



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

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Sunday, October 24, 2021

11am

*Twenty First Sunday after Trinity
Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost*

11:00 am Choral Mattins (BCP)

Welcome to an in-person liturgy at St. John's.

We all have a responsibility to gather safely.

According to Diocesan Guidelines (September 30)

Keep your face mask on, keep a 2m distance with people from other households.

There is no congregational singing; and tea, coffee or food will not be served.

The 11am liturgy is live-streamed to the St. John's Elora YouTube Channel.

There is no offertory hymn. You are encouraged to give your donation online electronically or using the "Offering Box" located at the church doors.

Please greet one another and socialize outdoors.

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.

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. – *Psalms 126.6*

Minister: Dearly beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

(you may kneel or sit 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.**

Responses are sung by choir.

Minister: O LORD, open thou our lips;

Choir: **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Minister: O God, make speed to save us;

Choir: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

(Congregation is invited to stand)

Minister: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Choir: **as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Minister: Praise ye the Lord;

Choir: **The Lord's Name be praised.**

(Congregation may be seated)

Canticle

Jubilate in C

Charles Villiers Stanford

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands;

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:

it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,

and into his courts with praise.

be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting;

and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOB

Job 42.1-6, 10-17

Then Job answered the Lord: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered

what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes." And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Psalm 34.1-8 (sung by choir)

I will always give thanks unto the Lord;
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord;
the humble shall hear thereof and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me,
and let us magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me;
yea, he delivered me out of all my fears.

O look unto him and be lightened;
and your faces shall not be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him;
yea, and saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him,
and delivereth them.

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

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.

Reading Mark 10.46-52

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

(Please stand as you are able)

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.**

Responses are sung by choir.

Minister: The Lord be with you;

Choir: **And with thy spirit.**

Minister. Let us pray.

(congregation is invited to kneel or sit)

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir: **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.**

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Choir: **And grant us thy salvation.**

Minister: O Lord, save the Queen;

Choir: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

Choir: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Minister: O Lord, save thy people;

Choir: **And bless thine inheritance.**

Minister: Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Choir: **And evermore mightily defend us.**

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

Collect for the Day

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Second Collect, for Peace.

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Third Collect, for Grace.

O LORD our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn 508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

(hymn is sung by choir, congregation is invited to stand)

*I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one,
lay down thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give the living water;
thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus
and I drank of that life giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.*

Homily Rev'd Canon Paul Walker

Anthem De Torrente (from Psalm 110)

*He shall drink of the brook by the wayside;
Therefore shall he lift up his head.*

George Frideric Handel

Closing Prayers for the church, the community, and the world.

(you may kneel or sit for the prayers)

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

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.**

POSTLUDE **Voluntary in G**

Henry Heron

Please allow people closest to the door to exit first.

***PLEASE KEEP A PHYSICAL DISTANCE FROM ONE ANOTHER
AND GREET ONE ANOTHER OUTDOORS.***

Flowers are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Leslie and Pow Lin James as they celebrate their Golden wedding anniversary.

Contact Elaine Dightam if you would like to give flowers in memory of loved ones who have died, or in thanksgiving for an anniversary, birthday or event.

You can contact Elaine at 519-843-5091

Readers	Chris and Jeannie Houston
Greeters	Bob Cooper and Ian Rice
Singers	Kate Wright, Lesley Bouza, Christine Stelmacovich, Emily Petrenko Quade Nielson, Lanny Fleming, Luke McLean, Michael Cressman
Video Technician	Steve Hornett

ANNOUNCEMENTS OCTOBER 24, 2021

Welcome Back

Welcome back to church “in-person”. Please keep a physical distance from people not in your household. Face masks are required at all time indoors, and when you cannot keep a physical distance of 2m outdoors.

For the purposes of screening and contact tracing it is important that you **register each week online**, before Saturday at 9pm, or if you do not have a computer, please call the office **before** Friday.

If you have any questions about your registration you can contact Thomas Littlewood at reservations.stjohnselora@gmail.com

Pastoral Care

If you know of someone in need of pastoral care, please contact a member of the clergy directly.

Keeping in Touch

Each week copies of the Order of Service and Sermon Text notes are mailed or hand delivered to a group of people who do not have access to a computer and may not be able to attend in-person services because of health restrictions. If you know of someone who needs to be included on this list please contact Susan Edwards through the office at 519-846-5911.

Poppy Project

Over 100 people helped create the poppy project to mark the centenary of the of the poppy as a symbol of peace and remembrance.

The outdoor art installation will be at St. John’s between October 25 to November 14.

There will be a special service with Act of Remembrance on Sunday November 7th, 11am. PLEASE REGISTER beginning November 1st if you plan to attend.

Christmas Puddings

Pam Gradwell will be at the door today to take your orders for Christmas puddings. \$20 for each pudding. You are invited to consider a further donation to support this labour of love, which is carried out with great care according to Diocesan guidelines. There is a gluten free option available.

You can pay through E-transfer at treasurer.stjohnselora@gmail.com or by cheque to St. John's, but please contact Pam Gradwell at pamgradwell231@gmail.com or Clare Johnston at clarejohnston21@gmail.com to place your order. You can also contact them at 519-846-5911. **Identify "PUDDINGS" on the memo line of your cheque or in the E-transfer description box.**

We are making a limited production of 100 puddings, so order early to avoid disappointment. If you have cans 28 oz or 14 oz size (796 ml or 398ml), you can deliver them (washed and without labels) to the Parish Centre before Monday.

Proceeds go to the Knitters and Quilters Group. In the past this has helped fund the Poppy Project, stained glass repairs, altar flower vases, altar linens, and other projects around the church.

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