



*Church of St. John the Evangelist*

*Sunday, June 11, 2023*

*11am*

*First Sunday after Trinity  
Second Sunday after Pentecost*

**11:00 am Choral Mattins (BCP)**

*Welcome to St. John's Elora.*

*Hearing assist devices, prayer books and hymn books and children's activity packs  
are available at the back of the church.*

**Introit The Lord Bless You and Keep You****Peter Lutkin****Hymn 379 Rejoice, the Lord is King**

*1. Rejoice, the Lord is King!*

*Your Lord and King adore!*

*Rejoice, give thanks and sing  
and triumph evermore.*

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice; again I say, rejoice!*

*3. His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth  
and heaven;*

*the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus  
given. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

*2. Jesus the Saviour reigns,*

*the God of truth and love;*

*when he had purged our stains,  
he took his seat above.*

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice; again I say, rejoice!*

*4. He sits at God's right hand till all his foes  
submit, and bow to his command,  
and fall beneath his feet.*

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:  
rejoice, again, I say, rejoice!*

*5. Rejoice in glorious hope;*

*Jesus, the judge, shall come and take his servants  
up to their eternal home.*

*We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;  
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!*

*"O sing to the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things."*

- Psalm 98.1

Minister: Dearly beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

*(you may kneel or sit for prayer)*

Minister: ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father,

All: **We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto humankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Minister: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness, and live, hath given power and commandment to his ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins.  
God pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.  
Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Responses are sung.*

Minister: O LORD, open thou our lips;

All: **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Minister: O God, make speed to save us;

All: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*(please stand)*

Minister: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All: **as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Minister: Praise ye the Lord;

All: **The Lord's Name be praised.**

**Canticle Venite**

Barnby

*(remain standing)*

*O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.*

*Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.*

*For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.*

*In his hand are all the corners of the earth; and the strength of the hills is his also.*

*The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.*

*O come, let us worship, and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.*

*For he is the Lord our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.*

*Glory be to the father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

## **Lesson 1 Genesis 12.1-9**

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

## **Psalm 33.1-12**

*(Congregation remain seated)*

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; for it becometh well the just to be thankful.  
Praise the Lord with harp: sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.  
Sing unto the Lord a new song: sing praises lustily with a good courage.  
For the word of the Lord is true, and all his works are faithful.  
He loveth righteousness and judgement: the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.  
By the word of the Lord were the heavens made,  
and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.  
He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were in a bottle,  
and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.  
Let all the earth fear the Lord; stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.  
For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and it stood fast.  
The Lord bringeth the counsel of the nations to nought,  
and maketh the devices of the peoples to be of none effect.  
The counsel of the Lord shall endure forever,  
and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.  
Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

## **Lesson II Matthew 9.9-13, 18.26**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the

synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

### **Jubilate Deo in F**

John Ireland

*O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands;  
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.  
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:  
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,  
and into his courts with praise.  
be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.  
For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting;  
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.*

*(Please stand)*

Minister: I believe in God

All: **the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Responses are sung.*

Minister: The Lord be with you;

All: **And with thy spirit.**

Minister. Let us pray.

*(please kneel or sit for prayer)*

All: **Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: 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. Amen.**

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
All: **And grant us thy salvation.**  
Minister: O Lord, save the King;  
All: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**  
Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;  
All: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
Minister: O Lord, save thy people;  
All: **And bless thine inheritance.**  
Minister: Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
All: **And evermore mightily defend us.**  
Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
All: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

Collect for the Day

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Second Collect, for Peace.

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Third Collect, for Grace.

O LORD our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Anthem Beati quorum via**

Charles Villiers Stanford

Blessed are the undefiled in the way,  
Who walk in the law of the Lord.

**Homily Rev'd Canon Paul Walker**

## Offertory Hymn 501 Through All the Changing Scenes of Life

*An offering plate will be passed during this hymn. Your donation to support St. John's is most welcome.*

*1. Through all the changing scenes of life,  
in trouble and in joy,  
the praises of my God shall still  
my heart and tongue employ.*

*4. O make but trial of God's love;  
experience will decide how blest  
and favoured are they all  
who in this love confide.*

*2. O magnify the Lord with me,  
exalt the sacred name;  
when in distress to heaven I called,  
God to my rescue came.*

*5. Fear God, you saints, and you will then  
have nothing else to fear;  
let service be your life's delight;  
your wants shall be God's care.*

*3. The guardian hosts encamp  
around the dwellings of the just;  
deliverance they provide to all  
who in God's shelter trust.*

*6. To Father, Son, and Spirit blest,  
the God whom we adore  
be glory, as it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.*

Closing Prayers for the community, the world and those in need.  
*(you may kneel or sit)*

The Grace **May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn 330 O Praise Ye the Lord

Laudate Dominum

*1. O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the height;  
rejoice in God's Word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him in brightness arrayed.*

*3. O praise ye the Lord, all things that give  
sound,  
each jubilant chord re-echo around;  
loud organs, God's glory proclaim in deep tone,  
and sweet harp, the story of what God hath  
done.*

*2. O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon earth;  
in tuneful accord, give thanks for new birth;  
praise God who hath brought you all grace from  
above,  
praise God who hath taught you the pathways  
of love.*

*4. O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song  
be ever outpoured all ages along;  
for love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!*

## Postlude

**You are invited to go downstairs(Thompson Hall) for some refreshments and the opportunity to greet one another.**

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Arthur and Rita Doraty,  
the gift of Max and Maureen McIntyre,  
and in loving memory of Maureen Reid,  
a faithful member of the 9am congregation who died on June 6, 2023.

Choir Audrey Coates, Janelle Santi, Kate Wright, Lesley Bouza, Rebecca McKay,  
Emily Burnett, Autumn Debassige, Valerie Nunn, Caroline Schmidt,  
Jerome Chang, Lanny Fleming, Quade Nielsen, Jeffrey Smith, Michael  
Cressman, Paul Genyk-Berezowsky, Alan Macdonald, Luke MacLean.

Readers Jane Houlding, Mark Haslett

*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 Haldimand 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.*

## **St. John's Four Areas of Ministry**

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

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## **Welcome to St. John's**

We are delighted you are here today. If you wish to learn more about St. John's, or want to receive the weekly "Pastoral Letter" with a reflection from the Rector and updates on events, please send an email to [rector.stjohnselora@gmail.com](mailto:rector.stjohnselora@gmail.com)

## **Parking**

It is that time of year that with the influx of people to Elora on weekends, for the sake of primarily preserving access on narrow roads for first responders, parking enforcement officers are issuing tickets for cars parked illegally.

In response to our requests last year, the township has installed more parking signs where necessary.

[Maps](#) indicating streets with designated parking spots are available on the [Centre Wellington website](#) and at the back of the church.

When parking in undesignated spots, **do not park** within 1m of a driveway, 3m of a fire hydrant, or 9m of an intersection.

**Do not park** anywhere on or near Victoria Crescent particularly where it intersects with Smith Street. Moir Street, west of Geddes Street, has very limited parking.

If you have any questions about parking, [please refer to the information on the Centre Wellington site](#).

## **OPEN DOORS PROJECT UPDATE**

### **Sunday June 18 hospitality time (9am and 11am)**

As approved by a Special Vestry last December the Open Doors Project Team has been meeting monthly with representatives from the diocesan building and finance committees, and has made some steps forward with the Township planning department. We plan to visit some established groups in the parish for some informal conversation with people to provide an update on the progress and engage with one another to create further ownership of this community project. We will start next Sunday June 18 by offering an update during the Sunday hospitality after the 9am service in the Parish Centre, and after the 11am service in Thompson Hall. We also plan to attend the Knitters and Quilters and the Friday Song Circle in June. If you have any questions, please speak to one of the Wardens: Pam Gradwell, Jeff Ostic, Jane Houlding or Jon Warland; or the Project Team Co-Chairs: Peter Barr or Colleen Murray.

## **I Carry Your Heart: A Choral Celebration**

### **SUNDAY June 18 at 3:30pm**

Hear the Parish Choir in a whole new light as they come out from the choir stalls to offer some favourite anthems from the year and some fun pieces that they don't usually get to sing!

The last Sunday morning for the Parish Choir before summer break is June 11.

## **"Pop-up" Children's Choir with Kate Wright**

### **FRIDAY June 16, 5-7pm**

We need your help to invite friends with children or your own grandchildren to attend this event. It is a one-evening drop-in choir for singers ages 8 and older.

Led by our own Kate Wright, singers will learn 2 new songs and are invited to sing on the Choral Celebration concert with the Parish Choir the same weekend (see above). A pizza dinner will be provided.

For more information speak with Patrick and register at [music.stjohnselora@gmail.com](mailto:music.stjohnselora@gmail.com).

## **The Song Circle**

**FRIDAYS at 10:30 a.m.**

Sing some favourite tunes in the Parish Centre on Friday mornings at 10:30 led by Stan Litch on ukulele. Lyrics provided. Requests encouraged.

## **Compline - NEW DATE for June**

**TUESDAY June 20 at 8:00 p.m.**

If you want to sing in the Compline Choir, let Patrick Murray know and join the rehearsal at 6:30 on the day of the service.

## **June Music Recital**

**FRIDAY, June 23, 7:30 p.m.**

“And then I knew it ‘twas wind”: Music for flute, viola and harp

Laurel Swinden, Elizabeth Reid and Noël Wan.

Admission by donation to support our music program.

## **Fiercely Loved - Pride Mass**

**TODAY, 4:00 p.m.**

The Bishop invites you to join in a diocesan wide service to celebrate pride in the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. It will be held at Christ’s Church Cathedral and can accommodate all ages. The service will also be live-streamed on the Diocese of Niagara YouTube channel. St. John’s Elora is an affirming parish for 2SLGBTQIA+ community

## **Food Bank**

Bring non-perishable food items to the food hamper in the narthex of the church for the Food Bank.

## **This Week at St. John’s**

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| Today     | 4:00  | Fiercely Loved – Pride Mass – Christ’s Church Cathedral |
| Monday    | 7:00  | Bible Study at Portage                                  |
| Tuesday   | 10:30 | Endowment Fund Committee (Parish Centre)                |
| Wednesday | 9:30  | Knitters and Quilters                                   |
|           | 10:00 | Holy Communion  |
| Thursday  | 9:00  | Yoga (Parish Centre)                                    |
|           | 7:00  | Parish Choir  |
| Friday    | 10:30 | Song Circle (Parish Centre)                             |
|           | 5:00  | Kid’s Pop-Up Choir                                      |

## **Sunday June 18 - Third Sunday after Pentecost**

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| 8:00  | Holy Communion  |
| 9:00  | Holy Eucharist followed by “Open Doors Project” Update with Q & A over coffee in Parish Centre                |
| 11:00 | Choral Communion with Quartet followed by “Open Doors Project” Update with Q & A over coffee in Thompson Hall |
| 3:30  | “I Carry Your Heart: A Choral Celebration”  |