

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 9th 2025 at 10:15 a.m.

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.

PRELUDE

Prelude in C Major - J. S. Bach

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 347

The God of Abraham Praise - Leoni

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.

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

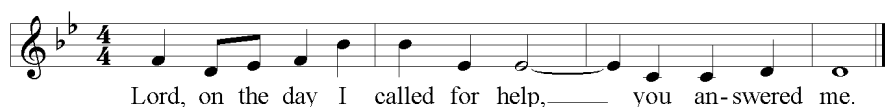
L'année de mort du roi Ozias, je vis le Seigneur assis sur un trône très élevé. Sa traîne remplissait le temple. Des séraphins se tenaient au-dessus de lui. Ils avaient chacun six ailes : deux pour se couvrir le visage, deux pour se couvrir les pieds et deux pour voler. Ils se criaient l'un à l'autre : « Saint, saint, saint, le SEIGNEUR de l'univers, sa gloire remplit toute la terre ! » Les pivots des portes se mirent à trembler à la voix de celui qui criait, et le temple se remplissait de fumée. Je dis alors : « Malheur à moi ! Je suis perdu, car je suis un homme aux lèvres impures, j'habite au milieu d'un peuple aux lèvres impures et mes yeux ont vu le roi, le SEIGNEUR de l'univers. » L'un des séraphins vola vers moi, tenant dans sa main une braise qu'il avait prise avec des pinces sur l'autel. Il m'en toucha la bouche et dit : « Dès lors que ceci a touché tes lèvres, ta faute est écartée, ton péché est effacé. » J'entendis alors la voix du Seigneur qui disait : « Qui enverrai-je ? Qui donc ira pour nous ? » et je dis : « Me voici, envoie-moi ! »

Il dit : « Va, tu diras à ce peuple : Ecoutez bien, mais sans comprendre, regardez bien, mais sans reconnaître. Engourdis le cœur de ce peuple, appesantis ses oreilles, colle-lui les yeux ! Que de ses yeux il ne voie pas, ni n'entende de ses oreilles ! Que son cœur ne comprenne pas ! Qu'il ne puisse se convertir et être guéri ! » Je dis alors : « Jusques à quand, Seigneur ? » Il dit : « Jusqu'à ce que les villes soient dévastées, sans habitants, les maisons sans personne, la terre dévastée et désolée. » Le SEIGNEUR enverra des gens au loin, et il y aura beaucoup de terre abandonnée à l'intérieur du pays. Et s'il y subsiste encore un dixième, à son tour il sera livré au feu, comme le chêne et le térébinthe abattus, dont il ne reste que la souche – la souche est une semence sainte.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138



I will give you thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise; I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, because of your love and faithfulness; For you have glorified your name and your word above all things. When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth. They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly, he perceives the haughty from far away. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; O LORD, your love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand,

through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures,

and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures,

and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.

Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

Kale mbategeeza, ab'oluganda, enjiri gye nnababuulira, era gye mwaweebwa, era gye munywereramu,

era gye mulokokeramu; mbategeeza ebigambo bye nnagibuuliriramu, oba nga muginyweza, wabula nga mwakkiririza bwereere.

Kubanga nnasooka okubawa mmwe era kye nnaweebwa, nga Kristo yafa olw'ebibi byaffe ng'ebyawandiikibwa bwe byogera;

era nga yaziikibwa; era nga yazuukizibwa ku lunaku olw'okusatu ng'ebyawandiikibwa bwe byogera;

era nga yalabikira Keefa; n'alyoka alabikira ekkumi n'ababiri;

n'alyoka alabikira ab'oluganda abasingawo ebitaano omulundi gumu, ku abo bangi abakyali abalamu okutuusa kaakano, naye abamu beebaka;

n'alyoka alabikira Yakobo; n'alyoka alabikira abatume bonna;

era oluvannyuma lwa bonna n'alabikira nange ng'omwana omusowole.

Kubanga nze ndi muto mu batume, atasaanira kuyitibwa mutume, kubanga nnayigganyanga ekkansa ya Katonda.

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Naye olw'ekisa kya Katonda bwe ndi bwe ndi; n'ekisa kye ekyali gye ndi tekyali kya bwereere; naye nnakola emirimu mingi okusinga bonna: naye si nze, wabula ekisa kya Katonda ekyali nange.

Kale oba nze oba bo, bwe tutyo bwe tubuulira, era bwe mutyo bwe mwakkiriza.

New Revised Standard Version

Luganda Bible

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 278

Jerusalem the Golden -Ewing

THE GOSPEL

Luke 5:1-11

May God be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break.

So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

The Reverend Canon Allen Box

ANTHEM

Ecce Novum - O.Gjeilo

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 430

Will You Come and Follow Me - Kelvingrove

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

God of compassion and forgiveness, receive our offering this day, and make us one with him who is our peace, Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

May God be with you.

And also with you.

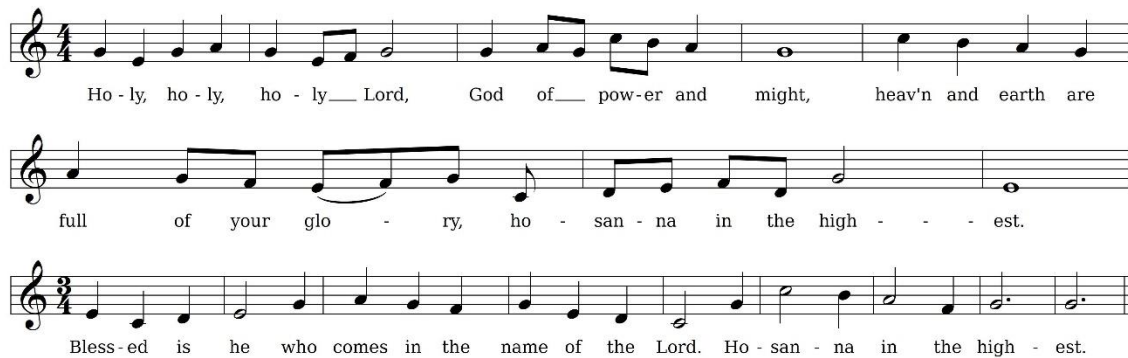
Lift up your hearts.

We lift our hearts to God.

Let us give thanks to God our creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. 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 pow - er and might, heav'n 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.

Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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." Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

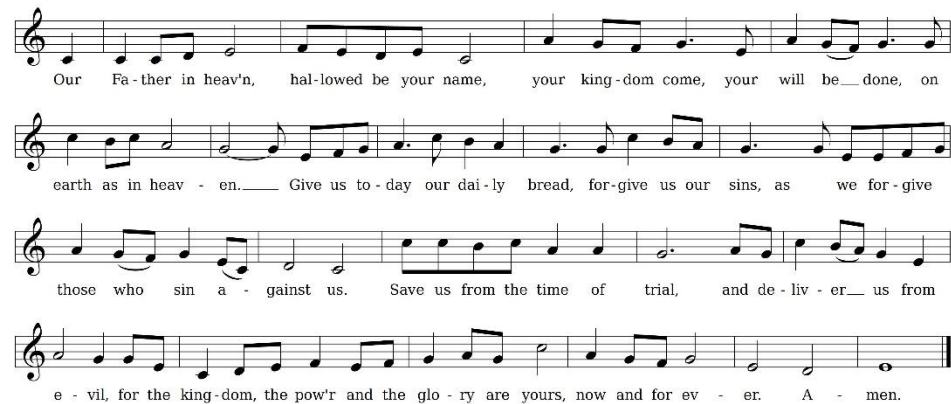
Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:



Our Fa-ther in heav'n, hal-owed 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'r 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

Agnus Dei from Requiem - G. Faure

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.

Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling. May we who share in this heavenly banquet be instruments of your peace on earth, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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 383

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun - Duke Street

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C Major - J. S. Bach

REFRESHMENTS

Thank you to the Strings of St. John's and Gloria Fox for their musical contributions to the service this morning.

Preacher
Presider
Interim Director of Music
Lead Warden
Crucifer
Server
Intercessor
Readers
Cantor
Communion Assistants
Sidespeople
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The Reverend Canon Gary van der Meer
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Sherrie Dagg
Jean Bosco Nkurunziza and Anastasie Barabiraho
Pat Fisher
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Marilyn Box and Jane Maxwell
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