

# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa



## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 19th 2025 at 10:15pm

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You are welcome to participate in smudging as you enter the church to worship. Smudging is a sign of purification and peace offered to anyone who would like to participate. When the weather is too difficult to offer smudging outdoors – and at any time that you are in the church building, liquid smudge now offered (the medicines are steeped in distilled water and sprayed as a mist). Dry smudge is always available with the sacred medicines – tobacco, sage, sweetgrass, and cedar – provided as you enter the church. Rub the medicines in your hands and place them in the shell bowl; after use these will be respectfully burned. St John's is grateful to Indigenous members of our community for offering smudging.

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### PRELUDE

*Lied*

*L. Vierne*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 599

*Awake! Awake! Fling Off the Night "Church Triumphant"*

### WELCOME

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Dear friends, we gather this day on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Nation.

**May we always dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

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

**And also with you.**

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

*Isaiah 62:1-5*

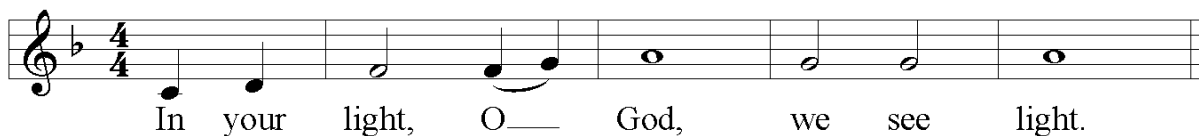
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Pour la cause de Sion je ne resterai pas inactif, pour la cause de Jérusalem, je ne me tiendrai pas tranquille, jusqu'à ce que ressorte, comme une clarté, sa justice, et son salut, comme un flambeau qui brûle. Les nations verront ta justice, et tous les rois ta gloire. On t'appellera d'un nom nouveau que la bouche du SEIGNEUR énoncera. Tu seras une couronne de splendeur dans la main du SEIGNEUR, une tiare de royauté dans la paume de ton Dieu. On ne te dira plus : « l'Abandonnée », on ne dira plus à ta terre : « la Désolée », mais on t'appellera « Celle en qui je prends plaisir », et ta terre « l'Épousée », car le SEIGNEUR mettra son plaisir en toi et ta terre sera épousée. En effet, comme le jeune homme épouse sa fiancée, tes enfants t'épouseront, et de l'enthousiasme du fiancé pour sa promise, ton Dieu sera enthousiasmé pour toi.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 36:5-10



Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;  
you save both man and beast, O Lord.

How priceless is your love, O God!  
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.  
They feast upon the abundance of your house;  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the well of life,  
and in your light we see light.  
Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you,  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

## **THE SECOND READING**

*1 Corinthians 12:1-11*

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL HYMN 631** *The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy*

*"Paderborn"*

## **THE GOSPEL**

*John 2:1-11*

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then

the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**SERMON**

*The Reverend Canon Gary van der Meer*

**ANTHEM**

*Cantate Domino - G. Pitoni*

**THE APOSTLES CREED**

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*The people are invited to confession.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY HYMN 437

*Jesus, Come, for We Invite You "Sicilian Mariners"*

*The collection plates are passed through the congregation during the hymn. Financial gifts support the presence and ministries of St John's including Sunday worship and our many community initiatives. Your support is welcome but not required to participate in the life of this community. You may choose to place a gift on the plate or give it to a greeter and the conclusion of the service.*



*If you already give financial support to St John's by other means – such as monthly Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) or QR Code – you are invited to place a small card on the plate (called a "PAR Chit"). PAR Chits are found at back of the church beside the nametags.*

**DONATIONS**

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Living God, you have revealed your Son as the Messiah. May we hear his word and follow it, and live as children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

May God be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift our hearts to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our creator.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the highest, ho - san - na in the highest. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the highest, ho - san - na in the highest.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,  
**we remember his death,**  
**we proclaim his resurrection,**  
**we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heav-en. Give us this 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.*

We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## COMMUNION

*O Lux Beatissima - H. Helvey*

*All are welcome to come forward to participate in the Eucharist. Please request a gluten-free wafer if required or a blessing if desired.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DOXOLOGY

Glory to God,

**whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## BLESSING

## RECESSIONAL HYMN 401

*My Life Flows on in Endless Song  
"How can I keep from singing"*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Postlude - L. Vierne*

## REFRESHMENTS

*The flowers are given in loving memory of John Patten and Paul and Erika Busing by Monica Patten, her children, and the whole Busing family, to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for lives well lived.*

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