

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa

Anishinabe aking ate awaso kikinawadjichigan.
This land we are upon is the traditional territory of the Algonquin people.



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

JERUSALEM SUNDAY

June 2nd, 2019 at 10.15 am

PRELUDE

Folk Tune (Percy Whitlock)

OPENING HYMN 320

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

O God, you summon the day to dawn;
you teach the morning to waken the earth.

Great is your name. Great is your love. Alleluia!

For you the valleys will sing for joy,
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Great is your name. Great is your love. Alleluia!

To you the monarchs of earth shall bow,
the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

Great is your name. Great is your love. Alleluia!

Your love and justice shall last for ever,
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

Great is your name. Great is your love. Alleluia!

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Living God, mystery of love given and received: deepen our yearning for unity, so that the whole creation might share in your communion; through Jesus Christ, who makes known your love. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Acts 16:16-34

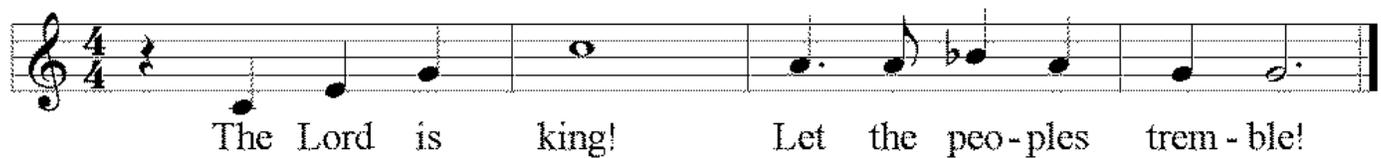
One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 97



The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
Clouds and darkness are round about him,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

A fire goes before him
and burns up his enemies on every side.
His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
The heavens declare his righteousness,
and all the peoples see his glory.

Light has sprung up for the righteous,
and joyful gladness for those who are true-hearted.
Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy Name.

THE SECOND READING

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."
Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 572

Let There Be Light

THE GOSPEL

John 17:20-26

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God;

who is older than eternity and younger than our next breath;

who is beyond describing yet knows us all by name;

who inspires faith yet cannot be contained by religion.

We believe in Jesus Christ, flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone;

he came in the body to give worth to every human life.

He touched the untouchable, loved the unlovable,

and endured slander, persecution and death.

We believe that God's Kingdom comes on earth through Christ's suffering love.

He rose from the grave as living proof

that what is laid down in faith will be raised in glory.

He ascended to heaven to be present at all times to all people.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

who leads us into truth and freedom,

who gives good gifts to all God's children,

**who works through prayer and politics, through justice,
care of creation and the healing of the nations.**

We celebrate the potential God has given:
**the life in our bodies, the yearning in our souls,
the promise of good things in store
for those who love and serve their maker. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PEACE

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN 278

Jerusalem the Golden

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Source of all joy, receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Keep us in the love of Christ and bring us to the vision of his glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, for you are the One from whom we came and the One to whom we will return. You conceived the universe, wove the world together, and hold all life in your hand.

You watch us waking or sleeping, you keep every tear that we shed, you hear every prayer we make, you know both our best and our worst, and you will not let us go.

So, with rain, wind and sunshine, with all that moves in time with its Maker, we praise you. With angels and archangels, with the saints from long ago, with our loved ones who are gathered round your heavenly table, we praise you. With the church throughout the world, with all who love Jesus and honour his name, we praise you, singing the hymn of your everlasting glory:

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 is he who was born among us incognito; who grew up without privilege or status; who walked the way to heaven through the back streets of this world; who told deepest truths in ordinary language. Blessed is he who touched and healed, blessed and disturbed without fear or favour; who showed inclusive love in all its unconditional glory; who, for all this, was crucified, died and was buried; who, for all this and for all of us, rose again; who, though high in heaven is present with us here and now. Blessed is he in all his love and beauty.

Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread; and when he had blessed it, he broke it and said, 'Take this and eat it. It is my body. It is given for you. Do this to remember me.'

Then later, during the meal, he took a cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he said, 'In this cup is the new relationship with God, made possible because of my death. Take this, all of you, to remember me.'

God beyond holiness, as we do what Jesus once did, let your Spirit move among us ✕ to settle on this bread and this wine, that they may become for us the body and blood of Christ.

And let that same Spirit stir our souls, so that as we share this sacrament, we may recognize our Lord and receive him, that he may be in us, and we in him, for ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Jesus taught us, we pray:

Our Fa - ther in heav'n, hal - lowed 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.

He who was buried but rose from the dead,
is present to us in this bread.

He, whose wounded hands were offered to the unbelieving,
reaches out to us in this cup.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. *Silence is kept.*

Eternal God, may we who share Christ's banquet be one with him as he is one with you.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and ascended Lord. **Amen.**

From where we are to where you need us,
Jesus, now lead on.

From the familiarity of what we know, to the wonder of what you will reveal,
Jesus, now lead on.

To transform the fabric of this world, until it resembles the shape of your kingdom,
Jesus, now lead on.

Because good things have been prepared for those who love God,
Jesus, now lead on. Amen. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May the light of God lead you, the power of God hold you, the joy of God heal you, the grace of God caress you, and the love of God bless you, ✠ this day and all your days.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 577

God of Grace and God of Glory

DISMISSAL

Alleluia, go forth in the power of the risen Christ.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Plein jeu à la Couperin (Gordon Young)

Presider & Preacher

The Reverend Canon Beth Bretzlaff

Deacon

The Reverend Dr Caroline Ducros

Organist

Dr Gordon Johnston

Liturgy: *A Wee Worship Book: Fifth Incarnation (Iona)* © 2016 Wild Goose Publications (Permission for use given by the Bishop of Ottawa, January 2019). Collect: *Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009)* Readings: *New Revised Standard Version Bible (NRSV) Anglicized Edition*, © 1989, 1995, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Psalm: ©2001 Gordon Johnston.

To find out what is happening in the parish, please see This Week at St John's (TWSJ) on our website or pick up a hard copy on the table at the Elgin Street entrance.

ST JOHN'S CONTACT INFO

The Reverend Canon Beth Bretzlaff, Incumbent beth@stjohnsottawa.ca

The Reverend Dr Caroline Ducros, Deacon caroline@stjohnsottawa.ca

The Right Reverend Dennis Drainville, Bishop in Residence dennis@stjohnsottawa.ca

BGen (ret'd) The Venerable John Fletcher &

The Reverend Canon Dr Gary Hauch, Honourary Assistants

The Reverend Michael Hicks, Honourary Assistant Emeritus

Dr Gordon Johnston, Organist gordon@stjohnsottawa.ca

Laura Macdonald, Church Administrator laura@stjohnsottawa.ca

154 Somerset Street West, Ottawa, ON, Canada, K2P 0H8 Monday to Friday, 9 am to 1 pm

(613) 232-4500 www.stjohnsottawa.ca
