



# *Church of St. John the Evangelist*

*Elora, Ontario  
Diocese of Niagara*

*April 6, 2023  
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*

**Setting**    **Mass for Four Voices**

William Byrd

### **Hymn 190 Go to Dark Gethsemane**

Redhead

*1. Go to dark Gethsemane,  
ye that feel the tempter's power.  
Your Redeemer's conflict see;  
watch with him one bitter hour;  
turn not from his griefs away;  
learn of Jesus Christ to pray.*

*2. Follow to the judgement hall;  
view the Lord of life arraigned.  
O the wormwood and the gall!  
O the grief his soul sustained!  
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;  
learn of him to bear the cross.*

*3. Calvary's mournful mountain climb;  
there, adoring at his feet,  
mark that miracle of time-  
God's own sacrifice complete.  
"It is finished," hear him cry;  
learn of Jesus Christ to die.*

### **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.**

## LESSON Exodus 12.1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the Lord. I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to animal, and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. "This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

## Psalm 116.1-2, 12-18

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 13<sup>th</sup> chapter of the gospel according to John beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 O sacrum convivium**

Stephanie Martin

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received;  
the memorial of his passion is renewed;  
the soul is filled with grace;  
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

**HOMILY** Rev'd John Lockyer

**Offertory Hymn 199 Who Would Ever Have Believed It**

Ae Fond Kiss

*1. Who would ever have believed it?*

*Who could ever have conceived it?*

*Who dared trace God's hand*

*behind it when a servant came among us?*

*4. Yet it was the pain and torment*

*we deserved which he accepted,*

*while we reckoned his afflictions*

*must have come by heaven's instruction.*

*2. Like a sapling in dry soil,*

*he was rooted in our presence;*

*lacking beauty, grace, and splendour,*

*no one felt attracted to him.*

*5. Though our sin let him be wounded,*

*though our cruelty left him beaten,*

*yet, through how and why he suffered,*

*God revealed our hope of healing.*

*3. We despised him; we disowned him,*

*though he clearly hurt and suffered:*

*we, believing he was worthless,*

*never turned our eyes towards him.*

*6. We, like sheep despite our wisdom,*

*all had wandered from God's purpose;*

*and our due in pain and anger*

*God let fall on one among us.*

*7. Who would ever have believed it?*

*Who could ever have conceived it?*

*Who dared trace God's hand behind it*

*when a servant came among us?*

## 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

**Communion Motet Lamentations of Jeremiah**

Thomas Tallis

Here begins the Lamentations of the Prophet Jeremiah.

ALEPH. How lonely sits the city that was full of people!

How like a widow has she become, she that was great among the nations!

She that was a princess among the cities has become a vassal.

BETH. She weeps bitterly in the night, tears on her cheeks;

among all her lovers she has none to comfort her;

all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies.

**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.*

**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.**

*(congregation may be seated)*

**Psalm 22**

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

**Please depart in silence**

Readers	Pam Gradwell, Patrick Murray
Choir	Audrey Coates, Janelle Santi, Kate Wright, Lesley Bouza, Rebecca McKay, Emily Burnett, Autumn Debassige, Caroline Schmidt, Christina Stelmacovich, Jerome Chang, Lanny Fleming, Quade Nielsen, Jeffrey Smith, Michael Cressman, Paul Genyk-Berezowsky, Alan Macdonald, Luke MacLean
Video Technician	Rod Murrey
Altar Guild	Pam Gradwell, Susan Hirst, Barb Watkins, Thomas Littlewood, Wendy Boose, Mardy Langford, Dinah Bristowe

## **Good Friday**

*11:00 a.m.*

*Solemn Liturgy with readings from the Passion of St. John,  
selections from Bob Chillcott's Passion of St. John,  
and meditations on the cross;  
with Parish Choir and Volunteer Choir*

## **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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