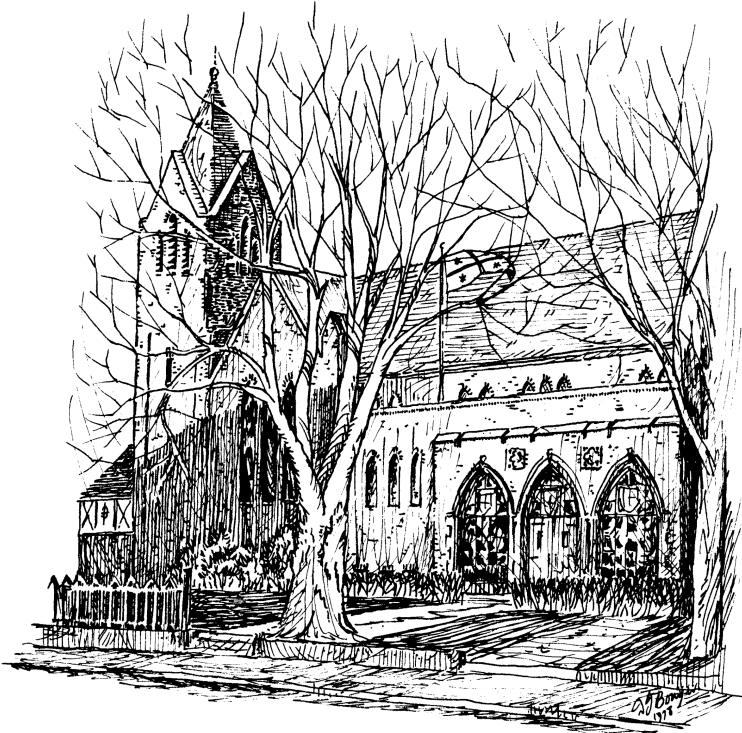


**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**January 15, 2023**



**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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## Prelude

## Prelude and Fugue in A Major

J.S. Bach

## Processional Hymn

*Common Praise 628*

*(vv. 1-4, 7)*

## O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## The Gathering of the Community

### The 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 of Praise

*Music on pew card*

## Gloria

William Mathias

## The Collect of the Day

*Presider* Let us pray.  
*The community prays silently.*  
*The presider then says the Collect.*

*People* **Amen.**

# The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 49:1-7  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Psalm 40:1-12  
John 1:29-42

## First Reading

*The lesson is read.*

*Reader* Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

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

## Psalm 40.1-12

BAS p.755



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## Second Reading

*The lesson is read.*

*Reader* Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

*Common Praise 711*

## The Gospel

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

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

*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*  
*All*

Most merciful God,  
**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 Hymn**

*Sing a New Creation 103*

### **The Call Is**

**Clear and Simple**

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*The presider says a prayer over the offerings.*

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

*Music on pew card*

*Presider*      We give you thanks and praise ...  
                  ... to proclaim the glory of your name.

### **Sanctus**

William Mathias

*Music on pew card*

*After the Sanctus, the eucharistic prayer continues:*

*Presider* Holy and gracious God ...  
... now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Book of Alternative Services page 918*

## **The Fraction**

*The presider breaks the bread.*

## **Agnus Dei**

William Mathias

*Music on pew card*

## **The Invitation**

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

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

## **Communion Hymn**

**We Sing a Love**

*Sing a New Creation p.163*

## **Communion Anthem**

**Jesu, Joy of  
Man's Desiring**

J.S. Bach

## **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.*

### Recessional Hymn

*Common Praise 627*

**The Voice  
of God Goes Out**

### Dismissal

*The presider dismisses the people.*

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

### Postlude

### Offertoire Du 5e Ton

Nicolas Lebeque

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**We thank the following people for assisting with worship**

#### **Altar Guild**

#### **Tech Support**

Mohan Thomas

#### **Greeters**

Carol Thurnell

Marilyn Malton

#### **Organist**

Peter Nikiforuk

#### **Preacher**

The Revd Dr Preston Parsons

#### **Presider**

The Revd Dr Preston Parsons

#### **Servers**

Chris Rietkerk

Tianna Gocan

#### **Reader**

Alec Gow

#### **Intercessor**

Doug Woodley

#### **Chalice Bearers**

Bob Humphreys

#### **Warden on Duty**

Eleanor Brown

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## Parish Notices

**The Flowers on the Altar** are given in loving memory of our dear friend Monie Morgan from Carla McLennan, Jennifer Uttley, Phyllis Lowe and June Strassburger.

**Vestry Meeting** The Annual Vestry Meeting will be held Sunday, February 5th, in the Upper Parish Hall and by Zoom following the 10am service.

**Accommodation Request** Our new Director of Music Angus Sinclair is looking for a place to stay on Wednesday night and Saturday night until he is able to find an apartment in KW. If you know of anyone who might be able to provide this accommodation for several weeks, beginning the first week in February, please contact one of the wardens.

**2023 Church Envelopes** are now available. They can be picked up off the Duke Street Entrance for the next several Sundays. If you need to have your envelopes delivered to you please contact the Church Office by telephone at (519)-743-0228 or by email at [church@stjohn316.com](mailto:church@stjohn316.com).

**Volunteer Opportunity** This volunteer opportunity helps low-income households apply for the Ontario Electricity Support Program (OESP) through the Social Development Centre Waterloo Region (SDCWR). The SDCWR has their offices in our Lower Parish Hall. The majority of applicants are seniors, international students, immigrants and refugees.

The work can be done on-line or in the SDCWR office.

Useful skills include: attention to detail, good communication skills, familiarity with online forms, and familiarity with (or willingness to learn) Google or Excel sheets.

Time: About four hours per week.

For more information please contact Aleksandra Petrovic Graonic: [aleksandra@waterlooregion.org](mailto:aleksandra@waterlooregion.org).

**Peter Nikiforuk is playing a concert** to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the installation of the Hellmuth Wolff organ at St Peter's Lutheran Church in Preston on Sunday, January 22 at 3 pm. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Students free.



**Menno Singers and artistic director Brandon Leis** present a new composition by local composer Justin LaPierre, 'Messe de Sainte Anne ', a weaving together of Québécois hymns and folk music, at St Matthews Lutheran Church (54 Benton St, Kitchener) at 7:30pm on Saturday, February 4. \$25 Adults. \$5 Children/Students. [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com).

**Bales** The donations for the Hispanic migrant workers were delivered to Fr. Enrique Martinez on December 16 and although it was done on rather short notice, between three churches we did very well and handed over many full bags of clothing. Thank you very much to all those who contributed clothing and toiletries. It was very much appreciated. Our next donations will probably be late April or early May and I will keep you posted on this but please remember the migrant workers when you next do out your closets. Rosemary Cliff

**The Tuesday Morning Zoom Bible Study** (11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon) will be continuing the study of the Apostle Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians next Tuesday (January 17th). New members are welcome to join any week.

Contact Andrew Brockett and the Zoom link will be sent to you: [andrew.brockett05@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.brockett05@gmail.com), or 519-577-9386, or speak to him at church on Sunday.

**Parking at City Hall** The parking garage at Kitchener City Hall is open again and is FREE on Sundays. It's a great winter alternative since it is heated, and you don't have to clear snow off your vehicle. Enter off Young Street.

**Church Office Hours** Normal Parish Administrator hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9am-2pm. On occasion these hours may need to be adjusted, so please do call ahead of time if you need to drop by the Church office.

**Announcement Deadlines** announcement requests for the Weekly Check-in must be submitted by Wednesday at 10:30A.M. Announcements for the Sunday Bulletin must be submitted by Thursday morning at 10:30A.M. Please continue to email your announcements to [church@stjohn316.com](mailto:church@stjohn316.com). Thank you for your understanding.

**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>

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*If you know of someone who is ill or in hospital, please contact The Rector, Reverend Dr Preston Parsons [rector@stjohn316.com](mailto:rector@stjohn316.com) or leave a message with the office at 519-743-0228. In case of emergencies, you can contact the on-call pastor at 519-743-0228 ext. 6.*

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