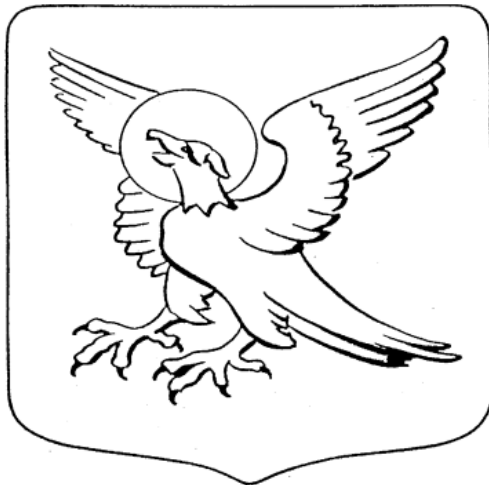


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 23, 2018

SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10am
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Note: Cogeco Church Service Broadcast Time Change

Cogeco management has decided to broadcast local church services on Sundays *only*. Effective immediately, St. John's Sunday 10am liturgy will be broadcast the *following* Sunday morning at 8am and 1pm. There will no longer be broadcasts on Tuesday

Welcome to St. John the Evangelist.

If you are unable to come forward to receive Communion, arrangements can be made for you receive Communion in your pew; just let a Sidesperson at the entrance to the Church know. Large print versions of the liturgy are available at the church entrances. Please ensure that your cell phone is set to vibrate or silent mode.

Sunday School will gather in the front pews of the church for the lighting of the Advent candle, and then will move to the upper hall. All children are welcome to participate.

SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10am

Service begins on page 185 of the green Book of Alternative Services.

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbooks unless otherwise indicated

Prelude

Hymn 320

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Greeting

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Lighting of the Advent Candle

As the children process out to Sunday School, all are invited to join in singing:

**A candle is burning, a candle of love,
a candle to point us to heaven above.
A baby for Christmas, a wonderful birth
for Jesus is bringing God's love to our earth.**

Collect for Purity

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Canticle

Tune: St. Agnes

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
to God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name—the Lord, the mighty one.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!**

Collect of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Micah 5:2-5a

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7 (please remain seated)

Tune: Old 100th

**O Shepherd, like a flock you lead
your people Israel; hear our prayer;
enthroned upon the cherubim
in glory, shine on our despair**

**Before Manasseh, Benjamin,
and Ephraim, Lord, grant us your grace;
restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
show us the glory of your face.**

**How long will you be angered, Lord,
although we kneel before your feet?
You give us bowls of tears to drink,
provide us bread of tears to eat.**

**Our enemies laugh us to scorn,
our neighbours witness our disgrace;
restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
show us the glory of your face.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:5-10

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 363 vv1-3

Holy Gospel

Luke 1:39-45

Gospeller: *The Lord be with you.*

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

Gospeller: *The Gospel of Christ.*

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn vv 4-5

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

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Intercessions *(Please kneel or sit. Response: Lord have mercy)*

Confession and absolution

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The Peace (*Please stand*)

Hymn 123

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Sanctus

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Tune: Land of Rest

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*)

Breaking of the Bread #5

Agnus Dei (*sung twice*)

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Communion

All who are baptized are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine of Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive Communion, please feel welcome to come to the altar rail for a blessing, crossing your arms across your chest to signal this to the priest. Please do not dip the bread into the chalice. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms across your chest to signal this to the Communion Assistant.

Hymn during Communion: Hymn 143

Hymn after Communion:

**Wherefore, O Father, we thy humble servants
offer our praises, with our glad thanksgiving,
offer ourselves, Lord, souls and bodies to thee,
Christ's death proclaiming.**

**So, Lord, we thank thee, for that thou dost feed us,
members united in that mystic body –
company blessed of all faithful people:
thus we would serve thee.**

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All: **And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 111

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah
Preacher: Tamara Connors
Readers: Pat Willis; Karen Bryan
Communion Assistants: Kathy Porter; Ron Watt
Sidespeople: Bob & Tammy Mulrooney
Altar Guild: Sue Pigeon; Doreen Watt | Video: Rob MacLaren

**Please join us in the parish hall for refreshments following this service.
Members of ACW Group A are our hosts.**

Readings for next Sunday, December 30, 2018 ~ First Sunday after Christmas
1 Samuel 2:18-20; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

This Week in the Parish		
Sunday	Journeying the Way of Love Baptism Formation	12noon 5:30-7
Monday	Christmas Eve Liturgies Holy Eucharist & Pageant for children of all ages* Sung Eucharist with Carols Candlelight Midnight Mass AA/AI-Anon	4pm 7pm 11pm 8pm
Tuesday	Christmas Day Holy Eucharist	10am
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist (Broadview) Holy Eucharist (Shardon Manor)	10am 11am 1:30pm
Thursday	Choir	7:30pm
Saturday	Holy Eucharist	5pm

**This service is for everyone. The pageant will have "walk-in" roles. There is a costume for every child who wishes to participate, so invite your friends, neighbours, grandchildren!*

Please note that the Church Office will be closed Dec 25-28 and on Jan 1. The church will be open for the 10am Eucharist on Dec 26.

In our Parish we pray for: Heather, Paul, Riley, Margaret, Dan Burns, Faye, Lorna, Katie, Steve, Bonnie, Ron, Bill D., Stan, Sheila, Bob, Ann R. Bothwell, Joan D., Karen K., Steve, Andy, Melanie, Marie Banford.

Friends of the Parish we pray for: Zachary, Peggy, Marilyn, Jacqui, Dana Dean & family, Chloe McCue, Michelle, Robert Apro, Debbie Pilon, Bonnie Bothwell, Sandra, Neena, Jutanie, Maureen Halpenny, Norma Wynn, Sherry, Darcy, Richard, Leah, Crystal, Barry, Bernard, Sarah Telford, Valerie Kerr, Donnie McConnell, Eileen C, Walter, Kevin Rochon, Casey, Jim Jarvis, Donna, Serge, Lisa, Sue Ellen, Dorothy, Helena, Lisa G, Marion, Kevin Kealey, Chuck & Sheila Nehring, Ron M., Lorna, Sharon, Bev, Libby, Donna, Cathy K, Ivan Dunne, Maggie, Mary, Emily, Doug.

Parishioners residing in retirement/nursing homes we pray for: Bev Lannin, Cora Beasley, Fran Robinson, Charlie Edwards, Thelma Doherty, Doreen Murray, Nancy Langdon, Irene Anderson, Mary Thompson, Joan Hart, Betty Gault, Helen Cameron, Brenda Hauraney, Ken Winkenweder, Audrey Bennett, Irene Leach, Florence Lloyd, Jessie Read.

Prayer Calendar In our Diocese we pray for: The Rt. Rev'd John Chapman, Bishop of Ottawa; Anglican Social Services Ministry The Well, its staff, clients and Executive Director, Rachel Robinson In our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem, we pray for Redeemer Church, Amman, Jordan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pint & A Passage: Tues - 7pm

Our weekly bible study takes a break for the next two weeks and resume on Tues Jan 8.

Christmas Day Dinner at St. Francis de Sales

St. Francis is hosting their annual Christmas Day Dinner (30 McGill St.) 12:15 sitting. All are welcome. There is no charge for the dinner. If you need a delivered meal or a ride, or if you can volunteer, contact St. Francis church (613) 283-0220.

2018 Offerings

Please note that for offerings to be credited in the 2018 year, they must be *postmarked* Dec 31, 2018 **or** received before Jan 1, 2019

New Year's Day Diocesan Service: Jan 1 at 12noon

It is the custom for the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada to preach at Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa at the noon Choral Eucharist on New Year's Day. The service is followed by the Bishop's Levee. All are welcome to attend. This will be the last New Year's Day sermon that Archbishop Fred Hiltz will preach in Ottawa. He retires this summer, and a new Primate will be elected at General Synod, July 2019 in Vancouver.

Holy Baptism Jan 13

On the Baptism of the Lord Jan 13, we will welcome into the Body of Christ through the waters of baptism Charlotte Crystal Ann Brown-Baker, Nathaniel Liam Michael Brown-Baker, Noah Frederick Joseph Berry and Archie Richard Hull. Please pray for these candidates, for their parents and sponsors.

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Louise Sherry – Church Secretary

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am -12noon

Weekly Liturgies

Wednesday 10am – Holy Eucharist

Saturday 5pm – Holy Eucharist

Sunday 8am – Holy Eucharist; 10am* – Sung Eucharist

**Sunday School offered for children September - June*

The Right Reverend John H. Chapman – Bishop of Ottawa

The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah – Incumbent Priest & Pastor

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The Reverend Canon Brian Burrows – Honorary Assistant

Tamara Connors – Theological Student Intern

Sterling Bennett – Organist 283-7833

Paul Howard – Rector's Warden 283-1172

Karen Bryan – People's Warden 284-8149

Garry Rodford – Deputy Warden 284-0488

Mac Thompson – Deputy Warden 283-2912

Kay Giff – Envelope Secretary 283-2564

Lydia Dixon – Sunday School 285-9811

	December 30 Christmas I	January 6 Feast of the Epiphany
Readers:	Terry Dillabough; Dawn Dunlop	Maxine Haining; Donna Howard
Intercessions:	Trish Warren	Lois Dewey
Communion Assistants:	Karen Bryan; Chris Elmsley	Donna Howard; Kevin Lewis
Servers:	Rob MacLaren; Laura Porter; Ron Watt	Alex Lewis; Kevin Lewis; Sue Norman
Altar Guild:	Ila Bennett; Debbie Lewis	Ila Bennett; Debbie Lewis
Sidespeople:	Linda & Ron Coleman	Carl & Beryl Young
Video:	Paul Howard	Rob MacLaren
Coffee:	Parish Council	Sunday School