

HOLY EUCHARIST

Ash Wednesday

February 14, 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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EUCCHARIST AT SEVEN O'CLOCK PM

Book of Alternative Services

Prelude

Alle Menschen müssen sterben

J.S. Bach

Processional Hymn

Forty Days and Forty Nights

Common Praise 175

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

The community prays silently.

Then follows the Collect of the Day.

People **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 58:1-12

Psalm 103:8-18

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

First Reading

The lesson is read.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 103:8-18

Plainsong

BAS 841

Second Reading

The lesson is read.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Common Praise 634

Jesus, Remember Me

The Gospel

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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.

Invitation to Lent

BAS 281

Psalm 51:1-18

BAS 282, sung by choir

Plainsong

Litany of Penitence

BAS 283

The Imposition of Ashes

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

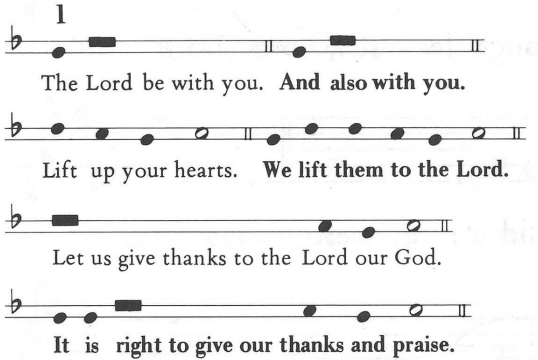
Common Praise 170

The Glory of These Forty Days

Prayer over the Gifts

The presider says a prayer over the offerings.

Eucharistic Prayer



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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 Blessed are you, gracious God...
... to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Common Praise 689

After the Sanctus, the eucharistic prayer continues:

Presider We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love...
Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All **we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Presider and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving...
almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

BAS 918

The Fraction

The presider breaks the bread.

Lamb of God

Common Praise 690

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 48

Eternal Christ You Rule

Communion Anthem

View Me, Lord

Richard Lloyd

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.**

The Blessing

The presider blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn

Common Praise 628

**O Love, How Deep,
How Broad, How High**

Dismissal

The presider dismisses the people.

All

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde groß

J.S. Bach



PARISH GRATITUDES, NEWS & NOTES

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

Altar Guild & Choir

Greeter	Charles Stuart
Preacher	The Rev'd André Lavergne, CWA
Presider	The Rev'd James Brown
Director of Music	Angus Sinclair
Servers	Chris Rietkirk, Sharon Woodley
Reader	Paula Brown
Chalice Bearer	Ann Coughlin
Warden on Duty	Paul Schaffelburg

We are entering the Season of Lent with the Sunday of the Transfiguration now behind us and Ash Wednesday now upon us.

Transfiguration concluded the *Christmas Cycle* of Advent, the Twelve Days of Christmas, and the Season of (after) Epiphany. We now begin the *Easter Cycle* which includes Lent, the Triduum (Maundy Thursday into Good Friday, Good Friday into Holy Saturday and Holy Saturday into Easter Sunday) and the Season of Easter.

So, the *Easter Cycle* begins today, on Ash Wednesday, and will conclude on the Feast of Pentecost which falls on May 19 in 2024.

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

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

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