

# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa

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This land we are upon is the traditional territory of the Algonquin people.



## TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10.15 am

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### PRELUDE

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 300

*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Generous God, we come to you on this day of worship,  
**a day of rest, a day in community.**

A day to be blessed, a day for offering,  
**a day for welcoming, a day of remembering, a day of reckoning.**

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

O God of salvation, we come to you in joy, for you have heard the prayers of the poor and raised up the lowly. Pour out your Spirit on young and old alike, so that our dreams and visions may bring justice and peace to the world. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

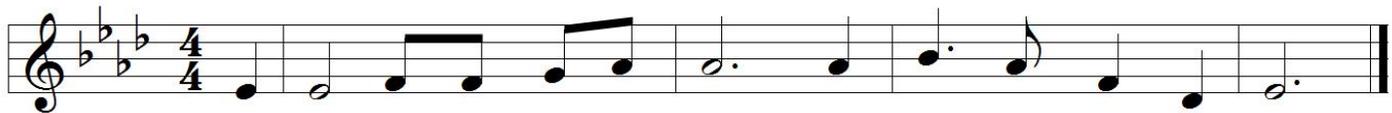
*Joel 2:23-32*

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 65



To You we com-mit our lives, to You who hear our prayers.

Praise belongs to You, O Indwelling Beloved,  
and to You we commit our lives, to You who hear our prayers!

To You we come when we go astray;  
When our transgressions fill us with guilt, You do forgive us.

Blessed are those who draw near to You,  
those who dwell in your Heart!  
Awaken us to your kindness,  
enter into the Sacred Chapel of our heart!

At the rise of each morning, and as the sun sets at night,  
the people bow their heads in reverent gratitude.  
You visited the earth and slaked our thirst,  
offering Living Streams of water;

You fed the hungry, and taught of Love's way.  
You watered hardened souls, filled with stone and weeds,

softening them with kindness, and blessing their growth.  
You crowned your years with abandonment, inviting all to Eternal Life.

In the desert flowers come forth, the pastures flourish with fruit and grain; Creation's diversity is glorious!

May all people honor these gifts with joyful song  
while walking the path of Love.

## **THE SECOND READING**

*2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18*

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GRADUAL HYMN 398**

*Let Us With a Gladsome Mind*

## **THE GOSPEL**

*Luke 18:9–14*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

# SYNOD REPORT

## ANTHEM

*Come Dwell in Solomon's Walls (Z. Randall Stroope)*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Even when we are faithless, Christ remains faithful. Trusting in grace, let us confess our sins.

*Silence is kept.*

Jesus, Master,

**have mercy on us. We keep our distance from you, for we are broken and sick with sin. Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole. Forgive us when we forget to return to you, have mercy when we fail to praise your name, and help us to exude the faith that makes us well. Amen.**

Hear the good news: your call has been answered. Christ has healed you, and forgives your sin. ✠ With glad hearts, return praise to God. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY HYMN 529

*God, My Hope on You Is Founded*

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Lord is here.

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Lord of all life, you created the universe where all things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth to discover and to cherish.

You give us the starry sky above, the sun and the moon and everything that gives us light.

You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, all the animals and every plant and tree.

You give us love that lasts for ever in your Son Jesus Christ, and in him you bring us close to you. You give us your love, and, even when we are unhappy, you wipe away our tears and fill us with your peace. You give us happy times and things to celebrate; in these we see your kingdom and taste a feast for all to share.

You made us all to love and to serve you; and so we join with the angels to sing your praise:

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - - ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might, heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo-ry. \_\_\_\_ Ho- san - na in the high-est. \_\_\_\_ Bless ed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_ Ho- san - na in the high-est, \_\_\_\_ ho- san - na in the high - est.

We thank you, loving God, because you sent Jesus, your Son, to be born and to live among us. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

On the night before he died Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples. "This is my body," he said, "given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples. "This is my blood," he said, "poured out for you and for all people to save them from their sins. Do this to remember me."

Loving God, send your Holy Spirit, that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and change us ✕ more and more to be like him.

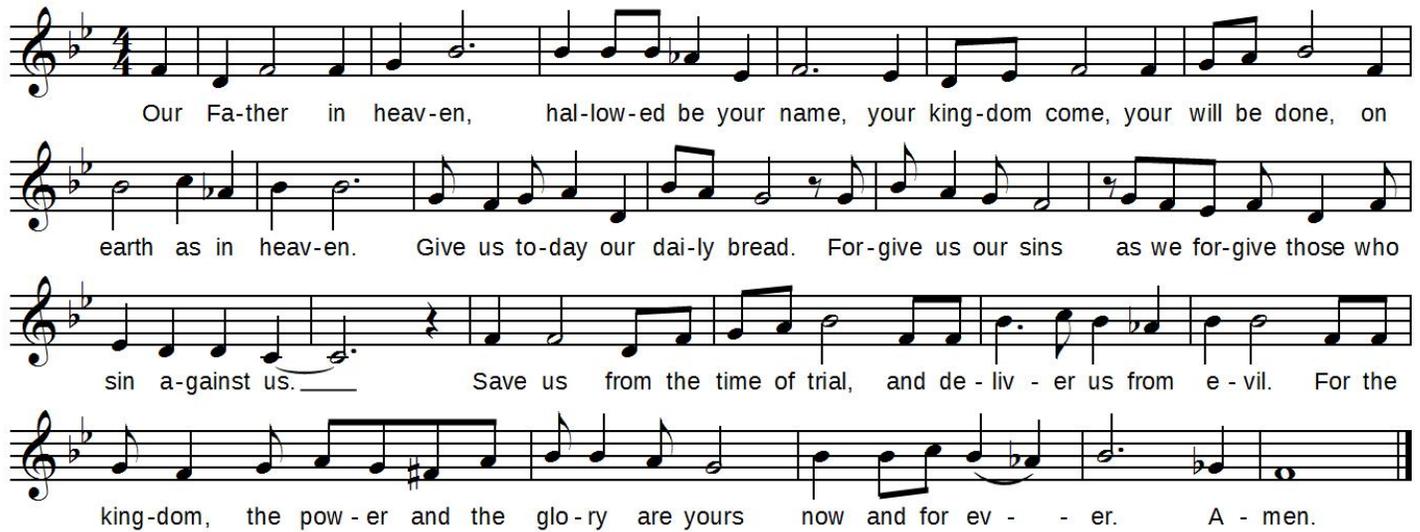
**Make us joyful as we celebrate his death for us on the cross and his rising from the dead; and share these gifts which strengthen us to follow him.**

Help us to love all people and to work together for that day when all the needs of the world are met, suffering is ended, and the whole of creation is gathered into your loving arms.

**With all your saints we give you glory through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, so we pray:



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on  
 earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who  
 sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the  
 king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev-er. A-men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Silence is kept.*

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE COMMUNION

*Come, Thou Lord Creator Spirit (Jeffrey H. Rickard)*

*Please request a gluten-free wafer if required or a blessing if desired.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God of generous providing,

**you have given us so many gifts that enrich our lives: the sacred writings that provide instruction; the community of the church which surrounds us; the love and sacrifice of Jesus; and the faithfulness and inspiration of your Spirit. We belong to you and all that we have belongs to you. Help us to use all these gifts to share your Good News to the world, as we work to establish your justice and peace. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

May God bless you ✠ in your body with health, in your mind with understanding, in your soul with the company of the Holy Spirit, that together we may produce a harvest of light to the glory of Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN 486

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

## DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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<i>Presider</i>	The Reverend Canon Beth Bretzlaff
<i>Deacon</i>	The Reverend Dr Caroline Ducros
<i>Synod Delegates</i>	Kathleen Arsenault, Bev Humphries, Jill Moll
<i>Director of Music</i>	Dr Gordon Johnston
<i>Guest Organist</i>	Matthew Larkin

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