

ORDER OF SERVICE
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 21, 2022



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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The Proclamation of the Word

*Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Hebrews 12:18-29;
Luke 13:10-17*

First Reading

Reader A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The lesson is read.

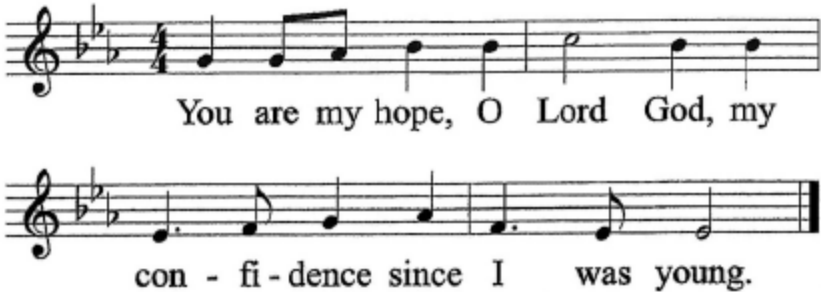
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6

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Refrain:



You are my hope, O Lord God, my
con - fi - dence since I was young.

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Verses sung by the cantor. The congregation joins the cantor in singing the refrain.

Second Reading

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The lesson is read.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

The Gospel is read.

Presider The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

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 bids the prayers.

Intercessor Merciful God,
People **receive 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 offers absolution.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory

Please place your offering in the plate near the entrance now, or at the end of the service.

Offertory Hymn 414

God of the Sparrow

Prayer over the Gifts

The presider says a prayer over the offerings.

Eucharistic Prayer

Sursum Corda

The presider and the people sing the Sursum Corda.

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 It is indeed right that we should praise you,
gracious God, for you created all things...
... to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus 735

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

After the Sanctus, the eucharistic prayer continues:

Presider Holy God, source of life and goodness, all
creation rightly gives you praise ...
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider Recalling his death,
 proclaiming his resurrection...
 ... all glory is yours, almighty Father,
 now and for ever.

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 presider breaks the bread.

Agnus Dei 690

Lamb of God

The Invitation

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

Communion Hymn 63

Eat This Bread

*Cantor and Congregation: The Congregation sings the Refrain;
the Cantor sings verses 1-5.*

Prayer After Communion

Presider Let us pray.

The community prays silently. The presider then says the prayer after communion.

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.

Closing Hymn 432

Jesus Calls Us! O'er the Tumult

Dismissal

The presider dismisses the people.

The people respond, saying,

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Carillon

Herbert Murrill (1909-1952)

We thank the following people for assisting with worship

Altar Guild _____

Tech Support _____ Mohan Thomas

Greeters _____ Carol Thurnell, Jennifer Uttley, Marilyn Malton

Organist _____ Corinne Dutton

Server _____ Tianna Gocan

Celebrant _____ The Revd James Brown
Preacher _____ The Revd James Brown
Reader _____ The Revd André Lavergne, CWA
Psalm Accompanist _____ Ken Hull
Cantor _____ TBA
Intercessor _____ Deb Sheach
Chalice Bearers—Robert Humphries, The Revd André Lavergne
Warden on Duty _____ Debbie Sheach

Music Notes

As we sing *Eternal, Unchanging* this morning, we celebrate the legacy of two distinguished contributors to the hymnody of the 20th century Canadian church. R. B. Y. Scott, a United Church minister and professor at both McGill and Princeton, wrote 24 hymn texts, three of which are included in Common Praise. Canadian composer and church musician Healey Willan has written or arranged 11 hymns in Common Praise. His tune, St. Basil, was first written for Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise.

God of the Sparrow invites worshippers to consider both the grace and the imperatives of the gospel as our life in Christ calls us into wonder and service. Lutheran pastor, Jaroslav Vajda, wrote hymns in both English and Slovak for parishes he served in Pennsylvania and Indiana. Lutheran musician, Carl Schalk, has contributed two hymn tunes to Common Praise.

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup is a meditative eucharistic chant, a gift from the Taizé Community in France. The text of both the refrain and the verses recalls sayings of Jesus.

Cecil Frances Alexander wrote *Jesus Calls Us! O'er the Tumult* for the feast day of St. Andrew (November 30). Although verse 2 summarises the call of Andrew (Mt. 4:18-22, Lk. 5:1-11), the message of the hymn is that Jesus calls all who hear his voice to follow him. Church of England cleric and musician John Bacchus was named precentor of Durham Cathedral in 1849. Today's hymn tune, St. Oswald, honours his burial site, St. Oswald's Church in Durham.

Parish Notices

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the Altar are in memory of Janet Lawrence, Harold Lawrence and Winnifred Lawrence, Ruby and Earl Uttley and Kevin Uttley, a gift of the Uttley family.

Vacation Notice

Our Rector, Preston, is away on vacation from August 7th until September 6th. During this time, his emails will not be monitored and calls regarding pastoral emergencies will be directed to our honorary assistant on call. If you are experiencing a pastoral emergency during this time, please call 519-743-0228 extension 6.

Office Closure

The office will be closed August 18th until August 24th, and again from August 29th until August 31st. Please keep in mind that this will result in delays when returning voicemails and emails. Thanks for your understanding!

Special Vestry Announcement

This special vestry will take place on September 18th, after the 10am service in the Upper Parish Hall to discuss and approve in principle the proposed Waterloo Regional cycling plan for Duke St. More details to follow.

Fall Music Plan

After considerable discussion and consultation, the wardens have approved the following interim plan for music during the fall. Ken Hull will become the Interim Director of Music. He will work with organists Corinne Dutton, James Brown, and Peter Nikiforuk, and develop a schedule according to their availability. The plan also includes hiring a soprano choral scholar or section leader. A search committee for a new Director of Music will begin in the fall, and we hope to have someone in place for the new year.

Coffee Hour still looking for Volunteers!

We plan to return to weekly Coffee Hour starting Sunday, September 4. We are hoping to get at least two more teams in place. If you are interested in volunteering, or still have some questions, please get in touch with Eleanor Brown after the service, by email at southpaw66@rogers.com or by phone at (519) 578-9519.

A Thank You from Margaret Brockett

It is with thankful hearts that I can tell you that Jean and his family have a lovely home to which to move. A friend in the Waterloo Deanery Refugee Committee has been able to make a suitable and affordable house available in AYR which is known for its community spirit. Jean and Grace are happy that, after four years of separation, they can get to know one another as a family in a quiet and peaceful neighbourhood away from the busyness of city life. They would value your continuing prayers that the necessary documents will indeed be issued in a timely way. - Margaret Brockett

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 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 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!
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If you or someone you know requires emergency pastoral care, while our Rector is on vacation from August 7th to September 6th, please contact The Reverend James Brown at 519-743-0228 ext. 6.

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