask the peace of Christ.

Lord, have mercy.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Leader: YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with

your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: we All: acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to

time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised

forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ and lead

our Lord.

Amen.

Leader: Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him:

Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. — Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. – *John 3:16*.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. – 1 Timothy 1:15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any one sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. – 1 St John 2:1, 2.

#### THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

(Singers stand)
Celebrant:

All:

The Lord be with you; And with thy spirit.

Singers: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts;

Singers: We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

Singers: It is meet and right so to do.

Singers: It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator

Stanford in Bflat and F

and Preserver of all things.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with the whole company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Singers Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,

heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna in the Highest.

## **PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

Celebrant: BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly

Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our

nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he give it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you;

All: And with thy Spirit.

Singers Agnus Dei Stanford in Bflat and F

**Prayer During Reception:** (for people participating online with spiritual communion)

Jesus, I believe that you are present with us in the sacrament of bread and wine. I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life. Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar, Come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself to you; never let me be separated from you.

(Based on a prayer by St. Alphonsus Maria e'Liguori)

#### PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Singers remain standing

Celebrant: Let us pray.

OUR Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Blessing**

Postlude Crown Imperial Sir William Walton

The flowers are given to the glory of God.

Contact Elaine Dightam if you would like to give flowers in memory of loved ones who have died, or in thanksgiving for an anniversary, birthday or event.

You can contact Elaine at 519-843-5091

Readers Christina Stelmacovich, Luke MacLean

Flower Guild Jane Ranjantie

Singers Rebecca McKay, Christina Stelmacovich, Lanny Fleming, Luke MacLean

Video Technician Rod Murray

## Announcements for February 6, 2022

#### **Pastoral Care**

If you know of someone in need of pastoral care, please contact a member of the clergy directly.

## February is Music Month at St. John's.

All are welcome to participate in these online events. To receive the Zoom link you can register on the homepage of the website or receive the link in the weekly Pastoral Letter.

#### Thursday February 10, 7:30 p.m.

Voices of Hope - A Conversation with Amanda Weber

On Zoom.

Dr. Amanda Weber is Director of Worship and the Arts at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, and Founder and Director of Voices of Hope, an organization that leads choirs inside the Minnesota Correctional Facilities. Amanda will offer a short presentation on her work in the growing field of prison choirs and participate in a Q&A hosted by Patrick Murray.

## Thursday February 17th, 8:30 p.m.

Compline

Live-streamed on YouTube.

## Thursday February 24, 7:30 p.m.

**Composing Community** 

On Zoom.

Music Director, Patrick Murray, will discuss his research on composers engaging communities and community stories through the creation of new works of choral music, specifically looking at composer, Julia Wolfe's 2012 coal-mining oratorio, *Anthracite Fields*.

#### **Meet the Choristers**

Watch for features that profile members of the St. John's Parish Choir throughout the month.

#### 70th Anniversary of the Queen's Accession



Today marks the 70th anniversary since the Queen took to the throne as Sovereign and marks the beginning of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. At St. John's today we given thanks for and pray for the Queen. We will be celebrating this occasion in the first week of June during the Jubilee Weekend.

"I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service... But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it." - Princess Elizabeth, 21 April 1947

#### **Modified Online Liturgies**

This significantly modified service of Holy Communion is live-streamed to the St. John's Elora YouTube Channel. We modified the service in compliance with diocesan guidelines (February 1) to minimize the amount of time that no more than ten people are together indoors.

We trust that you are doing everything possible to reduce the amount of transmission of the COVID virus in our community and to keep yourself spiritually and physically healthy. Thank you for your care for one another.

## **Morning Prayer - Thursday**

A group of people gather on Thursday at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom to pray for the community and hear the readings of the day. We are finished by 9:30 a.m. The link is available in the weekly Pastoral Letter.

## **Knitters and Quilters**

If you would like to knit 6 inch or 12 inch squares of any colour, we are gathering them up to assemble together to make afghans for palliative care patients. Please contact Wendy Boose through the church office for more information.

The Knitters and Quilters meet every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom.

## Vestry

Vestry will be held on Sunday February 27, on Zoom. Vestry Reports were due yesterday. Please send your report to Linda Coultes, <a href="mailto:lmcoultes7@gmail.com">lmcoultes7@gmail.com</a> Thank you.

## St. John's Elora

St. John's Elora is a Christian community within the Anglican tradition with a strong history of liturgical worship and choral music. In a spirit of service, self-giving, and thanksgiving, we offer to the glory of God, ourselves, our souls and bodies, endeavouring to foster a faith in Jesus Christ and facilitate human flourishing. We strive to be a thriving, spiritually nourishing, healthy, welcoming and missional community.

Reaching out and reaching in, community engagement, and partnerships are all critical as we build on our past and present strengths. Our ministry together depends on factors such as spiritual authenticity, intellectual integrity, respectful behaviour, the ability to listen attentively, and community hospitality. We move towards the 2030s in a spirit of love with thanksgiving for what we have been given.

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