

Church of St. John the Evangelist

Clora, Ontario Diocese of Niagara

> April 17, 2022 11:00 am

Easter Sunday

11:00 am Choral Eucharist (BCP)

This service is live-streamed from St. John's.
Welcome to an in-person service at St. John's.
Please keep your physical distance where possible.
Wear a good fitting face mask.
Use the hand sanitizer provided.

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.

Mass Setting Coronation Mass

Mozart

Hymn 153 Jesus Christ is Risen Today (vv 1,2,3)

Jesus Christ is risen today,	Alleluia!	But the pains which he endured	Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day,	Alleluia!	Our salvation have procured;	Alleluia!
Who did once upon the Cross	Alleluia!	Now above the sky he's King,	Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss.	Alleluia!	Where the angels ever sing.	Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

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 may be seated or kneel)

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 (choir)

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

GLORIA (choir) Mozart

(congregation please stand)

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

COLLECT

Celebrant: Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome

death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace, thou dost put into our minds good desires so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one good, world without end. **Amen.**

People: Amen.

Lesson Isaiah 65.17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (sung)

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: because his mercy endureth for ever.

Let Israel now confess that he is gracious, and that his mercy endureth for ever.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and is become my salvation.

The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord hath chastened and corrected me; but he hath not given me over unto death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may go into them and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter into it.

I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused is become the head-stone in the corner.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. Alleluia.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.

(please stand)

GOSPEL Luke 24.1-12

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Reader: The Holy Gospel is written in the 24th chapter of the gospel according to Luke

beginning at the 1st verse.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this,

suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Celebrant: I BELIEVE in one God

People: 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.

Hymn 210 Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son (vv 1,2,3)

Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son: endless is the victory over death you won.
Angels robed in splendour rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where your body lay.

See! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord is living; death has lost its sting!

Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son: endless is Yours be the glory... the victory over death you won.

No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life: what is life without you? Aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through your deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to your home above. Yours be the glory...

SERMON Rev'd Judy Steers

Anthem Hallelujah Chorus

Handel

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

During the Anthem the Celebrant prepares the elements for Communion.

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing." (Revelation 5.12)

PRAYERS

In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying "Hear us, Lord of glory."

That the risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That the risen Saviour may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That the risen Saviour may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by God's power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That God may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be strengthened. In our prayers this morning we uphold..... and we remember all our loved ones who join the communion of saints in light....

let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That the risen Saviour may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon all God's people, that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

Accept these prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

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.

All:

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: we 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 our Lord.

All:

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

(Choir stand)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you;

Choir: And with thy spirit. Celebrant:

Lift up your hearts;

Choir: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

Choir: It is meet and right so to do. Celebrant:

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 and preserver of all things.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life.

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

Choir

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.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; 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.

All: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own

righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies May be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious

Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

Choir: Agnus Dei

Administration of Communion

You are invited to receive communion in one kind from one of two standing stations: one station at the nave altar, and one at the cross of the main aisle. Please keep your distance from members of other families.

Please keep your face mask on while you hear the words of administration or blessing. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, please fold your arms across your chest.

Prayer during Communion: (for people participating from home 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 our presence afresh in my life.

Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine at the altar,

come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you and unite myself to you:

Never let me be separated from you. Amen.

(Based on a prayer by St. Alphonsus Maria de-Liguori)

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

OUR Father

All: 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.

Celebrant:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

All:

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee.

And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

Hymn 216 Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem (vv 1-5)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ, the paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy.

For Judah's lion bursts his chains, crushing the serpent's head, and cries aloud through death's domains to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey at his command restore; his ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before.

Triumphant in his glory now to him all power is given; to him in one communion how all saints in earth and heaven.

All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son; all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run.

POSTLUDE Finale from Symphony No. 1

Louis Vierne

Soloists Lesley Bouza, Autumn Debassige, Quade Nielsen, Michael Cressman

Choir Lesley Bouza, Audrey Coates, Marlys Neufeldt, Janelle Santi, Autumn Debassige,

Rebecca McKay, Catherin Robertson, Christina Stelmacovich, Jerome Chang, Lanny Fleming, Quade Nielsen, Jeffrey Smith, Michael Cressman, Marcus Kramer, Luke

MacLean, Matt Oxley

Greeters Ian Hornsby, Ian Rice Readers Colin Fox, Susan Fox

Altar Guild Pam Gradwell, Mardy Langford

Flower Guild Dawn McClure, Judy Briggs, Sylvia Arthur, Nancy Knudstrup

Technician Steve Hornett

The Easter flowers are given to the glory of God

in loving and grateful memory of: the gift of:
My wife Patricia Ann Len Griffiths

Joan Blair Merryfield, Michael Blair and Gwyneth Watkins

May Edwards

Dr. William Ellis and all family members Patricia Ellis

Our parents, sister and son.

Duncan and Janet Hossack and Pamela Young

My husband, John his wife Elaine Dightam

My son Richard

My dear friend Alice Kuhn

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My brother William Maureen McIntyre
My husband Jim Louise Pernfuss
The Dunker and Guy families Jim and Mary Guy

Dave Watkins his wife Barb, Susan, Tom and MaryAnn

Loved ones John Lockyer

Announcements for April 17, 2022

Welcome to St. John's

We are thrilled to have you attend in-person for a service at St. John's.

Please wear a face mask, keep a physical distance where possible, and use hand sanitizers provided. The back section of pews on the left side is designated for people who wish to keep a physical distance. With a full choir we are using the nave altar to allow the choristers to keep a physical distance.

Communion at 11

For communion this morning at 11, you are invited to come forward to two standing stations where the sacrament will be administered in one kind: one standing station at the nave altar; the other at the cross of the main aisle. Please keep your face mask on until you leave the celebrant's 2m distance; and keep a physical distance from others where possible.

Support for Ukraine

PWRDF is now partnering with three organizations on the ground with extensive experience. The latest partnership is with Initiative E+ which is providing medical supplies to civilians and supporting first responders. To make a donation to support this work mark your donation "UKRAINE" on the memo line or envelope.

Offerings

Offering plates and envelopes are available at the entrances to the church to receive your donation to support the ministry of St. John's. Did you know that last year over 70% of our annual revenue was generated by your generous gifts? We count on your generosity to help inspire faith in people's lives.

Wednesday Communion

Join us on Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. for a simple said service of Holy Communion in-person.

Morning Prayer

We continue to meet on Thursday at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom to offer prayers for the community and hear the readings of the day. The Zoom link is in the weekly Pastoral Letter.

Pastoral Letter

Let us know if you would like to receive the weekly Pastoral Letter emailed from the Rector on Saturdays with news of events and a reflection.

St. John's Four Areas of Ministry

Proclaim the Love of Christ - Engage and Involve - Musical Outreach - Open Doors

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