



*Church of St. John the Evangelist
Elora, Ontario*

*Choral Evensong
for the
Feast of All Saints
with Commemoration for the life of Queen Elizabeth II*

*October 30, 2022
4:00 pm*

4:00pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Welcome to St. John's Elora.

Hymn books, prayer books and hearing assist devices are available at the back of the church.

Face masks are recommended when indoors at St. John's.

This liturgy is live-streamed on St. John's Elora You Tube.

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.

(Congregation may stand for the procession)

Introit: Justorium animae

Charles Villiers Stanford

Hymn 275 O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be

O Quanta Qualia

*1.O what their joy and their glory must be,
those endless sabbaths the blessed ones see: crowns
for the valiant, to weary ones, rest;
God shall be all and in all ever blest.*

*5.Now in the meantime, with hearts raised on high, we
for that country must yearn and must sigh, seeking
Jerusalem, dear native land,
through our long exile on Babylon's strand.*

*4.There, where no troubles distraction can bring,
we the sweet anthems of Sion shall sing,
while for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise
thy blessed people eternally raise.*

*6.Low before God with our praises we fall,
of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all:
praise to the Father, and praise to the Son,
praise to the Spirit, with them ever one.*

O worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him. *Psalm 96.9*

Minister: Dearly beloved, let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

(Congregation may kneel or be seated 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.**

Versicles and Responses are sung by Choir.

Bernard Rose

O LORD, open thou our lips;
And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
O God, make speed to save us;
O Lord, make haste to help us.

(please stand)

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.
Praise ye the Lord;
The Lord's Name be praised.

(congregation may be seated)

Psalm 42 (sung)

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, year, even for the living God:
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my food day and night,
while all day long they say unto me, 'Where is now thy God?'
These things will I remember as I pour out my soul within me:
how I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God,
With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, a multitude keeping holy-day.
Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul? and why are thou so disquieted within me?
O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give him thanks, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
My soul is vexed within me; therefore will I remember thee
from the land of Jordan, from Hermon, and the Little Hill.
One deep calleth another, because of the noise of thy torrents;
all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.
The Lord will grant his loving-kindness in the day-time;
and in the night-season will I sing of him, and make my prayer unto the God of my life.
I will say unto God my rock, 'Why hast thou forgotten me?
why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?'
My bones are smitten asunder, while mine enemies reproach me,

while they say daily unto me, 'Where is now thy God?'
Why are thou so vexed, O my soul? And why art thou so disquieted within me?
O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give him thanks, who is the help of my countenance and my God.

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 21.1-4, 22-27; 22.1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them and be their God;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Magnificat St. Paul's Service

Herbert Howells

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel;

*As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.
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.*

SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 1.3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Nunc Dimittis

St. Paul's Service

Herbert Howells

*LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
according to thy word.*

*For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;*

*To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.*

*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.*

(Congregation may 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.

Versicles and Responses are sung by Choir.

Bernard Rose

The Lord be with you;

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

(Congregation may kneel or be seated for prayer)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: OUR Father 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.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King;

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people;

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Because there is none other that fighteth for us but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us;

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collect for the Queen

O God, the maker and redeemer of all, grant us, with thy servant QUEEN ELIZABETH and all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of thy Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection; that in the last day, when all things are gathered up in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of thy promises; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Second Collect, for Peace.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed:

Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Collect For Aid Against all Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Anthem And I Saw a New Heaven

Edgar Bainton

*And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:
for the first heaven
and the first earth were passed away;
and there was no more sea.*

*And I John saw the holy city,
new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.*

*And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying
Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,
and he will dwell with them,
and they shall be his people,
and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.
And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;
And there shall be no more death,
neither sorrow, nor crying,
Neither shall there be any more pain:
for the former things are passed away.*

Homily: Rev'd Canon Paul Walker

Offertory Hymn 325 Angel Voices, Ever Singing

Angel Voices

(An offering plate will be distributed during this hymn. Your donations support the work of St. John's Elora)

*1. Angel voices, ever singing, round thy throne of
light, angel harps, forever ringing, rest not day nor
night; thousands only live to bless thee, and
confess thee, Lord of might!*

*3. In thy house, great God, we offer of thine own to
thee; and for thine acceptance proffer, in humility,
hearts and minds and hands and voices, in our
choicest psalmody.*

*2. Yea, we know that thou rejoices o'er each work
of thine; thou didst ears and hands and voices for
thy praise design; artist's craft and music's
measure for thy pleasure all combine.*

*4. Honour, glory, might, and merit, thine shall ever
be, Father Son, and Holy Spirit, blessed Trinity! Of
the best that thou hast given, earth and heaven
render thee.*

Prayers for the World

**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 And Did Those Feet

Jerusalem

*And did those feet in ancient time,
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?*

*Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In this our green and pleasant land*

The flowers are to the glory of God
in thanksgiving for the life of Queen Elizabeth II

Readers: Lanny Fleming, Heather Fleming

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Welcome to St. John's Elora

We are delighted that you are here. St. John's engages our community through musical outreach, an ongoing rhythm of traditional and inspiring liturgies, community dinners, educational opportunities, and a commitment to work towards reconciliation with First Nations peoples of Canada. For more information on St. John's or how you can participate, contact the Rector or one of our staff.

Upcoming Events at St. John's

November 6 - Feast of All Souls

November 8 - Service of Compline at 8pm (Compline Choir)

November 13 - Act of Remembrance at 11am

November 27 - Advent Lessons and Carols with Parish Choir at 4pm and 7p

December 6 – Service of Compline at 8pm (Compline Choir)

December 18 - Christmas Lessons and Carols with Parish Choir at 4pm and 7pm

December 24 - Christmas services at 4pm (Volunteer Choir), 7pm (Parish Choir) and 9pm (Parish Choir)

December 25 - Christmas Day service with Quartet at 10am

Feast of All Souls

If you have names of loved ones who have died in the past year, and St. John's was not involved in the funeral service or burial, please print their name(s) on the sheet at the back of the church today. We will uphold them in our prayers next Sunday for the Feast of All Souls.

Calls to Action Reading Group

Join with others on Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:30 to read through the Calls to Action and reflect and learn together about reconciliation in Canada. A Zoom link can be provided on request or in the weekly Pastoral Letter.

"Do I Stay Christian? A Guide for Doubters, Disappointed and Disillusioned"

Saturday November 12, 10am. You are welcome to join others in conversation on the final section of this book by Brian McLaren.

Christmas Puddings

For sale after the liturgy outside. Gluten free options available.

Compline Choir

If you want to participate in the choir for the Compline Service on Tuesday November 8, please contact Patrick Murray. There is a choir rehearsal at 6:30pm and the service begins at 8pm. This is a reflective and meditative choral service to end the day in peace.

Poppy Project 2022

Over 9,000 knitted or crocheted poppies were received this year and poppy banners or garlands can be spotted at shops, lampposts, nursing homes, libraries throughout Elora and Fergus, and at the Wellington County Museum. Thank you for everyone who contributed to this memorial to peace and remembrance. This year, look carefully to identify some limited edition black poppies with gold edging which are a memorial to the Queen. The entire installation is a memorial to John McCrae, author of "In Flanders Fields." May we all commit ourselves to the work of peace.