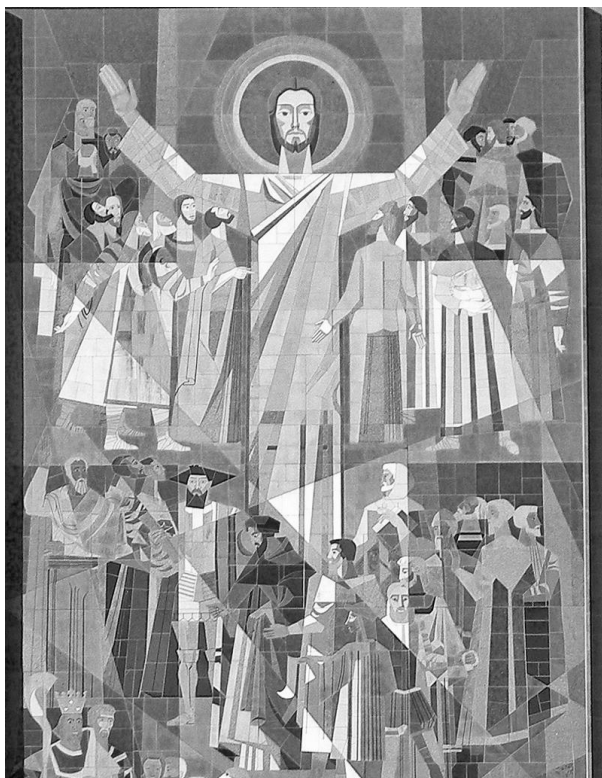


ORDER OF WORSHIP
September 4, 2016
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome to the Church of St. John the Evangelist. Thank you for worshipping with us. Whether you are a first-time visitor, a faithful parishioner or a returning friend, please know that you always have a place at God's table. As you enter today, may the gathering of this community strengthen you to take God's compassion and peace to a world in need of both.

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HOLY COMMUNION AT EIGHT O’CLOCK

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Psalm 86:1-7

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Celebrant

The Reverend Paul Kett

Preacher

Interim Transitional Minister Perry Chuipka

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 350 **Stand Up and Bless the Lord**

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Children’s Focus

Hymn 366 **Glory to God**

Collect for the Day p. 378

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Jeremiah, inspired by God, uses an example story, an allegory, to try to teach the people and rulers of Judah a lesson. People can choose to do good or to do evil. God notices when people turn towards him, and when they turn away.

First Reading Jeremiah 18:1-11 Jonathan Malton

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17 p. 896

Onesimus, a slave in Philemon’s service, has run away from his master and has visited Paul, who is in prison. While with Paul, Onesimus has become a Christian. Now Paul pleads with Philemon to take him back and to exercise leniency towards him.

Second Reading Philemon 1-21 Mark Haslett

Gradual Hymn 585:1,2..... **Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

Jesus tells the crowds what it takes to become a follower: you must put Christ first. He uses extreme language to make his point.

Gospel Reading Luke 14:25-33

Gradual Hymn 585:3..... **Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

Sermon Interim Transitional Minister Perry Chuipka

Apostles’ Creed

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The Prayers of the People

Ann Kelland

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. Response: Hear our prayer.

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

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Sentence: *Let your countenance shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes. Psalm 119:135*

Offertory Hymn 487	Where Charity and Love Prevail
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Lord's Prayer	top of p. 211
Breaking of the Bread 2	p. 212
Agnus Dei	Hymnbook 747

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.

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 177

A Spendthrift Lover Is the Lord

Post Communion Prayers

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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

Parish Notices

Recessional Hymn 587

Once to Every Man and Nation

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

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.

Interim Transitional Priest
The Venerable Perry Chuipka
Assistant Clergy
The Venerable Ken Cardwell
The Reverend Paul Kett
Deacon
The Reverend Matthew Kieswetter
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 for September 4 2016
Ray Cloutier, Beatrice Orchard, Rachel Prichard
Prayer Ministry Intercessors for September 4 2016
Elsie Millerd, David Sapelak

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK – September 5 – September 11

Tuesday September 6

Meditative Prayer Group

Wednesday September 7

7:30 a.m. Early Eucharist with breakfast

Thursday September 8

7:00 p.m. Altar Guild Meeting

Sunday September 11

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist – Sunday School resumes

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The Prayers of the People – Sept. 4, 2016

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for the Anglican Church of Tanzania, the Most Reverend Jacob Erasto Chimeledya, Archbishop, and Bishop of Mpwapwa; and for the clergy and people there, and our mutual ministry and mission. PRAY for Robert, our Diocesan Bishop and Linda, our Co-Adjutor Bishop; for Colin, our Archbishop; Fred, our Primate; Mark, Anglican Indigenous Bishop in the Anglican Church of Canada; 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 the theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, James Setee College for Ministry. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada we pray this week for the staff of the British Columbia Synod.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for the people, parishes and clergy of Lambton Deanery, and especially this week for St. Paul's, Point Edward; All Saints', Sarnia-Corunna; Canon Davis Memorial, St. Bartholomew's, and Trinity Church, all in Sarnia.

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 for David Shumaker, Andrew Sills, Sylvia & Reg Simpson, Grace & Hubert Skanes and their families.

PRAY for Perry, our Interim Transitional Priest; for Matt our Deacon, for Ken and Paul, our assisting clergy, and the wardens and lay leaders of our parish. 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 Hughie Gaudet – a gift of the Gaudet family.

FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO ARE ILL

WE PRAY this week for Joan; Isabel; Kyle & family; Devon & family; Colleen; Pat; Ted; Tracy; Marlin; Maggie; Bruce; Andrew & Inga; Martha; Ahmad & family; Heather; Miranda; Grace; John & family; Nicholas, Isabel, Bette.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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 who travel and vacation in these summer months, that they may be surrounded by your love and protection, and that they may find rest and refreshment.

Pray for students and teachers of elementary, secondary schools, colleges, and universities, as they return to classes. Pray especially for students who will be living away from home for the first time, and for young people entering school for the first time.

Parish Notices

CLEANING OUR CHURCH SANCTUARY- Sat, Sept 17 at 9:30 a.m. - Please mark your calendars!

The ACW will be organizing a fall cleaning of our Sanctuary, and we're looking for volunteers to help with dusting, washing, polishing, etc. We're planning to tackle this work the morning of Saturday, Sept 17. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to help out if you are able. Even an hour or two of your time will be greatly appreciated! A sign-up sheet will be available in the Narthex.

Volunteers are asked to bring their own rubber gloves. Cleaning supplies will be provided by the ACW, as well as light refreshments. Contact: Eleanor Brown (519)578-9519

COFFEE HOUR TODAY IS IN THE UPPER PARISH HALL: Now that September is here, Coffee Hour will be in the Upper Parish Hall and will continue in this location until summer 2017. Many thanks for your continued support.

WELCOME BACK & AFFIRMATION SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25th

We will be celebrating people coming back to our church, new comers and our own parishioners on Sunday September 25th.

Today we are distributing invitation / welcome bookmarks for you to take with you and hand out to people - friends, family, neighbours, acquaintances. Our hope is that this will enable more people to know about this important welcoming event at St. John's. We hope you will take some bookmarks and give them out to those people together with a verbal invitation to join us on September 25. We have some fun events planned for after church.

Church School at St. John's will resume on Sunday September 11th. Our theme this fall is *Worship the Lord with Gladness: God's Children in Worship*. We'll explore how people in the Bible worshiped, worship around the world, church symbols, church seasons, music and art, hospitality, prayers and creeds, the sacraments of baptism and Holy Communion, worship roles for children, and so much more. Watch for our announcements for updates!

ON EAGLES' WINGS The next issue of On Eagles' Wings will be published on Sunday, September 11. Notices, articles, news items and letters need to be submitted to Paul Millerd, by Thursday, September 8 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.

Fundscrip Gift Cards/Cash Cards The next order will be placed Sunday, September 11! This is the perfect time to buy anything you need for fall, as well as your every day gas and groceries. For many people the season of is a time to think of those in need, and to turn those thoughts into action and support. Consider purchasing a card for someone in need - either someone you know or donate the card to an organization that will distribute it. Parishioners have also used the program to purchase grocery cards for the Rector to distribute through the Rector's Discretionary Fund, an example of the generous outreach that our parishioners routinely perform.

We are looking for new volunteers to help administer the Fundscrip gift cards. If you are interested, speak to Matt or Leslie Kieswetter at church or at 226-600-9096. It would involve taking orders once a month and handing cards out the following week. More information is found in the job description on the narthex table.

St. John's Fall Harvest Renew Dinner 2016

This year's Fall Harvest Renew Dinner will take place on Saturday, September 24, starting at 6:00 pm. The menu will include Chicken Fricasee (herbed chicken with a creamy mushroom sauce), Rice Pilaff, Mixed Seasonal Vegetables, and Peach Cobbler. There will also be a vegetarian option of Tofu Fricasee. Complimentary wine will be available by the glass. And back by popular acclaim, Jazzcafénoir will entertain with their mix of Latin jazz and French chanson. Volunteers are welcome to assist in preparing food, welcoming guests, serving, and cleaning up. If you are able to volunteer for this event, please add your name to the signup sheet in the Narthex.

The Fall Harvest Renew Dinner offers an opportunity for fellowship as well as an occasion to celebrate the bounty of God's Creation in the local produce of Waterloo Region. This year it also initiates a limited campaign towards raising funds for the renovation of the Upper Parish Hall. As such, there will be no charge for admission to the event, but freewill offerings to defray costs will be much appreciated. Seating is limited for the dinner, so tickets will be issued to those who plan to attend. They may be obtained from Charles Stuart following the 10:00 am service in the Upper Parish Hall or from the church secretary during office hours.

Those who are driving to the church will find only limited street parking. However, free parking is available at the municipal parking lots at City Hall and off Water Street between King and Charles. Parking is also available in the vacant lot beside the church on Duke and College. Thank you.

ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER: Different Strokes for Different Folks: Prayer and Personality, Sat. October 1, 2016, 10am-3pm, St. Jude's Church, 1537 Adelaide, London, ON.

Join us as we explore the idea that our different personalities affect our prayer preferences and experiences. Our day will consist of a general discussion on the characteristics of prayer, and a personality assessment, followed by several presentations. These will address how particular personality styles relate to both structured and extemporaneous prayer. As well our day will include the Eucharist, time for fellowship, and book browsing. Snacks provided. Please bring a bag lunch. Freewill offering.

To register please contact:

Rev'd Kim Metelka: kametelka@gmail.com; or text info to 519-464-8892; or by post to 2896 Old Lakeshore Road, Bright's Grove, ON N0N 1C0; or telephone 519-869-2403.

Bishop Bob's retirement dinner: Save the date!! On Friday, October 14th in the evening we will be having a retirement celebration for Bishop Bob Bennett at the London Convention Centre. All are invited to attend. Further details will be forthcoming shortly.

Bishop Bob Bennett will collate the Venerable Greg Jenkins as Archdeacon of Waterloo on **Wednesday, September 14, 2016**, The Feast of the Holy Cross, at **7pm at Trinity Church, 12 Blair Rd, Cambridge**. The preacher will be the Reverend Ray Jenkins. A reception will follow the service. Clergy are invited to vest, the colour being red.

Erin Dance, the daughter of our retired Suffragan Bishop, Terry Dance, was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia in early 2016. The best treatment for this type of Leukemia is a stem cell transplant. While her brother is a perfect match, a transplant is only possible if the cancer is in remission. The chemotherapy, thus far, has not achieved that. All treatment options in Canada have been exhausted. There is hope, however, in clinical trials taking place at the MD Anderson Cancer Center in Texas. Please pray for Erin and the Dance family. If you are interested in supporting them by helping cover the high financial costs associated with this treatment, you may do so in one of the following ways:

- Send a cheque made out to Bishop Terry Dance to Huron Church House, 190 Queens Ave., London, ON, N6A 6H7. The Diocese will pass on all cheques to the Dance family.

- Support them through the following website:

<https://www.gofundme.com/helpforerindance>