

# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa



## THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 10.15 am

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### PRELUDE

*Adagio in a minor, BWV 564 (J.S. Bach)*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 300

*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

### GATHERING

Grace to you and peace from God our Creator, the love at our beginning and without end, in our midst and with us.

**God is with us, here we find new life.**

Let us give thanks for the coming of God's reign of justice and love.

**Jesus Christ is good news for the poor, release for the captives, recovery of sight for the blind and liberty for those who are oppressed.**

### BENEDICITE CANADENSIS

O give thanks to our God who is good:  
**whose love endures for ever.**

You sun and moon, you stars of the northern sky:  
**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

Sunrise and sunset, night and day:  
**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

All mountains and valleys, prairies and forests, rivers, lakes and glaciers:  
**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

You spruce and pine, maple and birch, mosses and grasses:

**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

Whales and cod, lobster and eels, trout and salmon and pickerel:

**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

Groundhogs and cattle, mosquitos and dragonflies, robins and crows,  
hawks and geese and loons:

**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

You indigenous and immigrant, women and men, all who inhabit  
this great land:

**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

All you saints and martyrs of Canada:

**give to our God your thanks and praise.**

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

O Jesus Christ, teacher and healer, you heard the cry of the blind beggar when others would have silenced him. Teach us to be attentive to the voices others ignore, and, by the power of the Spirit, respond in your name to heal the afflicted and welcome the abandoned; for your sake and the sake of the gospel. **Amen.**

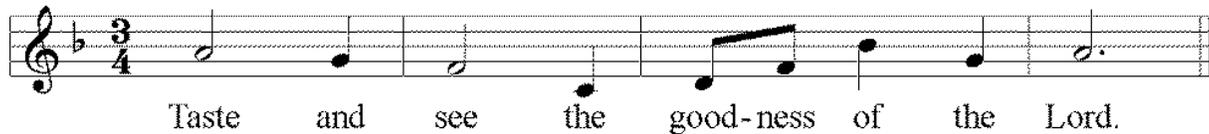
## **THE FIRST READING**

*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.

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

## PSALM 34:1-8



I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.  
I will glory in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;  
let us exalt his name together.  
I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
and delivered me out of all my terror.

Look upon him and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.  
I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him,  
and he will deliver them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!

### THE SECOND READING

*Hebrews 7:23-28*

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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**Thanks be to God.**

### GRADUAL HYMN 398

*Let Us With a Gladsome Mind*

## THE GOSPEL

*Mark 10:46-52*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

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.

The Gospel of Christ.

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

## HOMILY

## ANTHEM

*African Psalm (Victor C. Johnson)*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you all.

**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 offer thanks and praise.**

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the pioneer of our salvation, one of us, yet from the heart of God.

For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. Your love is shown to us, for while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

You pour out your Spirit on all. You empower us to know your truth and fearlessly to proclaim your gospel among the nations. Your love fires our hearts; and in your Spirit we hunger and thirst for justice in the world.

Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. Therefore, with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly; God of mer-cy giv-er of life; earth and sea and  
sky and all that lives de - clare your pres-ence and your  
glo - ry. Ho - san-na! Ho - san-na! Ho - san - na in the high-est!

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, with a triplet of eighth notes over the words 'giv-er of life'. The second staff continues the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff concludes the phrase with a double bar line, featuring a half note on 'glo - ry' and a triplet of eighth notes for 'Ho - san-na! Ho - san-na! Ho - san - na in the high-est!'.

Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper, he took the cup; 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, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come in glory.**

May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way. In him we offer ourselves to do your will.

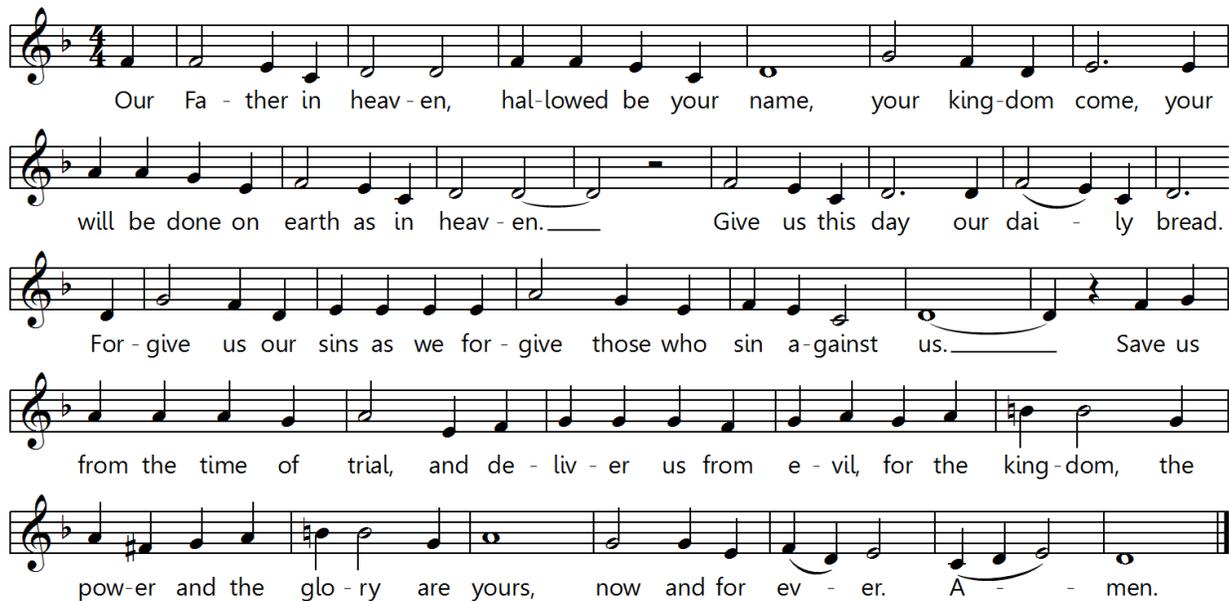
Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, ✠ feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God, in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and forever. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ teaches, we pray



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom 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.*

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God.

**May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

**Thanks be to God!**

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

## THE COMMUNION

*Do Not Be Afraid (Philip Stopford)*

## 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.**

Most loving God, creator and redeemer,

**we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory. Through Christ, and with all your saints, we offer ourselves and our lives to your service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to stand with you in your world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant, our friend and brother. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING

May Christ's holy, healing, enabling Spirit be with you every step of the way, and be your guide as your road changes and turns; and may the blessing of God ✠ our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN 210

*Yours Be the Glory*

## DISMISSAL

Grace be with you, go in peace.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Toccata (Georgi Mushel)*

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*Presider & Preacher*

The Reverend Canon Beth Bretzlaff

*Deacon*

The Reverend Dr Caroline Ducros

*Organist*

Dr Gordon Johnston

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