

Church of St. John the Evangelist

*Elora, Ontario
Diocese of Niagara*

*August 14, 2022
11:00 am*

*Ninth Sunday after Trinity
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*

11:00 am Choral Eucharist (BCP)

Prayer books are available on the shelf in the transept aisle if you wish 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 Brevis in F

Herbert Sumsion

Processional Hymn 320 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

*1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain: alleluia!*

*Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers, virtues,
archangels, angels' choirs: alleluia...*

*3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
forebears in faith and prophets blest: alleluia,
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant,
raise the song: alleluia...*

*2. O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than
the seraphim, lead their praises: alleluia!*

*Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious,
magnify the Lord: alleluia...*

*4. O friends in gladness let us sing
supernal anthems echoing: alleluia,
To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three
in One, 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.**

(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 (quartet)

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: Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Reading Hebrews 11.29-12.2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Psalm 80.1-2, 8-18 (*plainchant*)

Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock;
show thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubim.

Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up thy strength, and come and help us.

Thou broughtest a vine out of Egypt; thou didst drive out the nations and plant it in.

Thou madest room for it; and when it had taken root it filled the land.

The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the mighty cedars with the boughs thereof.

She stretched out her branches unto the sea, and her boughs unto the River.

Why has thou then broken down her fences, so that all they that go by pluck her grapes?

The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up, and the wild beasts of the field devour it.

Turn us again, O God of hosts; show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Look down from heaven, behold, and visit this vine, and the stock that thy right hand hath planted,
and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.

It is burnt with fire and cut down; thy perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so
strong for thine own self.

And so shall we not go back from thee; O let us live, and we will call upon thy Name.

(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 49th verse.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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 286 Give Me The Wings of Faith

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

1. Give me the wings of faith,
to rise with in the veil,
and see the saints above, how great their joys,
how bright their glories be.

2. Once they were mourning here below,
and wet their couch with tears;
they wrestled hard, as we do now,
with sins and doubts and fears.

3. I ask them whence their victory came;
they with united breath
ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
their triumph to his death.

4. They marked the footsteps that he trod;
his zeal inspired their breast;
and, following their incarnate God,
possess the promised rest.

5. Our glorious Leader claims our praise,
for his own pattern given;
while the long cloud of witnesses show the same
path to heaven.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

During the Offertory the Celebrant prepares the elements for Communion.

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

Psalms 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 in 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 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.

Quartet: 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.

ANTHEM (quartet) **AVE VERUM**

W.A. Mozart

*Jesu, Lamb of God, Redeemer, born the virgin Mary's son,
Who, upon the cross, a victim, hast our salvation won.
From whose side, which man had pierced, flowed the water and the blood:
By thy sacred body broken, in death and in life be our food.*

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN 444 Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

1. Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age; the wondrous tale is written full clear, on every page. Our forebears owned our goodness and we their deeds record, and both of this bear witness: one church, one faith, one Lord.

2. Your heralds brought glad tidings to greatest as to least, they bade them rise, and hasten to share the royal feast; and this was all their teaching, in every deed and word, to all alike proclaiming one church, one faith, one Lord.

3. When shadows thickly falling, engulfed the world in night, you summoned forth your servants, your messengers of light, On them and on your people your plenteous grace was poured, and this was still their message: one church, one faith, one Lord.

4. And we, shall we be faithless, shall hearts fail, hands hand down? Shall we evade the struggle and cast away the crown? Not so; in God's deep counsels some better gift is stored: the covenant of promise – one church, one faith, one Lord.

5. Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone; with your right hand to help us, your people shall be one; and then, by all creation, your name shall be adored, and this shall be their anthem: one church, one faith, one Lord.

POSTLUDE

Flowers are to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Bermingham Fox, the gift of Colin Fox and Sarah Bermingham.

Quartet	Audrey Coates, Emily Burnett, Jeffrey Smith, Luke MacLean
Readers	Colin Fox, Susan Fox
Greeters	Patricia Reimer and David Campbell
Altar Guild	Susan Hirst, Barb Watkins

Announcements for August 14, 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.

Rev'd 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 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.

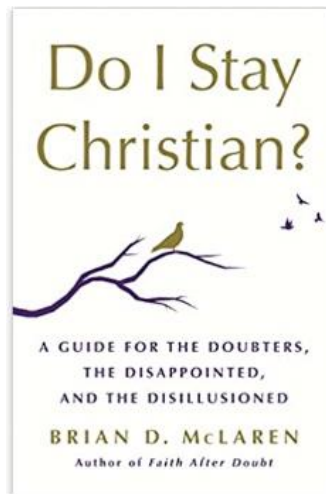
Please let Judy know of your interest and availability. We will meet weekly for about 5-6 weeks.

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.

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](mailto:jon.warland(at)gmail(dot)com) or call the parish office at 519-846-5911. **NEWS: If you don't want to purchase the book, but would like to borrow one to read, there are two copies of the book now available at the Parish Centre as 'loaners'. Please let Jon or Judy know if you would like to borrow one.**



St. John's Four Areas of Ministry

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

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