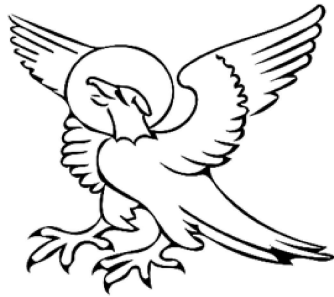


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ST. JOHN

THE EVANGELIST

SMITHS FALLS | 175 YEARS | 1849-2024



Seventh Sunday
After The Epiphany

February 23, 2025

Sung Eucharist ~ 10 a.m.

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Welcome to the Church of St. John the Evangelist

We acknowledge that we gather at St. John's on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.



This service is video recorded, streamed, and broadcast. By attending this service, you are agreeing to appear on video in our on-line worship offering through St. John's website and Facebook pages.



Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbook unless otherwise indicated.

Today's service can be found on page 185 of the green Book of Alternative Services (BAS) located in the pew-back in front of you.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Announcements

• **Processional (Opening) Hymn** **5**

• **Greeting** **BAS, p.185**

Children's Talk

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• **Collect for Purity**

Gloria **(sung – music can be found in blue hymnal, 365)**

**Glory to God on high,
And peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
our heavenly King.
We give you praise,
Almighty God and Father blessed
in glory bright.**

**Our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
The Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb,
who saves the world from sin,
have mercy Lord.
Beside the Father's hand enthroned,
now hear our prayer.**

**You only are the Lord.
You only are most high.
You only are the holy one,**

**Lord Jesus Christ.
And now you reign
With Father and with Spirit one
in glorious light.**

Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
your Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving love.
Renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and

to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there - since there are five more years of famine to come - so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'" And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37

REFRAIN Put your trust in the Lord and do good.

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away. **Refrain**

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

Take delight in the Lord, and he shall give you your heart's desire.

Refrain

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, and he will bring it to pass.

He will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday. **Refrain**

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.

Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes. **Refrain**

Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land. **Refrain**

In a little while the wicked shall be no more; you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace. **Refrain**

But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The Lord will help them and rescue them; he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him. **Refrain**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-

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But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to

be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

by Kate O'Keefe

Chorus sung by all

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. X2

The musical notation is written on a single staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter notes for the first two phrases, followed by a half note for the final phrase. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The piece ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. Above the staff, the word "fine" is written. Below the staff, the instruction "X2" is written.

Verse sung by cantor or choir.

Holy Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

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.

Jesus said, "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

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- People may greet one another with the peace of Christ.*
- **Offertory Hymn** 383

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Merciful God,
 accept all we offer you this day.
 Lead us to love you with all our heart,
 and to love all people with your perfect love.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

- **Eucharistic Prayer 3** p. 198

), Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,



heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo -



ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na



in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



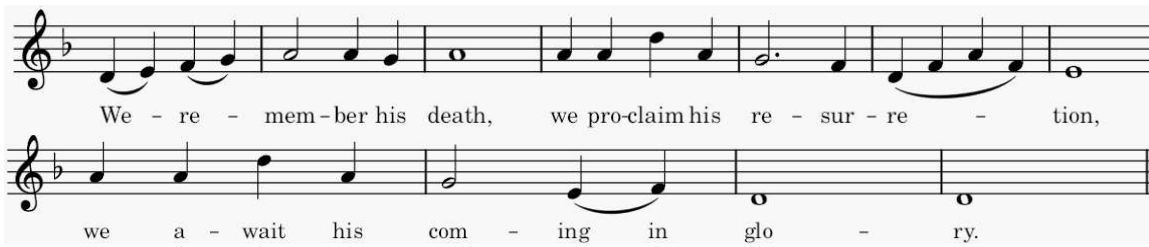
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high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

• **Acclamation**

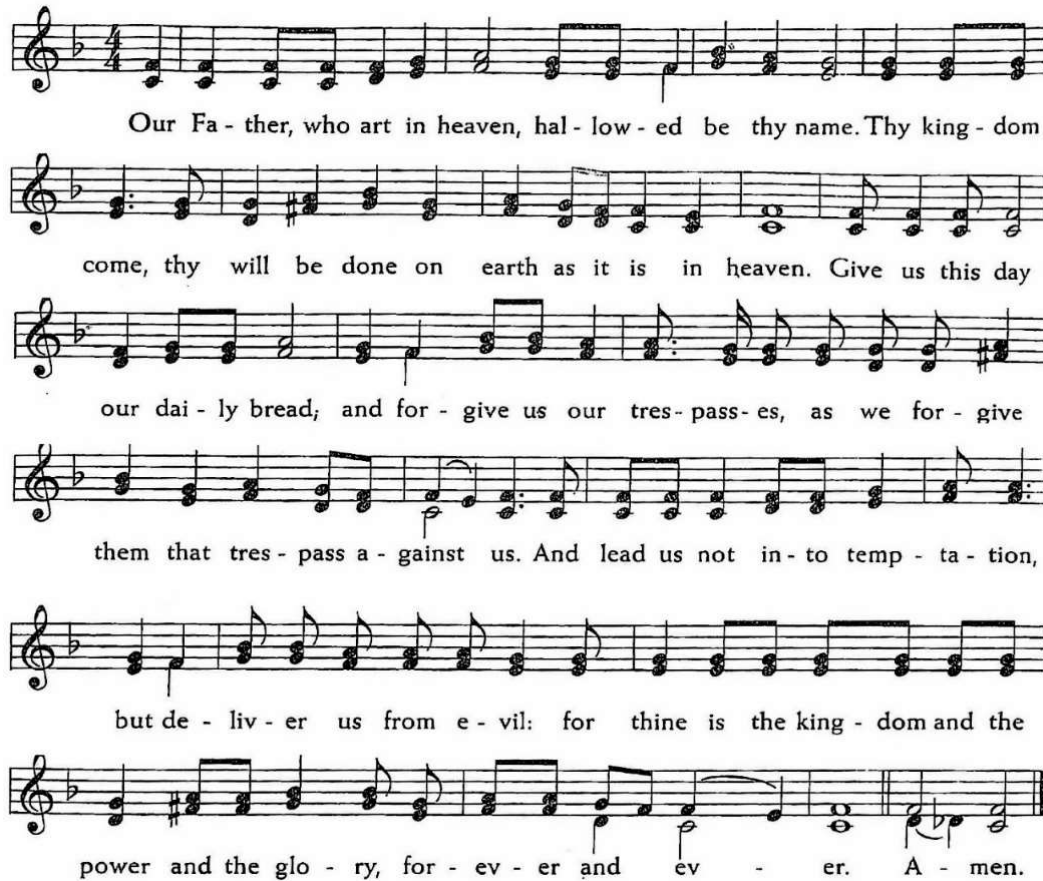
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Two staves of musical notation in a single system. The top staff is a vocal line with lyrics: "We - re - mem - ber his death, we pro - claim his re - sur - re - tion,". The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment line with lyrics: "we a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry." The music is in a minor key and 4/4 time.

• **The Lord's Prayer** (*sung*)

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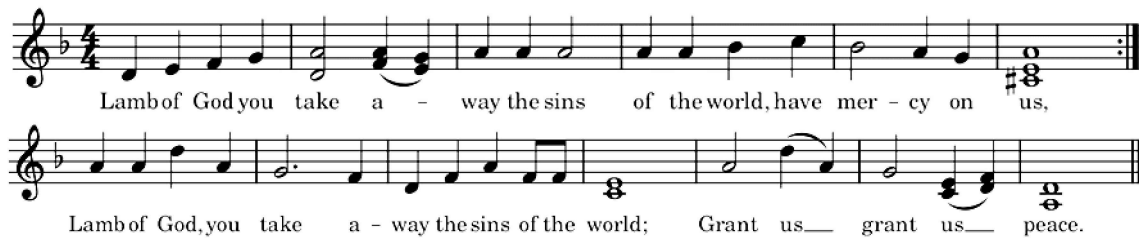
Seven staves of musical notation in a single system. The top staff is a vocal line with lyrics: "Our Fa - ther, who art in heaven, hal - low - ed be thy name. Thy king - dom". The second staff has lyrics: "come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day". The third staff has lyrics: "our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pass - es, as we for - give". The fourth staff has lyrics: "them that tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,". The fifth staff has lyrics: "but de - liv - er us from e - vil: for thine is the king - dom and the". The sixth staff has lyrics: "power and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men." The music is in a minor key and 4/4 time.

• **Breaking of the Bread 2**

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• **Agnus Dei**

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Lamb of God you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us,
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world; Grant us— grant us— peace.

Communion

All who are baptized are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine of Holy Communion. At the Greeter's direction, please make your way to receive the elements if you wish to. All are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

• **Hymns during Communion**

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• **Hymn after Communion**

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• **Prayer after Communion**

Gracious God,
in the eucharist we celebrate your love
for us and for all people.
Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts,
we may show your love in our lives,
and know its fulfilment in your presence.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GAMES NIGHT

Friday, March 7, 2025, 5:30 pm. Please join us for some games, food and fellowship! Bring your friends and bring your games! A warm meal will be provided and a few games available to choose from. Please call Laura Porter if you have any questions.

MONDAY NIGHT BOOK STUDY resumed on February 3rd.

The selection, How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth: Fourth Edition by authors Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart, is available from Amazon and Indigo. Everyone is welcome to join us for learning, the free exchange of ideas, and fun. Participants meet for an hour via Zoom beginning at 7:15. If interested, please contact Kathy Rycroft, our Parish Secretary. We hope to see you!

SMITHS FALLS FOOD BANK

Collection baskets are at the North and South doors of the Church. They will be collected after the third Sunday of each month, and delivered to the Food Bank. Any questions, contact Debbie Lewis, (613) 284-6111.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

Our Annual Vestry Meeting will take place today, February 23, following the 10:00 a.m. service.

2024 CONTRIBUTIONS – TAX RECEIPTS

Are now available for pick up in the Canterbury Room.

PRAY K7A

Come and pray for Smiths Falls and area tonight, February 23, 7:00 pm at the **Independent Assemblies of God** on William Street. We'll be praying generally for the town and area, so please bring your own cares and concerns to pray with the Christian community for God's grace, healing, and hope.

"ST. JOHN'S TODAY" – NEWSLETTER

We will be providing print and electronic copies of the newsletter. If you wish to receive an electronic copy, please provide your e-mail address on the sheets located in the Canterbury Room and at the North Entrance. You may also call the Church Office (613)283-1261 or e-mail, stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com to be placed on the e-mail list.

SHROVE TUESDAY

PANCAKE SUPPER FUNDRAISER

March 4, 2025, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. upstairs in the Parish Hall. This is a fundraiser in support of the organ. Payment is a free-will offering (\$6.00 per person recommended). Volunteers please gather at the Hall at 4:00 p.m.

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer
Reader: Andrew Howard
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Kathy Porter
Greeters: Linda MacLaren & Faye Moore
Altar Guild: Terri Marsden & Deane Sawchuk

Readings for next Sunday, March 2, 2025 ~
Ex 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Cor 3:12-4:2; Lk 9:28-36

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Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.* – Wednesdays 10 a.m.

*Sunday School offered at 10 a.m. from September – June

The Right Reverend Shane A. D. Parker – Bishop of Ottawa

The Reverend Dr. Thomas Brauer, Presiding Celebrant & Preacher

The Reverend Canon Brian Burrows – Honorary Assistant

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