



CHURCH OF
ST JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 18th, 2021—10:00 a.m.

Welcome.

This church is a place of prayer and encounter with God. The stones of these walls have sheltered people seeking the presence of the Holy One for almost two centuries. This place of worship has been made hallowed by the prayers of generations and you are welcome to join your heart and voice to theirs.

St John's is an inclusive community of faith in the Anglican tradition: we welcome saints and sinners, people of faith and of no faith, people who are sure they know everything and those who are full of questions. All persons may share equally in the life and leadership of our church and we worship with and serve people of different ethnicities, politics, gender identities, economic circumstances, and abilities. This church belongs to God, so all of God's children are welcome here.



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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

The Greeting

Officiant 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.**

Land Acknowledgement

Officiant We gather in this place in person and virtually and we acknowledge that we are in Nogojiwanong, the traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabe, the Original inhabitants and stewards of this part of the Creation, on whose land and by whose waters we gather by the Williams Treaty to worship, listen, learn, share, and heal together in the name of our Creator, the Holy One of Blessing.

Hymn 520—The King of Love My Shepherd Is (vv. 1,2,5,6) Dominus Regit Me

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water, my ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth;
and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never;
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever!

The Penitential Rite

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour. *Silence.*

All God of all mercy,
**we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done and the evil done on our behalf.**

Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Saviour Jesus Christ, so that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Officiant May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and raise you to new life in Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Introductory Responses

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise

All **and your glory all day long.**

Officiant Christ has triumphed over death:

All **O come let us worship.**

Officiant Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:

All **as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Reader A reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as

formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

89:20-37

Officiant I have found David my servant; *
with my holy oil have I anointed him.

People **My hand will hold him fast *
and my arm will make him strong.**

Officiant No enemy shall deceive him, *
nor any wicked man bring him down.

People **I will crush his foes before him *
and strike down those who hate him.**

Officiant My faithfulness and love shall be with him, *
and he shall be victorious through my Name.

People **I shall make his dominion extend *
from the Great Sea to the River.**

Officiant He will say to me, 'You are my Father, *
my God, and the rock of my salvation.'

People **I will make him my firstborn *
and higher than the kings of the earth.**

Officiant I will keep my love for him for ever, *
and my covenant will stand firm for him.

People **I will establish his line for ever *
and his throne as the days of heaven."**

Officiant "If his children forsake my law *
and do not walk according to my judgements;

People **If they break my statutes *
and do not keep my commandments;**

Officiant I will punish their transgressions with a rod *
and their iniquities with the lash;

People **But I will not take my love from him, *
nor let my faithfulness prove false.**

Officiant I will not break my covenant, *
nor change what has gone out of my lips.

People **Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: *
'I will not lie to David.**

Officiant His line shall endure for ever *
and his throne as the sun before me;

People **It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, *
the abiding witness in the sky.'"**

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" - a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands - remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

People Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast;
'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary rest.

Dear name! The rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place,
my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend, my prophet, priest, and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

Gospel

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

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May God be with you.
And also with you.

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The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Mark
Glory to you, Jesus the Christ.

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The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

People

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Sermon

A silence for reflection follows the sermon. If you missed part of the sermon or would like to listen to it again, it will be posted on our website in the Worship section.

Affirmation of Faith and the Baptismal Covenant

Officiant Let us affirm our faith and renew our baptismal covenant.

All **I believe in one 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 God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

I will continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.

I will persevere in resisting evil and, whenever I fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord.

I will proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ.

I will seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving my neighbours as myself.

I will strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.

I will strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the Earth. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

The Prayers of the People

Officiant God of reconciling love,

All **come and dwell among your people.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant Holy God of Israel, draw us near to you, so that, in place of hostility, there may be peace; in place of loneliness, compassion; in place of aimlessness, direction; and in place of sickness, healing; through Christ Jesus, in whom you draw near to us, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (translated from Maori)

Officiant Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

All **Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever.

Amen.

Announcements and Offering



Although we are not gathering for worship and other parish activities at this time, our ministry is continuing. As part of your worship today, please consider making an offering to support St John's work and witness. You can visit www.stjohnspeterborough.ca/donate for options including e-transfers and online giving through CanadaHelps, or scan the QR Code to the left with your mobile device. Thank you for your generous support of our ministry.

Offertory Music

My Song of Praise—Don Besig

I will walk with Jesus at my side, and the peace of God within my soul. I will trust my Saviour as my guide to keep me safe, to make me whole. I can find God's love in all I see. It's around me everywhere I go. I rejoice in all God give to me to bring me joy, to help me grow. My life's a song I will sing for the Lord; a song of thanks a song of praise, a gift of love that I will share with people everywhere. My grateful song I raise.

I will live in faith and have no fear, for the Lord will teach me right from wrong. I believe that God is always near to give me hope, to make me strong. I will serve the Lord in every way and proclaim the power of the Word. I will use my talents every day to show God's love to all the world! My life's a song I will sing for the Lord; a song of thanks a song of praise, a gift of love that I will share with people everywhere. My grateful song I raise.

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Welcome!

COVID-19 Protocols

Please see the Pandemic Protocols for the Amber Stage poster highlighting precautions to be taken for in-person worship.

Children's Ministry

We welcome children and youth. They are welcome to remain with you to worship and do not have to remain perfectly still and quiet! Please feel free to allow them to roam if they wish. At this time, due to restrictions around COVID-19, we are unable to offer nursery services or the Sunday School. Families are most welcome to bring colouring sheets, toys, and snacks for their children if they wish.

On Posture in Worship

It is customary that we stand to pray and sing and sit to hear God's Word proclaimed and interpreted. Some people prefer to kneel to pray. Please adopt the posture that helps you to worship.

Visitor's Cards

Please do take the time to complete a visitor's card, which can be found in the pocket at the aisle end of your pew. We would love the opportunity to stay in touch with you.

Assistive Hearing Devices

If you are hard of hearing, headsets to assist you to hear the service are available. Please ask a Greeter or Sidesperson (usher) to assist you in finding and operating a headset.

Accessibility

The facility is entirely accessible through the Brock St entrance. There are three accessible parking spots in the upper lot off Brock St. The church is level with the Brock St entrance and all other levels of the facility are accessible via elevator.

Washrooms/Change Table

Fully accessible washrooms are located down the hall to the right as you enter the lobby from Brock St. A change table is in the nursery at the end of the hall.

Fragrances

We ask that you refrain from wearing strong fragrances in order to accommodate those with breathing sensitivities.