

Church of St. John the Evangelist

Elora, Ontario
Diocese of Niagara

October 18, 2020
11:00 am

Holy Communion for Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
Feast of St Luke

11:00 am Holy Communion with Quartet (BCP)

Mass Setting Mass for 4 Voices

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Notes about your participation in this liturgy:

We ask that you wear face masks throughout the liturgy, refrain from congregational singing, and keep your physical distance.

A public washroom is available in the narthex for your use.

Our purpose is to provide a liturgical experience where you feel safe, develop a connection with others, and gain a sense of being spiritually grounded.

This liturgy is being video recorded live for those who are participating with us online from home.

Please turn off your cell phone so it does not interfere with our live stream broadcast.

All of our guidelines, approved by the diocese, are in place to express our care and commitment to one another.

If you have any questions, please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Thank you for your co-operation.

PRELUDE

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, it 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.**

Quartet: Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT

Celebrant: Almighty and everliving God,
increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to
what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of
everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR ST LUKE

Celebrant: Almighty God, who called St Luke the physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be
an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: May it please thee that by the wholesome
medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be
healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

READINGS

Psalm 99

(said responsively by verse)

The Lord is king; let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the Cherubim; let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.

**"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and
righteousness in Jacob."**

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One.

**Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his name, they
called upon the Lord, and he answered them.**

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave
them.

**"O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet
punished them for their evil deeds."**

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill;

for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

as it was at the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel

Matthew 22.15-22

Please stand as you are able.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel is written in the 22nd chapter of the gospel according to Matthew beginning at the 15th verse.

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

Reader Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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.

SERMON *The Rev'd Judy Steers*

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

While there is no offering collected, you can continue to give gifts to support the ministry of St. John's:

- Through E-transfer to treasurer.stjohnselora@gmail.com
- Online at www.niagaraanglican.ca/donate
- Through the mail slot of the Parish Centre door on Geddes Street
- In the stationary Offertory Box inside the EXIT doors of the church

"Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy" - Psalm 126:6

The Quartet will sing a hymn during the Preparation of the Gifts.

QUARTET *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.
Let us pray for peace on earth and for the unity of all Christian people.
Let us pray for our all who proclaim the gospel in this community, our diocese and around the world.
Let us remember before God 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 militant here in earth.

Leader: 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. Lord, in thy mercy.

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: 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. Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to 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 and all those gathered together with us online, that, with meek heart and due reverence, we may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired..... Lord, in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: 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. Lord in thy mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: 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.

People: 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

Quartet stands

Celebrant: The Lord be with you;

Quartet: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts;

Quartet: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

Quartet: 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 all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Quartet Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

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 gave 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 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, 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

Please stay in your seat as the sacrament will be brought to you. If you prefer not to receive the sacrament, you are invited to cross your hands over your chest to indicate that you would prefer a blessing from the priest.

When you receive the sacrament, please wait until the communion minister is beyond your two meter physical distance before removing your face mask and consuming the host (bread).

The sacrament is offered in one kind only.

The Celebrant partakes of the chalice on behalf of the entire community, gathered in person and online.

Anthem (*Quartet*) *Alleluia, I heard a voice*

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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

POSTLUDE *Prelude and Fugue in C*

J S Bach

***We ask that you remain in your seats and wait
for a Sidesperson to signal to you that is safe to exit the building.
In order to maintain safe physical distance
it is important to follow the direction of the Sidesperson.
Please exit the building through the south door
on Henderson Street (accessible doors).***

*Thank you for your participation today.
We hope that you feel safe, connected to others, and spiritually grounded.*

If you would like flowers in memory of loved ones or to celebrate an occasion
please contact Elaine Dightam at elaine.dightam@gmail.com

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You can call any one of us at 519-846-5911.

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Announcements for October 18, 2020

Join Us

You are invited to join in the Coffee Hour today at 1:30 on Zoom. Please ask one of the clergy for the link.

Today's Service

Today's service is livestreamed to the St. John's Elora YouTube Channel and posted on Facebook.

The Order of Service, the full text of the Sermon, and a link to the video are posted on our website under “Current Sunday Service.”

Registering to Attend an In-Person Liturgy:

To satisfy the need to answer screening questions, and to help us plan, Registration is required each week to attend an in-person liturgy.

You can register online at www.stjohnselora.ca before Friday at 6pm; or you can call and leave a message at the Parish Centre 519-846-5911 before Wednesday at noon.

If you have any questions about your reservation, please contact Thomas at reservations.stjohnselora@gmail.com

PLEASE check your Inbox or Junk Box for a confirmation email from noreply.datariverhosting.com

St. John’s Liturgy Online

Last Sunday over 140 people participated online either LIVE or later in the week; Morning Prayer on Wednesday had 65 views; and our online presence has had 1,387 views in the past month. Last week our Facebook page reached 199 people, and our Instagram reached 107 people. This has become an emerging and significant ministry for us. We are preparing a short video about the work of the online tech team, identifying next steps to improve and broaden this ministry, and how you can support it. This Wednesday Evening Prayer will be posted by 8pm on St. John’s Elora YouTube and Facebook.

Flower Delivery Ministry

Eight people have offered to help deliver flowers to people following the 11am liturgy on Sunday. Thank you for their willingness to participate in this new ministry of bringing a symbol of God’s love from the gathered community of faith at St. John’s on Sunday morning. It makes a significant connection with people. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please contact the Rector.

Book Study

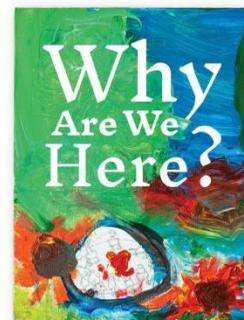
Copies of Mary Jo Leddy’s book, “*Why Are We Here: A Meditation on Canada*,” have arrived! Make arrangements with one of the clergy to pick up your copy, or have it delivered or mailed.

The book is available for \$12 (including tax).

If you are interested in participating in conversation about the book, we will schedule a mutually agreeable Zoom time for two or three one hour sessions starting later this month.

Mary Jo Leddy is a catholic nun, author, and founder of Romero House in Toronto. She continues to write and speak on social, interfaith, and multicultural issues in the Canadian context. You can find an interview of her by CBC’s Shelagh Rogers on The Next Chapter (2019).

Mary Jo Leddy



A Meditation on Canada

