



Church of St. John the Evangelist

*Elora, Ontario
Diocese of Niagara*

*March 28, 2024
7:30 pm*

Maundy Thursday

7:30 pm Choral Communion (BCP)

Welcome to St. John's

*Hearing Assist devices, hymn books and prayer books
are available from the Greeters at the back of the church*

Mass Setting Mass for Four Voices

William Byrd

Hymn 50 Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

Pange Lingua

*1. Now, my tongue, the mystery telling
of the glorious body sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the nations Lord and King,
once on earth among us dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.*

*2. That last night, at supper lying with the twelve,
his chosen band, Jesus, with the law complying
keeps the feast its rites demand; then, more
precious food supplying, gives himself with his
own hand.*

*3. Word made flesh, by word he maketh very bread
his flesh to be, wine his blood for whoso taketh;
and if senses fail to see, faith alone the true heart
waketh to behold the mystery.*

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.**

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.

COLLECTS

Celebrant: Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards us, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all people should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

People: **Amen.**

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 11.23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Psalm 116.1-2, 12-18 (*plainchant*)

My delight is in the Lord, because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;
Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the presence of all his people.
Right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.
Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant:
I am thy servant and the son of thy handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.
I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the Name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the presence of all his people;
Even in the courts of the Lord's house, and in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

GOSPEL John 13.1-17, 31b-35

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 1st verse.

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

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God,

got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord - and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. 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."

The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

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.

Anthem **God So Loved the World**

Libby Larsen

HOMILY Canon Paul Walker

Offertory Hymn 533 Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Aberystwyth

*1. Jesus, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer water roll,
while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide;
O receive my soul at last.*

*3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
more than all in thee I find!
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
heal the sick and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name;
I am all unrighteousness:
false and full of sin I am;
thou art full of truth and grace.*

*2. Other refuge have I none;
hangs my helpless soul on thee.
Leave, ah! Leave me not alone;
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head
with the shadow of thy wing.*

*4. Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound;
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart;
rise to all eternity.*

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

“Walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and sacrifice to God.”

- Ephesians 5.2

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray for Christ’s holy Catholic Church; for peace on earth and the unity of all Christian people; for all who proclaim the gospel of Christ’s resurrection around the world; for all of our loved ones who have departed this life and are at rest. Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church visible here on earth.

Heavenly Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed the disciples’ feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.

Lord in thy mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

On this night he prayed for his disciples that they be one. We pray for the unity of our church in our diocese and around the world.

Lord in thy mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

On this night he prayed for those who were to believe through their message. We pray for the mission of the church.

Lord in thy mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

On this night he commanded them to love but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved, and all who need our prayers this night....

Lord in thy mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

On this night he reminded them that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord in thy mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

On this night our Lord gave us this holy feast that we might proclaim his holy sacrifice and be partakers of his resurrection. We pray for those who have died....

Lord in thy mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

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. For the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and Man; who did humble himself, even to the death upon the Cross for us sinners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death; that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to 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, on this very 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.

Choir Agnus Dei

Administration of Communion

All are welcome to receive communion as a reminder of your baptism. The congregation is invited to come forward to receive the sacrament or a blessing during the signing of the Agnus Dei. You are welcome to participate in receiving the chalice by either touching the base of it, or drinking from it.

Communion Motet A New Commandment

William Mundy

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord,
that ye love together, as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.
By this shall ev'ry man know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Prayer after Communion

O God, who by the example of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, hast taught us the greatness of true humility, and dost call us to watch and wait with him in his passion: Give us grace to serve one another in all lowliness, and to enter into the fellowship of his sufferings; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, world without end. **Amen.**

(congregation may be seated)

Psalm 22 (sung)

(all linens and vessels are removed from the altars and chancel as the church descends into darkness)

(the choir lamps and narthex light remain on)

Please depart in silence

Readers	Pam Gradwell, Sharang Sharma
Choir	Lesley Bouza, Jennifer Krabbe, Rebecca McKay, Janelle Santi, Kate Wright, Rachel Barreca, Emily Burnett, Audrey Coates, Autumn Debassige, Jerome Chang, Lanny Fleming, Quade Nielsen, Sharang Sharma, Michael Cressman, Paul Genyk-Berezowsky, Alan Macdonald, Luke MacLean
Altar Guild	Pam Gradwell, Susan Hirst, Wendy Donohue, Barb Watkins, Thomas Littlewood, Wendy Boose

Good Friday

11:00 a.m.

*Solemn Liturgy with readings from the Passion of St. John,
with Parish Choir*

The Great Vigil of Easter

Saturday

7:30 pm

Gather outside around a bonfire for the blessing of the Paschal Candle, move inside to hear the stories of redemption by candlelight; proclaim the resurrection with ringing of bells and organ fanfare; renew baptismal vows, and celebrate the first Eucharist of the Easter season.

Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Volunteer Choir

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion with Parish Choir

St. John's Four Areas of Ministry

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

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