

ORDER OF WORSHIP
May 8, 2016
Seventh Sunday in Easter
Jerusalem Sunday



The Church of St. John the Evangelist
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HOLY COMMUNION AT EIGHT O’CLOCK

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Psalm 27:1-12

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Celebrant

The Reverend Paul Kett

Preacher

Archdeacon Ken Cardwell

EUCHARIST AT TEN O’CLOCK

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant

The Reverend Paul Kett

*During the Prelude we quietly prepare our hearts and minds
for worship and refrain from unnecessary conversation*

Organ prelude

Processional Hymn 246 **Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus**

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Opening Prayer..... p. 185

Children’s Focus

Children’s Recessional **Glory to God**

Collect for the Day p. 344

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Paul has entered Europe for the first time and is now in Philippi. He, Silas and Timothy visit the Jewish community, which meets “by the river”, perhaps at an outdoor “place of prayer”. Jesus exorcised evil spirits during his earthly ministry. Now Paul rids a slave girl of a demon. In leaving her, the demon’s parting words are the truth of salvation.

First Reading Acts 16:16:16-34 Jay Baker

Psalm 97 (sung by choir) p. 835

John comes to the end of God’s revelation to him. Jesus now speaks, identifying the risen Christ with God: he, and God, are both the beginning of creation and the end of it. Those who share with Jesus in being made “white”, that is, free of sin – by his sacrificial death – are blessed.

Second Reading Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21.....Alice Croft

Gradual Hymn 515:1,2..... **Thou Art the Way: to Thee Alone**

After the Last Supper and before walking to the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus prays to the Father for his followers and those whom they will bring to Christ.

Gospel Reading John 17:20-26

Gradual Hymn 515:3,4..... **Thou Art the Way: to Thee Alone**

Sermon

Archdeacon Ken Cardwell

Apostles’ Creed

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The Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Hear us, O God, **Response: Your mercy is great.**

Confession, Absolution and Exchange of the Peace..... p. 191

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Sentence: *Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may they prosper who love you! (Psalm 122:6).*

Offertory Hymn 592	Where Cross the Crowded Way of Life
Prayer over the Gifts	p. 344
Eucharistic Prayer 1	p. 193
Sanctus/Benedictus	Hymnbook 735
Lord's Prayer (music on page 918)	top of p. 211
Breaking of the Bread 8	p. 213
Agnus Dei	Hymnbook 747

<p>A Chalice has been prepared for those who wish to share in the Sacrament of the Holy Communion by means of intinction. It is located beside the font.</p>
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You are invited to receive Prayers for Healing: After you have shared the Sacrament of the Eucharist or received a blessing and would like to receive prayers for healing with the laying on of hands, members of the healing prayer team will pray with you, in confidence, in the meditation space at the back of the church.

Communion Hymn 57

Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist

Choir Anthem: God is gone up with a shout.....H. Willan

Post Communion Prayers p. 345, p.214

Transitional Prayer: Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new. In this time of transition, fill us with your Spirit, that it might quell our fears, and rekindle our passion to proclaim that Christ is in our midst. Grant us assurance of your healing love, that we may, with wisdom and understanding, continue the best of our past and present ministries. Bless us with vision and hope, that we might discern your will for us in the days to come. And give us the courage to leave behind all that hinders us from becoming the community you call us to be. Amen.

The Blessing

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Recessional Hymn 379

Rejoice the Lord is King

Dismissal (Response: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia**)

Organ postlude

The Postlude is the concluding offering of worship; Those who wish to leave during the Postlude are asked to do so quietly.

If you know of someone who is ill or in hospital, please contact Archdeacon Perry.

Prayer for Jerusalem Sunday

Written by the Most Rev. Fred Hiltz

O God, We give thanks that your dear Son has gathered us in the embrace of his redeeming love and sent us to make that love known to the ends of the earth.

We pray your continued blessings on the steadfast witness of the Church in Jerusalem and throughout the Middle East.

Give your deep joy to those who welcome the pilgrims seeking to know this land and its many peoples.

Grace those who proclaim the Gospel.

Guide all who teach a new generation of young people.

Draw near to those who are sick and bless those who tend them.

Sustain the hope in all who long and labour for a just and lasting peace in the land of The Holy One.

And may the companions of Jerusalem be many and faithful.

We pray in the name of our merciful Saviour, Friend, and Brother, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

For information

Diocese of Jerusalem

<http://www.j-diocese.org>

Canadian Companions of Jerusalem

<http://www.anglican.ca/gr/provinces/jerusalem/companions>

Jerusalem Relations

<http://www.anglican.ca/gr/provinces/jerusalem>

Jerusalem Sunday

<http://www.anglican.ca/gr/provinces/jerusalem/sunday>

The Prayers of the People – May 8, 2016

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for the Anglican Church of Korea, the Most Reverend Paul Kim, Primate and Bishop of Seoul; and for the clergy and people and our mutual mission and ministry.

PRAY for Robert, our Diocesan Bishop and Linda, our Co-Adjutor Bishop; for Colin, our Archbishop; Fred, our Primate; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Susan, National Bishop, and Michael, Bishop of the Eastern Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. In the Anglican Church of Canada we pray this week for Bishop Michael Bird, the people and clergy of the Diocese of Niagara. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada we pray this week for the Dean, council, and congregations of the Aurora Conference of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod.

Pray for the church in Jerusalem, for Archbishop Suheil and the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, and for Bishop Munib and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, that all may proclaim your word of peace and reconciliation.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for the people, parishes and clergy of Delaware Deanery, and especially this week for St. John's, Glencoe; St. Jude's, Mount Brydges; Christ Church, Port Stanley; and St. Hilda's-St. Luke's, St. Thomas.

FOR OUR COMPANION DIOCESE

PRAY for the Diocese of Amazonia, companion Diocese of the Diocese of Huron. Pray for the Bishop, clergy, and people of that Diocese, for the Cathedral Church of St. Mary. Pray for peace and safety in this area.

FOR MEMBERS OF THE PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, KITCHENER

WE PRAY this week Florentina Nitu, Hazel & Ralph Nobes, Gladys O'Hara, Kate & Peter Olijnyk and their families.

PRAY for Perry, our Interim Transitional Priest; Matt and John Paul, our theological students; for Ken and Paul, our assisting clergy, and the wardens and lay leaders of our Parish during this time of transition. Pray that we may plan for our future with unity of spirit, and with prayer and purposeful ministry.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, AND THOSE FOR WHOM FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Greg Sieling, a gift from Mindy Hurley. The flowers on the altar are also in loving memory of Bill Peacock, a gift of the family.

FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO ARE ILL

WE PRAY this week for Joan; Sandi; Isabel; Kyle & family; Devon & family; Colleen; Pat; Ted; Tracy; Marlin; Erica; Phil; Maggie; Bruce; Anne; Alan.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

For our mothers, and for all who have acted with love and care to nurture us and give us life and faith and hope.

For the people, and municipal government of Fort McMurray in this time of loss of property and income, of fear and anxiety, and of great need. May they know God's love and compassion as it is exemplified by relief and aid agencies, and by all who pledge support in any way. Pray for firefighters, emergency response teams, those providing emergency shelter, and all who are working to contain fires and bring stability to this community.

For members of the Transition Team of our parish, as they lead us in reflection and action that will give us new insight and vitality.

For all nurses, as we celebrate Nurses' Week in Canada.

For our parish and our Deanery as we offer support to Syrian newcomers. Pray for the Deanery Refugee steering committee, as they continue to enable the process of refugee resettlement here in the Region of Waterloo. Pray also for the government-sponsored individuals and families, that they may find support and acceptance in our community.

Parish Notices – May 8, 2016

Monica Place Appeal Envelopes have been inserted in today's bulletin for donations to Monica Place. Please make cheques payable to the Church of St. John the Evangelist and return the envelope by May 15. Our Parish contribution will be forwarded to our Deanery Treasurer. These gifts will be included along with your regular offerings in your year end tax receipts. Thank you.

Synod Prayers 2016. Your prayers are requested for the 175th Synod of the Diocese of Huron, May 15-17. A handout of suggested prayers is available on the table in the narthex along with a prayer vigil signup sheet. Please consider praying from the comfort of your home. "But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you (Matt. 6:6)."

Security: Parishioners are advised to not leave valuables unattended while they are participating in services at St. John's.

Getting to church Duke Street is closed between Francis and Young streets but getting to church is still easy. A good route is to head to the city hall garage, accessible off Young Street. Young Street is on the far side of city hall from the church. You may get on Young from Weber or King. The Duke/Young intersection is open. The city hall garage is free on Sunday. Sunday parking is also available in the WLU Social Work lot on College between Weber and Duke. The College/Duke intersection is closed so two-way traffic is now allowed on College between Weber and Duke.

CAUTION: College is two-way between Weber and Duke.

Walking from the Social Work lot involves a two block detour.

Please reserve the parking on Water Street in front of the church for those with handicapped permits and those who have to make drop-offs.

Pulpit Exchanges On May 22, 2016, Fr. Don Davidson will lead our 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. services while I am at St. George's of Forest Hill leading the 8:15 a.m. and 10 a.m. services.

Friends of the Garden Allan McKay is kindly inviting the Friends of the Memorial Garden to gather for a Garden Party at his home in Ayr on Saturday June 18 (time to be determined). To get there, take Fischer-Hallman South, jog right through Roseville to Northumberland Street, turn left over the 401, and through Ayr to a T-junction. Turn right, cross the river, and take the right fork onto Piper Street; Allan is two blocks up on the right, at no.176.

Fundscrip: The Next Fundscrip Order will take place TODAY Sunday May 8, 2016. Questions may be directed to fundscrip@stjohn316.com or by calling the Parish Office.

Eastertide in Church School: We are all one, together in Jesus' message and in God's Love. Each of us, all of us, with God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. The Trinity, sufficiently huge, invites each one of us in. Jesus is praying to God before he goes back to be with God. Jesus prays for all the people he got to talk to while he was here on Earth. And he prays for all the people who will learn about God from these people. Jesus is asking God to help him make all these people see that God loves them. Jesus wants the people to be one and to act together like God and Jesus do. Jesus wants the people to know that God loves them just as much as God loves Jesus.

May is Mental Health Month. Mental illness is a leading cause of disability in Canada. 70% of mental health problems have their onset during childhood or adolescence. Young people aged 15 to 24 are more likely to experience mental illness and/or substance use

disorders than any other age group. In 2012, suicide accounted for 17% of deaths among youth aged 10 to 14, 28% among youth aged 15 to 19, and 25% among young adults aged 20-24. The Health Council invites you to visit the table providing information about mental health.

ON EAGLES' WINGS The next issue of On Eagles' Wings will be published on Sunday, May 22. Notices, articles, news items and letters need to be submitted to Paul Millerd, by Thursday, May 19 for this forthcoming issue. You may send items to Paul by email paulmillerd@hotmail.com, or simply drop them off in the OEW mailbox in the narthex.

Ecumenical Prayer Shawl Ministry Gathering- Tuesday, May 10, 1-3:30 p.m. (doors open at noon) for all who are involved in prayer shawl ministry or would like to learn about it. Hosted by the St. Michael's Prayer Shawl Ministry, at St. Michael's Church, corner of 240 Hemlock Street and University Avenue, Waterloo. Bring your shawls to display. There will be a free-will offering. Prayer Shawl knitting and crochet books will be available for sale. Please register by Friday, May 6 by contacting Linda at 519-888-6954 or prayershawlathering@gmail.com

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK – May 9 – May 15

Tuesday May 10

1:00 p.m. **No prayer group this week

7:00 p.m. **No study group this week

Wednesday May 11

7:30 a.m. Early Eucharist with breakfast

7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

Thursday May 12

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday May 15

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Baptism

Diocesan Synod May 15 – May 17

Interim Transitional Priest The Ven. Perry Chuipka
Assistant Clergy The Ven. Ken Cardwell, The Rev'd Paul Kett
Theological Students Matt Kieswetter John Paul Markides
Churchwardens Charles Stuart Gillian Westwood Terry Rothwell
Director of Music Marlin Nagtegaal, BMus., MMus., U.M.
Choral Scholar Rebecca McKay BMus.
Parish Nurse Elsie Millerd, RN, BN, DipCS, MTS
Chalice Bearers Beatrice Orchard, Judy Shantz, Rick Van Buskirk
Prayer Ministry Intercessors Elsie Millerd, Ann Kelland



What is Jerusalem Sunday?

Jerusalem Sunday is an annual church observance on the seventh Sunday of Easter to celebrate and support the ministries of the 'living stones' of the Diocese of Jerusalem in Jerusalem, West Bank, Gaza, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria. Jerusalem Sunday is organized each year by the **Canadian Companions of Jerusalem** (www.anglican.ca/gr/provinces/jerusalem/companions). Relationship with the Diocese of Jerusalem is important for the Anglican Church of Canada, and the whole Communion, for learning and supporting the witness of Christian community in the challenging context of the Middle East region today. Many Canadian Anglicans seek to follow Jesus' footsteps in the land of his birth, life, death and resurrection. Many others also seek peace with justice in solidarity with Palestinians and Israelis leading this difficult work. The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem is our partner on the ground in these efforts and more.



The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem responds to human need with loving service

Mark of Mission 3, Anglican Communion

The Penman Medical Clinic in the town of Zababdeh in the Palestinian Territory of the northern West Bank provides much needed consultation, diagnostic, treatment and referral services to local townspeople and families from surrounding villages. The Clinic is a busy place every day, especially for women and children seeking treatment, prescriptions and basic health care. Over the past two years, Jerusalem Sunday and the Canadian Companions of Jerusalem have raised over \$30,000 toward the costs of diagnostic equipment and consultation room furniture. The Clinic has outgrown its original building adjoining the Parish of St. Matthew Episcopal Church, Zababdeh. The Diocese of Jerusalem is actively raising funds for the development of a larger clinic on the same site.

Reflections for the Town Hall gathering

Sunday, May 29 11:30am

Have you taken a close look at all the history we have around us at St. John's? There are pictures, plaques, carvings, pieces of furniture, stained glass windows and more. Each one is a reminder of the people who have gone before us to provide a foundation for our future.

The architecture is typical of the era in which the church was built. The sanctuary has a warm feel with fine acoustics. It fits well with the liturgy and the accompanying music.

We are very conscious of our location these days with the fences, detours and parking changes. Think what the location was like a century or more ago. Think what the area might be in a few decades.

What changes have you seen at St. John's? in the liturgy? the activities? the people?

Have you looked closely at the inscriptions on any plaques or windows?

The role of the Transitional Ministry Team is to assist the congregation to participate actively with their questions and ideas as we all imagine and prepare for our future ministry in downtown Kitchener.

We will achieve this by listening to and encouraging each other as we explore the developmental topics of heritage, mission, leadership, connections or relationships, and our future.