

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.



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 4th, 2019 at 9.30 am

PRELUDE

Tune in E (George Thalben-Ball)

OPENING HYMN 5

Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies (Tune: Dix #160)

THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

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

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Gracious God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Hosea 11:1–11

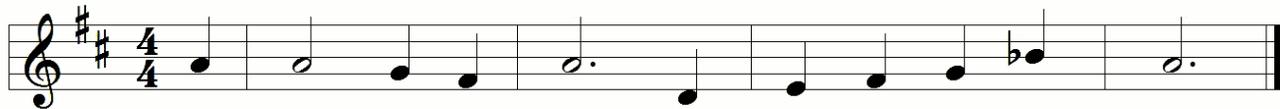
When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,

I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107:1–9, 43



A - wak - en our hearts that we might do your Work.

We give thanks to You, who are the Source of Love;

whose Light shines forth throughout the universe!

Come, awaken our hearts that we might do your Work;

For, without You, we can do nothing; 'tis your Love that loves through us.

Gather us in from all the lands, from the east and the west, from the south and the north.

Let all who are hungry and thirsty, whose souls are faint within them,

Cry out to the Most Merciful to give them succour, to nourish them with healing love;

For fear cannot live where love, grace, and gentleness abide.

Enter into the Great Silence, where you may hear the voice of the Beloved,

Who satisfies the hungry soul, and quenches the thirsty with streams of Living Water.

Whoever is wise, let them ponder these things,

let all people reflect on the gifts of the Beloved.

THE SECOND READING *Colossians 3:1–11*

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things – anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 584

The Church of Christ in Every Age

THE GOSPEL

Luke 12:13–21

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have

prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN 44

I Believe in God Almighty

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Jesus, our deliverer, we take your freedom from others. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, our hope, we deprive others of hope. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Jesus, God’s shalom, we distort your peace. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

In silence before God, we confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

God forgives you. ✠ Be at peace. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you all.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN 387

All Praise to Thee

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God our sustainer, accept all we offer you this day, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
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:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope
and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever.
Amen.**

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.

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!

COMMUNION

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God of grace, we have shared in the mystery of the body and blood of Christ. May we who have tasted the bread of life live with you for ever. 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 you be a new creation, Christ for those to whom Christ shall send you; and may the blessing of God our Creator, ✠ Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 631

The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

DISMISSAL

Grace be with you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C major, BWV 553 (J.S. Bach)

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