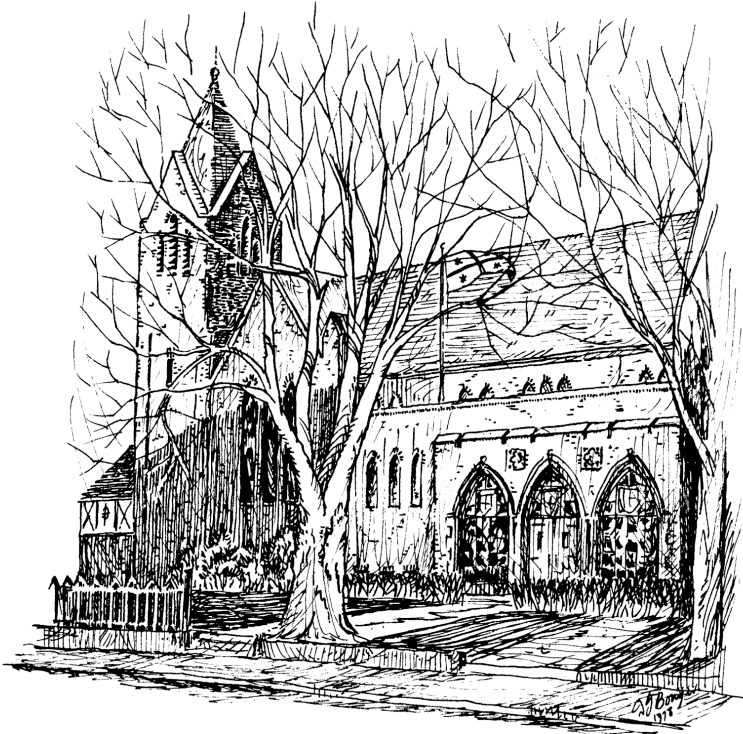


**HOLY EUCHARIST**  
**The Second Sunday After the Epiphany**  
**January 19, 2025**



**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

*Book of Alternative Services*

**Prelude**

**Adagietto and Moderato**

*from Sept Miniatures*

*Denis Bédard*

**Processional Hymn**

*Common Praise 393*

**Immortal, Invisible,**

**God Only Wise**

## **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.*

*Then follows the Collect of the Day.*

*People* **Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

### First Reading

*The lesson is read.*

*Reader* Word of God. Word of life.

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

### Psalm 36:5-10

*BAS 748*

### Anglican Chant

*John Goss*

### Second Reading

*The lesson is read.*

*Reader* Word of God. Word of life.

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

### 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 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**

*Intercessor*        As followers of Jesus, we hear of miracles and are  
amazed. We hear "God of loving-kindness," and  
respond, "**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

*Common Praise 60*

**I Come with Joy**

### Prayer over the Gifts

*The presider says a prayer over the offerings.*



# 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.**

*Communion is available in two places: at the front end of the centre aisle, or at the high altar where you may kneel. If you prefer a gluten free wafer, please let the priest know before you receive. If you are in need of prayer, there is a prayer team located in the back corner of the nave. Should you wish to light a prayer candle, you can do so at the table near the piano.*

## Communion Hymn

## We Are God's People

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,  
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;  
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
And strong in Him we stand:  
O let us live transparently,  
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,  
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;  
Now let us learn how to return  
The gift of love once given:  
O let us share each joy and care,  
And live with a zeal that pleases Heaven.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,  
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;  
He wills us be a family  
Diverse yet truly one:  
O let us give our gifts to God,  
And so shall His work on earth be done.

*Hymn continues on next page:*

We are a Temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,  
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;  
We die alone, for on its own  
Each ember loses fire:  
Yet joined in one the flame burns on  
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.

## **Communion Anthem**

**Christ, Whose Glory  
Fills the Skies**  
*Keith Bissell*

## **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 357*

**Let All the World in  
Every Corner Sing**

## Dismissal

*The presider dismisses the people.*

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

## Postlude

**Maestoso**

*from Sept Miniatures*

*Denis Bédard*

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## PARISH GRATITUDES, NEWS & NOTES

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

### **Altar Guild & Choir**

#### **Tech Support**

Nathaniel Holmes

#### **Greeters**

Eli Boich, Graham Currie

#### **Presider/Preacher**

The Rev'd Canon Dr Preston Parsons

#### **Music Director**

Angus Sinclair

#### **Servers**

Chris Rietkerk

#### **Reader**

Sophia Coughlin

#### **Intercessor**

Jean Wright

#### **Prayer Team**

Dave Sapelak, Syd Reginato

#### **Chalice Bearers**

Kim Green, Margaret Hendley,

Megan Brockett

#### **Warden on Duty**

Paul Schaffelburg

## **Week at a Glance**

Jan 22

Parish Council (7:00 pm)

Jan 23

Choir Rehearsal (7:30 pm)

Jan 26

Worship (10:00 am)

Musical Flora Recital: Vladimir Djurovic (2:00 pm)

**Reports are now overdue for Vestry 2025!** Please submit them as soon as possible to [church@stjohn316.com](mailto:church@stjohn316.com) in either Word or docx file formats. Mac formats (such as Pages) are incompatible with the church's computer system. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Musical Flora Recital at St. John's Kitchener** – Next Sunday (Jan 26) at 2:00 pm, all are encouraged to enjoy the virtuosic piano music of Mozart, Chopin, Scarlatti – and more – deftly played by Dr Vladimir Djurovic of the Laurier Academy of Music and Arts. Suggested donation of \$20 or pay what you can. Free admission for children and the unwaged.

**Altar Memorial Flowers** – I am currently making up the new Flower List for 2025. If anyone would like to commemorate the life of a friend or family member in this way, or if you have a special anniversary coming up and would like to give flowers as a Thank offering, please phone 519-896-0637 or e-mail [dauidemery@rogers.com](mailto:dauidemery@rogers.com). I can also meet you during coffee hour to answer any questions. Thank you, Enid Emery.

**On Eagle's Wings** – The January issue is out today! Pick up your physical copy in the narthex, or read online at <https://stjohn316.com/ow/>.

**2025 Church Envelopes** – For those of you who contribute to St John's through envelopes, please arrange collection with the Giving Team [giving@stjohn316.com](mailto:giving@stjohn316.com).

**Jean Wright's Craft Table** is open until March!

**Our Sanctuary** – Every so often, people do some tidying of our sanctuary, our pews and surroundings. As a thank you, we invite you to return your pew books to the racks, upright with the titles facing the worshipper. Please take your worship bulletins with you as you make your way to the coffee hour. On Sundays, such as today, when we use a special setting (*William Mathias* on the ivory-coloured pew-sheets), please return your copy to the narthex or foyer as you leave the sanctuary.

**Prayer Concerns and More!** – If you recycle your bulletin after worship, please consider hanging onto the *Prayer Concerns* insert for personal devotions or reflection during the week.

**Twice-weekly E-mailings** keep the St. John's community informed. A Wednesday evening **Check-in** and a Saturday evening **Worship** mailing will keep you up-to-date with our worship life and our parish and community events. E-mail [church@stjohn316.com](mailto:church@stjohn316.com) to subscribe.

**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 *e-mail Check-in* or Sunday's *Bulletin* should be submitted **by Tuesday at 10 am**. E-mail [church@stjohn316.com](mailto:church@stjohn316.com). Thank you for your consideration.

**Financial Contributions** may be made to St. John's by...

1. **Placing an offering into the plates** located in the narthex and near the baptismal font.
2. **Mail** using offering envelopes. Send post-dated cheques to the office at 23 Water St. N. Kitchener ON N2H 5A4
3. **Dropping off** cash donations at the church office using the mail slot in the Water Street door. Be sure to include your name on the envelope.
4. **Pick-up** by an Errand Buddy.
5. **Signing up** for (or make changes to) Direct Electronic Funds Transfer. Contact the office at [giving@stjohn316.com](mailto:giving@stjohn316.com).
6. **Credit Card** via [Canada Helps](#) either on a one-time basis or monthly. Canada Helps takes 3.75%, gives a tax receipt to you and provides a report to us!

**Weekend Parking** is available at the WLU Faculty of Social Work parking lot on College St., above Duke. Note that College is one-way *from* Weber *to* Duke. A downtown Kitchener parking map can be found here: <https://shorturl.at/12Xzx>.

**Sunday Parking** is free at Kitchener City Hall! Enter off Young between Weber and King.

## TAKING CARE OF OUR COMMUNITY

**If you know of someone** who is ill or in hospital, please contact our rector at [rector@stjohn316.com](mailto:rector@stjohn316.com) or leave a message at 519.743-0228 ext. 4. **In case of emergency**, contact the on-call pastor at 519.743-0228 ext. 6. **In the case of a non-urgent matter**, contact our parish administrator at 519.743-0228 ext. 1.

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