

Church of St. John the Evangelist

Elora, Ontarío Díocese of Níagara

> May 15, 2022 11:00 am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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11:00 am Choral Eucharist (BCP)

Prayer books are available on the shelf in the transept aisle if you with to use one. 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 Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo

Introit Turn to me in Mercy

O God, Father, Son, Holy Spirit Turn to me in mercy, as you always do to those who love your name. Amen.

Hymn 300 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation (vv 1,3,5)

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one, holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone. To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today; with thy wonted loving kindness, hear thy servants as they pray; and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever three, and ever one, one in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.

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.**

Joseph Haydn

Sarah MacDonald

May 15, 2022

(congregation may be seated or kneel) SUMMARY OF THE LAW

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

Merbecke

(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: O Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

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."

Psalm 148 (plainchant)

O praise the Lord from the heavens: praise him in the heights. Praise him, all ye angels of his; praise him all his host. Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light. Praise him, all ye heavens, and ye waters that are above the heavens. Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded and they were created. He hath made them fast for ever and ever; he hath given them a law which shall not be broken. Praise the Lord from the earth, ye dragons and all deeps; Fire and hail, snow and vapour, wind and storm, fulfilling his word; Mountains and all hills; fruitful trees and all cedars; Beasts and all cattle; creeping things and feathered fowls; Kings of the earth, and all peoples; princes and all judges of the world; Young men and maidens together; old men and children; Let them praise the Name of the Lord: for his Name only is excellent, and his glory above heaven and earth. He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him: even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

(please stand)

GOSPEL

- *Reader:* The Lord be with you.
- *People:* And with thy spirit.
- *Reader:* The Holy Gospel is written in the 13th chapter of the gospel according to John beginning at the 31st verse.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When he 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."

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 484 In Christ There is no East or West

In Christ there is no east or west, in Christ no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find, whose service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

SERMON Rev'd Canon Paul Walker

Anthem Upon Your Heart

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

If you keep my commandments, you shall abide in my love. Love one another as I have loved you, then shall your joy be complete.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

During the Anthem the Celebrant prepares the elements for Communion.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, what e'er your race may be; who serves my God in truth and love is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, in Christ meet south and north; all faithful souls are joined in one throughout the whole wide earth.

Eleanor Daley

St. Bernard

"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

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant *ELIZABETH* our Queen, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, all Bishops, Priests and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Susan, our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee I holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life as in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, *especially those for whom our prayers are desired*.

We remember before thee, O Lord, all t hy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, 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, 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.

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 chancel steps, 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, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

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 486 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vv 1,2,3)

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver; let us all thy grace receive, suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory to thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee, changed from glory into glory; till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

POSTLUDE Concerto in F (first movement)

J G Walther

Readers	Judy Bates, Felicia Gow
Singers	Lesley Bouza, Audrey Coates, Rebecca McKay, Janelle Santi, Kate Wright,
	Rachel Barreca, Autumn Debassige, Sarah Pearson, Christina
	Stelmacovich, Lanny Fleming, Quade Nielsen, Jeffrey Smith, Michael
	Cressman, Alan MacDonald, Luke MacLean, Matt Oxley
Altar Guild	Mardy Langford, Wendy Donohue
Flower Guild	Sylvia Arthur
Technician	Steve Hornett

Flowers are to the glory of God and in loving memory of Veronica Punnett, the gift of her husband Gerald.

Announcements for May 15, 2022

Welcome to 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.

Generous Giving

You are invited to give generously to support the ministry of St. John's.

You can request a box of Offering Envelopes; use monthly Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.); or make a donation by electronic transfer to <u>treasurer.stjohnselora@gmail.com</u>. Offering plates and P.A.G. forms are available at both doors of the church.

For more information on Giving to St. John's contact Steve Hornett at 519-846-5911.

Hyfrydol

This Week at St. John's	
Tuesday	5:30 p.m. Volunteer Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Holy Communion
	10:00 a.m. Knitted Creature Shop OPEN
	10:30 a.m. Knitters and Quilters
Thursday	9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom
	3:30 p.m. "No Book" Book Study
	7:30 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
	9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (BAS) with Volunteer Choir
	10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) at Christ Church Chapel, Drayton
	11:00 a.m. Choral Mattins (BCP) with Octet

Knitted Creatures for Ukraine

A member of the Knitters and Quilters has made children's slippers, dinosaurs, baby outfits, bears and snuggle bugs. A sample of the items are available in the Narthex, and a more full selection is on display in the Parish Centre. All proceeds go to support refugees and injured civilians in Ukraine through PWRDF. Someone will be in the Parish Centre on Wednesday morning, 10-12. You can pay by cash or by E-transfer.

Easter Season Appeal for Choir Fund

We seek to continue to engage people in the Sunday morning experience of St. John's. The full Parish Choir is here to provide you with an inspiring choral experience during the season of Easter. So you and others can enjoy this experience, the Wardens invite you to give a financial gift to the Choir Fund to support our singers. Easter is an opportunity for us to enjoy the full Parish Choir for the first time in over two years. You can join us in extending your gratitude for the singers' commitment to our choral tradition by marking your donation "CHOIR FUND".

Next Sunday

Patrick is participating in and helping organize the Podium Choral Conference and Festival in Toronto next weekend, so while he is away we will have an octet for Choral Matins at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday May 22nd.

Florence Nightingale

As we conclude Nursing Awareness Week it is good to remember Florence Nightingale, who we commemorated this past Thursday in the Canadian Church Calendar, and to thank those who are involved in the nursing profession today. If you are unaware of the connection that St. John's has with Florence Nightingale, please help yourself to the brochure in the narthex and take a look at the Florence Nightingale display by the organ.

TRC Banner

The quilted banner beside the Paschal Candle was featured in a front page story in the Niagara Anglican this month. This banner was designed by Jane Rajantie and created by stitching over 100 orange ribbons that were tied to trees to mark the first Truth and Reconciliation Day in Canada last September. The banner is present in our liturgies and meetings to create a space for the voices of those who died in the residential school system in Canada, the murdered and missing indigenous women and girls, and to remind us all of our commitment to learn and work towards reconciliation with indigenous peoples in Canada. For the full story see the article on in the narthex. If you do not receive a copy of the Anglican Journal and Niagara Anglican published each month, please let us know.

Choral Evensongs

Mark your calendars to attend the next two Choral Evensongs:

Queen's Platinum Jubilee - Sunday June 5, 4:00 p.m. (with vocal octet) Feast of St. John the Baptist - Sunday June 26, 4:00 p.m. (with Parish Choir)

"No Book" Book Study

Thursday at 3:30 you are invited to read the articles and come for some conversation together as we explore themes of sin and salvation. Please ask Judy for a copy of the article.

Reinhardt Kusserow's Funeral

There will be a funeral service for Reinhardt Kusserow on Friday May 27, 1:00 p.m. at St. John's. Reinhardt died on April 15th.

St. John's Four Areas of Ministry

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

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