

Church of St. John the Evangelist

Elora, Ontario Diocese of Niagara

August 7, 2022

Eighth Sunday after Trinity Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am Choral Eucharist (BCP)

Prayer books are available on the shelf in the transept aisle if you with to use one.

Welcome to an in-person service at St. John's.

Face masks are strongly recommended to be worn indoors at services at St. John's.

Hearing Assist devices are available at the back of the church.

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 Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan

Processional Hymn 385 Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

1. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; bow down before him, his glory proclaim; gold of obedience and incense of lowliness bring, and adore him, the Lord is his name!

3. Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine; trust in its beauty and love in its tenderness, these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

2.Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness; high on his heart he will bear it for thee, comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness, guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

4.These though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness, he will accept for the name that is dear, mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness, trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

5. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; bow down before him, his glory proclaim; gold of obedience and incense of lowliness bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name!

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.**

(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 (soloist)

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 God, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We

humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things

which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Reading Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Psalm 50.1-8, 22-23 (plainchant)

The Lord, even the Most Mighty God, hath spoken,

and called the world, from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

Out of Sion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined forth.

Our God cometh, and keepeth not silence;

there goeth before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest is stirred up round above him.

He calleth to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

'Gather my saints together unto me: those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.'

And the heavens declare his righteousness; for God is judge himself.

'Hear, O my people, and I will speak:

I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.

I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices; as for thy burnt offerings, they are always before me.

O consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver. Whoso offereth me the sacrifice of thanksgiving, he honoureth me; and to him that ordereth his way aright will I show the salvation of God.

(please stand)

GOSPEL

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Reader: The Holy Gospel is written in the 12th chapter of the gospel according to Luke

beginning at the 32nd verse.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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.

HOMILY Rev'd Judy Steers

OFFERTORY HYMN 594 Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendour

An offertory plate will be passed during this hymn to receive donations to support the ministry of St. John's.

1.Judge eternal, throned in splendour, Lord of lords and King of kings, with your living fire of judgement purge this land of bitter things; comfort all its wide dominion with the healing of your wings.

2. Weary people still are longing for the hour that brings release, and the city's crowded clamour cries aloud for sin to cease; and the countryside and woodlands plead in silence for their peace.

3.Crown, O God, your own endeavour; cleave our darkness with your sword; cheer the faint and feed the hungry with the richness of your word. Cleanse the body of this nation through the glory of the Lord.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

During the Anthem the Celebrant prepares the elements for Communion.

"The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork."

Psalm 19.1

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 thy 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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you; All:

And with thy spirit. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts;

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

All: 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.

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

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.

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

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.

Soloist: Agnus Dei

Administration of Communion

You are invited to receive communion from the communion rail at the altar. If mobility challenges prevent you from navigating the chancel steps safely, the clergy will bring the sacrament to you. If you do not wish to receive the chalice, you are invited to touch the base of the chalice while you hear the words of administration.

If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

SOLO Hear My Prayer

Antonin Dvorak

Hear my prayer, I Lord, my God!

Oh hide not Thy face from my petition.

glory, world without end. Amen.

Bow thine ear to me and hearken unto the voice of my mourning.

Pained sore is my heart within, and trembling hath fallen upon me,

the fear of death overwhelms me.

Hear my sighing.

Oh had I but eagle's pinions, had I wings like the silver dove!

Far away would I wander, I would hide me in the wilderness.

On wings I would hasten to hide from the storm and fearful tempest.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Le

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

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 467 Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go

1.Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labour to pursue, thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do. 3.Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes my inmost substance see, and labour on at thy command and offer all my works to thee.

2.The task thy wisdom hath assigned O let me cheerfully fulfil, in all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.

4. Give me to bear thy easy yoke, and every moment watch and pray, and still to things eternal look, and hasten to thy glorious day;

5.For thee delightfully employ whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given, and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

POSTLUDE

Flowers are to the glory of God in loving memory of David Rogers, the gift of family also, in celebration of the 67th wedding anniversary of Heather and Norman Morris and the 92nd birthday of Norman.

Soloist Lesley Bouza

Readers Bob Cooper, Gerry Hill

Announcements for August 7, 2022

This Week at St. John's

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Knitters and Quilters

10:00 a.m. Communion Service

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (BAS)

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

Curate's New Appointment

We are delighted that our Assistant Curate, Rev'd Judy Steers, has accepted a full time appointment as Chaplain at St. John's Kilmarnock School starting September 1st. In this capacity she will conclude her role as part-time Assistant Curate at St. John's. We are pleased that the Bishop has appointed Judy as an Honorary Assistant at St. John's starting September 1st.

Sunday August 21 will be Judy's last Sunday morning with us as Assistant Curate.

Revd' John Lockyer is the celebrant and preacher on Sunday August 28.

There will be an Evensong on September 25, 4pm, to express thanks for Judy's ministry with us since October 2019. If you would like to contribute to a gift for Judy, please mark it "Curate's Gift". This donation can not be eligible for a receipt for income tax purposes.

August at St. John's

While the Rector is on holiday in August, Rev'd Judy Steers is available for pastoral emergencies.

August 14 and 21 the 9am liturgy will be held outside weather permitting.

Sunday 8am liturgy is suspended until September 11th and the livestream will not be offered in August.

Wednesday morning communion service continues in August at 10am.

Poppy Project

Poppy kits are available from the bin on the porch of the Parish Centre. Contact Barb Dunsmore for more information or come to the Knitters and Quilters on Wednesday at 9:30am.

Taking the Next Step

If you are interested to take the next step towards reconciliation, the Rector and Guinevere Kern invite you to join them to read through the TRC 94 Calls to Action in-person in the Parish Centre in the fall. Please let Judy know of your interest and availability. We will meet weekly for about 5-6 weeks.

Supporting St. John's

For Offering Envelopes please contact Steve Hornett through the Parish Office. Pre-Authorized Giving Forms are available at the back of the church. You can make an E-transfer to treasurer.stjohnselora@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity.

Anniversary of Apology

Yesterday marks the anniversary of the Apology for the residential schools from the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada. Archbishop Michael Peers, to the National Native Convocation in Minaki, Ont., Friday, August 6, 1993. Here are some excerpts from that apology:

"I am in need of healing, and my own people are in need of healing, and our church is in need of healing. Without that healing, we will continue the same attitudes that have done such damage in the past....I accept and I confess before God and you, our failures in the residential schools. We failed you. We failed ourselves. We failed God....I am sorry, more than I can say..."

With a response from Vi Smith on August 7, 1993, on behalf of the elders and participants of the National Native Convocation.

Thank You Stan!

This morning we are grateful to Stan Litch for sharing his musical gifts with us and helping to lead our singing.

BOOK CLUB this fall. Join us this fall as we discuss Brian McLaren's "Do I Stay Christian?: A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned." This is a great opportunity to ask and explore all those questions about faith, the church, that you have always been curious about, but wondered if it

was ok to ask. This book group will meet three times starting in early October (day to be determined). Pick up the book for summer reading. You can order it online. If you have questions, please contact book group co-leader Jon Warland at jon.warland(at)gmail(dot)com or call the parish office at 519-846-5911.

St. John's Four Areas of Ministry

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

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