

**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**Pentecost XXV (Remembrance Sunday)**  
**November 14 2021**



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**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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## EUCCHARIST AT TEN O'CLOCK

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev'd Dr Preston Parsons
Reader	Marianne Mellinger
Tech Support	Mohan Thomas
Organist	Bill Hutton
Singers	Claire Smith, Sue Doran James Brown, Bruce Wheatcroft

### The Gathering of the Community

Prelude	Benedictus - Alec Rowley
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### Act of Remembrance

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty God, You are our refuge and strength; we humble ourselves in Your presence, and, remembering the great things You have done for us, we lift up our hearts in adoration and praise. As You have gathered us together this day, we give You thanks for all who served their country in time of trial; especially those members of St. John the Evangelist, Kitchener. We remember them in silence.

*2 minutes of silence*

*Presider* They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

*All* **We will remember them.**

*Presider* Out of the darkness of our divided world we cry to you, O God. Let not our hopes perish, nor our sacrifice be in vain. Turn to yourself the hearts of rulers and peoples, that a new world may rise where all people may live as your creation in the bond of your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*Presider* Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we bless You again for the remembrance of this day. You make wars to cease to the end of the earth; You break the bow and cut the spear in sunder, and burn the chariot in the fire. Cause us to be still, and to know that You are God.

*All* **Amen.**

*Presider* In memory of those who have died in the service of others, O God, make us better people, and give peace in our time.

*All* **Amen.**

*The Royal Anthem and O Canada are played on the organ*

*all prayers taken from the Royal Canadian Legion's Chaplain's Manual, 2015*

### The Procession and Greeting

*Presider* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Almighty God,  
*All* **to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Hymn 528 O God, Our Help in Ages Past**

*If you are attending in-person, please refrain from singing our hymns--though we do welcome you to  
read and inwardly digest the hymn text.*

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:

under the shadow of thy throne  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received its frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone,  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

Time like an ever-rolling stream  
bears all our years away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*The community prays silently. The presider then says the collect. The people respond,*  
*People        Amen.*

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

*Reader        A reading from Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25*

*The lesson is read.*

*Reader        The Word of the Lord.*

*People        Thanks be to God.*

### **Canticle**

My soul is filled with joy in my Redeemer,  
For God has lifted me and set me high.  
There is no Holy One, no Rock like our God,  
Who answered my request, who heard my cry.

All those who talk with pride now see who God is,  
Who weighs our deeds and knows our every move.  
Proud ones are humbled, but the poor are lifted;  
All might and power are yours, O God of love.

The strong have fallen, but the weak are strengthened;  
Those who were hungry have enough to spare.  
She who was barren sees her children's children;  
All things are ever in your loving care.

O God, you set the earth on sure foundations;  
Help for your saints is found in your alone.  
Those who oppose your truth will fall in judgement,  
But you will strengthen your anointed one.

### **Song of Hannah**

## The Gospel

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark. (13:1-8)

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

*The Gospel is read.*

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

Sermon The Rev'd Dr Preston Parsons

*A silence for reflection follows.*

## The Apostles' Creed

*Presider* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

*All* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,**

**his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again**

**to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

*The Intercessor will bid the prayers. The congregation responds:*

*Reader* God, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

## Confession and Absolution

*The presider bids the confession.*

*Silence is kept.*

*Presider* Most merciful God,

*All* **we confess that we have**

**sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed,**

by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our  
neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.

*The presider gives absolution.*

**The Peace**

## Offertory

*Please use the plate near the entrance for your offering now, or at the end of the service.*

### Days Was Theirs

John Barnard

Day was theirs, their time to live;  
their day goes, their time to give;  
theirs to give and we receive,  
for them we thank you, Lord.

Night is ours, for us who live,  
Night is here, our time to grieve,  
One thing sure, that we believe  
Your love brings healing, Lord

Heal us, Lord. May we who grieve  
hear above life's noise, "Believe!"  
trust your word, in faith receive  
your welcome "Come to me!"

## Prayer over the Gifts

*The presider says a prayer over the offerings.*

## Eucharistic Prayer

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider* We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,  
through your beloved Son ...  
... Now with all creation we raise our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

## Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymn 689

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*Presider* Holy and gracious God, accept our praise ...  
... All glory and honour are yours,  
Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit  
in the holy Church, now and forever.

*People* **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Presider* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

*All* **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Fraction**

### **The Invitation**

*Presider* The gifts of God, for the people of God.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Lamb of God**

### **Hymn 690**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.

## **Communion**

*Please line up for communion, at a safe distance, in the centre aisle. After approaching the ministrant, hold out your hands, being careful not to touch hands. The ministrant will drop the bread in your hand. Once you've received the bread in your hand: step aside, remove your mask, eat the bread, replace your mask, and make your way back to your seat by the side aisle.*

### **Hymn 57**

### **Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist**

*If you are attending in-person, please refrain from singing our hymns--though we do welcome you to read and inwardly digest the hymn text.*



Thou, who at the first eucharist didst pray  
that all thy church might be forever one,  
grant us at every eucharist to say  
with longing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."  
O may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.

For all thy church, O Lord, we intercede;  
make thou our sad division soon to cease;  
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,  
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace.  
Thus may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,  
may we be one with all thy church above,  
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,  
one with thy saints in one unbounded love;  
more blessed still, in peace and love to be  
one with the Trinity in Unity.

## Prayer After Communion

*Presider* Let us pray.

*The community prays silently. The presider then says the prayer after communion. The people respond,*

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* Glory to God,  
*All* **whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Parish Notices

## **The Blessing**

*The presider blesses the people.*

## **Dismissal**

*The presider dismisses the people. The people respond, saying,*

*All*                **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude        Fugue sur le thème du Carillon des Heures de la cathédrale de Soissons  
Maurice Duruflé

## **Parish Announcements and Events**

**Memorial Flowers** The flowers on the Altar are given in Thanksgiving for all our Veterans and in memory of all those who have given their lives to preserve our peace. A gift of the ACW.

**Pudding Factory** Today is the last day to pick up your pudding order. You can pick up your puddings in the UPH following the service. Only pre-ordered puddings are available. Thank you to all the volunteers and customers who made the 2021 Pudding Factory a success. See you next year!

**Truck Needed** In our ongoing effort to declutter the church, the Property Committee would like to borrow a pick-up truck or trailer for a Saturday clean up. If you have, or know of someone who has a truck or trailer please talk to Dave Sapelak. Email: [dbsapelak@gmail.com](mailto:dbsapelak@gmail.com) or phone: (519)577-5713

**Climate Justice Banner** Please take note of the Climate Justice Banner hanging on the wall next to the Duke Street door. The banner is sponsored by Faith Climate Justice Waterloo Region which is "a growing collective of faith communities in Waterloo Region who are deeply concerned about both the climate crisis and recovering justly from the COVID-19 pandemic". Thanks to Al Coughlin and Simon Guthrie for hanging the banner for us.

**Monica Place:** For more than 50 years, Monica Place has been providing a residence, supportive housing, training and counselling to young mothers and their babies.

St. John's has been making an annual donation to Monica Place for many years. In this year of Covid restrictions, the opportunity to make in person contributions at the church is limited but if you would like to contribute to this very worthwhile organization, there are options available.

1) If you would like to donate a gift card, please leave it in the church office. Place it in an envelope and drop it through the office door mail slot. Please clearly label that it is for Monica Place and write the dollar amount on the card.

2) If you are attending Sunday services, you could give it to the warden on duty to be placed in the office ACW mail slot.

3) If you'd prefer to make a financial donation, make the cheque out to Monica Place. A tax receipt will be sent to you. Alternatively, you can donate through the Canada Helps website. Donating this way will give you a tax receipt at the time of donation.

\*\*\*Please note\*\*\*

- Gift cards from local grocery/ drugstores, Walmart are popular. Indicate dollar amount on the card.

- Donations will be accepted until Nov. 28.

For more details about Monica Place, please see the latest edition of On Eagles Wings.

**Poinsettias for Christmas 2021** As another Christmas season approaches, St John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Kitchener is selling Poinsettias as a fundraiser for the church. Flowers bring much joy, and they are a wonderful way to decorate for the holiday season.

These luxurious Christmas plants make wonderful family gifts, hostess gifts and lend themselves to donating to the church in memory of a loved one/ones for Christmas decorating. Any memorial donations will be noted in the Christmas bulletin with both "In memory of" and "Donated by". Many

people buy poinsettias at this time of year and we would like to encourage you to tell your extended family and friends about our programme.

To order please call either Andrea Balfour (519-501-2016) or Nik Ward-Campbell (519-501-0456) and use Visa or Mastercard to pay. Cut off date for ordering will be Sunday November 14th

You will also be able to order in person and pay at the church during Christmas Pudding pick up on November 13th and 14th.

The plants will be available in 4 different sizes and three different colours, Red, White and Pink.

Size (Pot diameter)	Price (including HST)
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4 ½ " pots	\$ 8.00
6 ½ " pots	\$15.00
8" pots	\$25.00
10" pots	\$35.00

**Jean's Baking Short Bread Again** If shortbreads are ordered before puddings are available for pickup, they can be picked up together (November 13th). Also, Jean will be baking shortbread right up until the week of Christmas. They are offering delivery. The price is \$5 a dozen. Orders can be placed with Jean at 519-390-0213

**Disrupted Parking on Water Street** Water Street North (and South) will be closed as of Tuesday 12 October for the reconstruction of the street and gas service. This work will continue until late November, weather permitting.

This means that parking on Water Street will be disrupted.

As a reminder, parking is still available behind St. Jerome's, as well as in the City parking lot at Duke and Ontario, where parking is free on Sundays.

**Office Hours** Office hours are Monday-Friday, 9am to noon. We are working both from the office as well as from home. Please contact the office ahead of time if you need to visit.

**Medical Assessments** A note from St. John's parishioner, and Benton Medical Clinic Manager, Melanie Horst:

The Ministry of Health has recently approved telephone assessments to minimize traffic in a medical facility and to reduce exposure. Effective today, my office is now able to offer that. I have spoken with my physicians and they have approved for me to offer this to our church members and community. Many family practice offices are beginning to do this but not all at this time.

If any member of our church or community requires to speak with a physician but would rather not go into a medical facility or leave their home, they may contact me directly and I can register them for a telephone consultation with one of our physicians. Obviously there will be limits to their ability with no physical examinations but will be attempting to cover all care as best as possible in this current climate. They will be able to prescribe medication for acute issues, order lab work or imaging if needed. If this is something that would help anyone please have them contact me by email ([melanieh@bentonmedicalclinic.com](mailto:melanieh@bentonmedicalclinic.com)) or my cell (519-841-8921).

**Donation Options** There are many ways you can continue your contributions to St. John's

1. Send weekly envelopes in the mail. You can send post-dated cheques to the office at 23 Water St. North Kitchener ON N2H 5A4
2. Drop off cash donations to the office through the mail slot in the office door. Write your name on the envelope!
3. Have an Errand Buddy pick up your donation.
4. Sign up for, or make changes to your DEFT by contacting the office at [giving@stjohn316.com](mailto:giving@stjohn316.com))
5. Donate Online through Canada Helps by credit card. You can set up recurring, or one time donations. Canada Helps takes 3.75% but also provides the tax receipt directly to you and provides a donation report to us! <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/48510>



***If you know of someone who is ill or in hospital, please contact The Rector, Reverend Dr. Preston Parsons  
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