

# 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 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 9.30 am

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### PRELUDE

*Elegaic prelude (Gerald Bales)*

### 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.*

You know us each by name, O God, and in your sight we have found favour, yet our minds cannot comprehend the vision of your glory or the vastness of your love. Grant, that as we glimpse your greatness, we may always return to you the praise that is yours alone. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

*Exodus 33:12-23*

Moses said to the Lord, 'See, you have said to me, "Bring up this people"; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, "I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight." Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.'

He said, 'My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.' And he said to him, 'If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.'

The Lord said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.' Moses said, 'Show me your glory, I pray.' And he said, 'I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, "The Lord"; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But', he said, 'you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.' And the Lord continued, 'See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 99

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.

## THE SECOND READING

*1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

*Matthew 22:15-22*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

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

## HOMILY

### ORGAN SOLO

*Intermezzo, from Petite Suite (Gerald Bales)*

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### CONFESSİON AND ABSOLUTION

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

*Silence is kept.*

Jesus 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.**

*During The Peace please remain in your place and acknowledge those around you whilst remaining physically distant.*

## **THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

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 taught us, let us pray,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **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.**

*Please remain in your pews, the Celebrant will come to you to distribute communion or offer a blessing. All wafers today are gluten-free. Please do not remove your mask to consume the host until the priest has moved at least six feet away from you.*

## **COMMUNION**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the 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**

## **DISMISSAL**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# POSTLUDE

*Sortie brève (Gerald Bales)*

*Please remain seated until directed by the sidespeople, we ask that you leave by the Elgin Street front doors if you are able. For the accessible ramp you should exit using the Somerset St door.*

*Please remember to sanitize your hands when leaving the building.*

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*Presider & Preacher  
Deacon  
Organist*

The Venerable Pat Johnston  
The Reverend Dr Caroline Ducros  
Dr Gordon Johnson

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