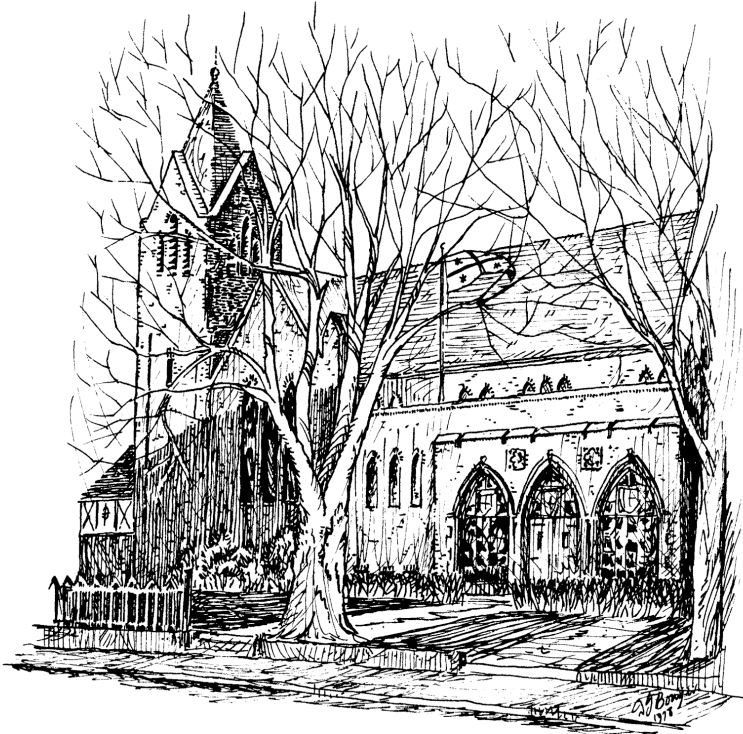


HOLY EUCHARIST
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 4, 2024



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

Book of Common Prayer, p. 67

Preacher and Presider

Psalm 147: 1-11

The Rector

p. 518

EUCCHARIST AT TEN O’CLOCK

Book of Alternative Services

Prelude

Cantilène

Gabriel Pierné

Processional Hymn

Light’s Abode, Celestial Salem

Common Praise 550, tune 143

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.**

Act 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 prays the collect.

People **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalms 147:1-12, 21c

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

First Reading

The lesson is read.

Reader Word of God. Word of life.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

BAS 906

Anglican Chant

Frederick A.G. Ouseley

Second Reading

The lesson is read.

Reader Word of God. Word of life.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Alleluia

Common Praise 708

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.

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

Intercessor Jesus challenges the forces
that diminish human life.
We pray "God of life in all its fullness,
hear our prayer."

Silence for preparation (stand, sit or kneel).

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 Hymn

Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts

Common Praise 70

Prayer over the Gifts

The presider says a prayer over the offerings.

Today we are using Eucharistic Prayer 1 (modern idiom) from the Anglican Church of Nigeria. This eucharistic prayer is one of a number of such prayers from around the Anglican Communion approved for use in the Diocese of Huron.

Eucharistic Prayer

1

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is indeed right; it is our duty and joy...
...for ever praising You and saying.

Sanctus & Benedictus

(Music on pew card)

William Mathias

After the Sanctus, the eucharistic prayer continues:

Presider Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through
Your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ...
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

Presider Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember His offering of Himself...
...we worship You, Father Almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise.

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power be Yours
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Barrie Cabena



Our Father in heav'n, hallow'd be your name, your king-dom
come, your will be done, on earth as in heav'n. Give us
to-day our dai-ly bread. Forgive us our sins as we for-
give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of
trial, and de-iver us from e-vil. For the kingdom, the
power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. A--men.

The Fraction

The presider breaks the bread.

Agnus Dei

(Music on pew card)

William Mathias

The Invitation

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

If you would prefer a gluten free wafer, come forward and let a server or the priest know before you receive.

Communion Hymn
Sing a New Creation 3

Come and Find the Quiet Centre

Communion Anthem

I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes
Leo Sowerby

Prayer After Communion

Presider Let us pray.

The community prays silently. The presider then prays 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 393

**Immortal, Invisible,
God Only Wise**

Dismissal

The presider dismisses the people.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Toccata in G minor
Gabriel Pierné

PARISH GRATITUDES, NEWS & NOTES

We thank the following for your roles at worship ...

Altar Guild

Tech Support

Jonathan Malton

Greeters

Charles Stuart, Carol Thurnell

Preacher

The Rev'd Canon Dr Preston Parsons

Presider

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Director of Music

Angus Sinclair

Servers

Chris Rietkirk

Reader

Alice Croft

Intercessor

Charles Stuart

Chalice Bearers

Bob Humphreys | Maggie Hendley,
Megan Brockett

Warden on Duty

Eleanor Brown

The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Dear Friends. A gift of Carol Cockfield.

Week at a Glance

Thurs, Feb 8

Choir Rehearsal (7:30 pm)

Sat, Feb 10

Sheryl Loeffler Memorial Service (11:30 am)

Sun, Feb 11

Worship (10:00 am)

Vestry Meeting (Following Worship)

Sheryl Loeffler's Memorial Service will be held at St. John's on Sat, Feb 10 at 11:30 am, followed by a luncheon.

The 2024 Vestry Meeting takes place next Sun (Feb 11) following worship. Sincerest thanks to all for providing your reports and for your ministry to our community here at St. John's.

Palms and Palm Crosses to burn in preparation for Ash Wednesday (Feb 14) are now being collected. Please drop these off in the vestry, the office, or give them directly to Preston.

St. John's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Come on out and enjoy real maple syrup on buttermilk pancakes with fresh pork

sausages from 6 - 8 pm on Tues, Feb 13! The cost is \$12 for individuals or \$25 for a family. Tickets will be available for sale on Sundays following the service or at the door (Duke St.). We will need lots of help for this event, so please consider volunteering. Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex and outside the entrance to the UPH or contact Charles at subeditor@hotmail.com.

The Next Seniors' Fellowship is Wednesday, Feb 14 at 1:30 pm at St. Columba's Church. Join guest speaker, Dwight Storing, as he shares his documentary film, *Anna Kaljas: The Untold Story*, that shows her response to "love your neighbour." Q/A, refreshments and fellowship follow. All are welcome. For information, contact Jennifer Uttley at acw@stjohn316.com or call 519-578-6052.

The current issue of On Eagle's Wings is available at the entrances to worship. Past issues of OEW together with publication dates & deadlines may be found at www.stjohn316.com/ow/.

Lectionary Notes (Bulletin insert) are created by Andrew Brockett, a member of St. John's. They are based on the readings from the Anglican Church of Canada's version of the *Revised Common Lectionary*, in use by many Christians around the world and a profound, every-Sunday witness to Christian Unity. The *Notes* are designed to provide some context for each reading and for the breadth of readings over a period of time.

Prayer Concerns (Bulletin insert) are crafted by Honourary Assistant André Lavergne, with the contributions of Parish Council member Henriëtte Thompson (local and global concerns), and Parish Administrator Autumn Debassige (prayers for people of our parish). The *Prayer Concerns* augment the *Sunday Prayers of the People* and invite people to take our community prayers home, to make them concrete and to make them their own. *Prayer Concerns* reflect the calendars of the *Anglican (Communion) Cycle of Prayer*, the *Diocese of Huron Chain of Prayer* and the Canadian (ACC-ELCIC) *Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer*.

Name Tags Whether you are a new, not so new, or longtime member of St. John's, if you would like a name tag, please email church@stjohn316.com or call the church office at 519-743-0228.

Sunday School in a Bag Help yourself to today's lesson and colour sheet in the narthex case. Bags include crayons with the sheets underneath. Please replace the bag and crayons after worship.

Donations may be made to St. John's in several ways ...

1. By mail using offering envelopes. Send post-dated cheques to the office at 23 Water St. N. Kitchener ON N2H 5A4
2. Drop off cash donations at the church office via the mail slot in the door. Be sure to write your name on the envelope.
3. Have an Errand Buddy pick up your donation.
4. Sign up for (or make changes to) Direct Electronic Funds Transfer (DEFT). Contact the office at giving@stjohn316.com.
5. Via canadahelps.org by credit card, once or recurring. Canada Helps takes 3.75%, gives a tax receipt to you and report to us!

Weekend Parking is free at Kitchener City Hall and a great winter option as it is heated and snow-free! Enter off Young between Weber and King. Surface parking is available at the WLU Faculty of Social Work parking lot on College St., just above Duke. Note that College is one-way *from* Weber to Duke. Here's a downtown Kitchener [parking map](#).

Office Hours are maintained from Monday through Wednesday - 9:30 am to 1:30 pm, and Thursday - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Announcements for the Wednesday *Weekly Check-in* or this Sunday *Bulletin* should be submitted **by Tuesday at 10 am**. Email church@stjohn316.com. Thank you for your consideration.

TAKING CARE OF OUR COMMUNITY

If you know of someone who is ill or in hospital, please contact our rector at rector@stjohn316.com or leave a message at 519.743-0228 ext. 4.

In case of emergency, please contact the on-call pastor at 519.743-0228 ext. 6.

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