



CHURCH OF
ST JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
October 17th, 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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Notes on worship during the pandemic

We desire that every person entering into St John's for worship may feel welcome and safe. To that end, as a Christian community that seeks to follow the example of Jesus by setting aside personal desires for the good of our neighbours, we observe the following protocols in worship.

Physical Distancing

Worshippers not from the same household should maintain a minimum 2m/6' distance from each other. Ushers will seat worshippers in the odd rows of seating in order to maintain distance ahead of and behind each person.

Masks

Masks must be worn by all persons at all times inside the building except the brief moment where the bread is consumed at Communion.

Congregational Singing

We understand the deep longing to raise our voices together in song—it is an ancient and uplifting part of the Christian tradition. At this time, however, congregational singing is not permitted due to the unknown virulence of aerosol transmission. You will find the words to the hymns printed in the order of service: those who have invited us into your home may sing along; those who are here in person may say the words softly as a prayer or simply enjoy listening to them being sung.

Receiving Communion

At the direction of the College of Bishops, Communion will be received in one kind (the bread alone) by the congregation. At the appropriate time, please come forward by the centre aisle, observing physical distancing from the person ahead, to the front of the chairs and wait there until the priest says the words of administration. Respond by saying "Amen" and then proceed to the priest to receive the Host. Move to the sanitiser station, remove your mask, consume the bread, replace your mask, and sanitise your hands. Then, please return to your seat by the outside aisles.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration of your fellow worshippers.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Veni Creator

Jean Titelouze

The Congregation stands as the hymn begins. In-person worshippers are asked to refrain from singing.

Hymn 432—Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

St. Oswald

Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
saying, "Christian, follow me!"

As of old Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store;
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Saviour, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.

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.**

Land Acknowledgement

Presider 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.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Kyrie Eleison

All **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

Presider Most glorious God, in Jesus you call your people to true humility and servanthood. Grant to us the boldness to desire a place in your kingdom, the courage to drink the cup of suffering, and the grace to find in service the glory you promise; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Congregation sits at the conclusion of the prayer.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Job 38:1-7,34-41

Reader A reading from the Book of Job.

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements - surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?" "Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the

wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

104:1-9,25,37b

The Leader and Congregation read the Psalm responsively by verse.

Leader Bless the LORD, O my soul; *
O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and splendour.

People **You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *
and spread out the heavens like a curtain.**

Leader You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; *
you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind.

People **You make the winds your messengers *
and flames of fire your servants.**

Leader You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
so that it never shall move at any time.

People **You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
the waters stood higher than the mountains.**

Leader At your rebuke they fled; *
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.

People **They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, *
to the places you had appointed for them.**

Leader You set the limits that they should not pass; *
they shall not again cover the earth.

People **O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.**

Leader Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Mel-chizedek.

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The Congregation stands as the hymn begins. In-person worshippers are asked to refrain from singing.

Hymn 439—Blest are the Pure in Heart

Franconia

Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with us,
our pattern and our King,

still to the lowly soul
his presence doth impart
and for a dwelling and a throne
chooseth the pure in heart.



Lord, we thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be:
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple fit for thee.

Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

Gospeller May God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

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

Gospeller James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

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

Sermon

The Congregation sits for the sermon. A silence for reflection follows the sermon. If you would like to listen to the sermon again, you can find it within the recording of the service on our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/StJohnsPtbo/videos/

Please stand when the Presider stands.

Affirmation of Faith

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

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 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 of the People

*The Prayers of the People are offered by members of the congregation.
They reflect the needs and concerns of the local church and community,
and of people in various kinds of need, sickness, or adversity throughout the world.*

Confession and Absolution

Presider As we acknowledge our human frailty, we call to mind our sins of word, deed, and omissions, and confess them before God our Father. *Silence.*

All **God of all mercy,
giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and**

marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

Presider Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Peace is exchanged with words alone as a symbol of our reconciliation with our neighbour before approaching the altar. Please do not shake hands or move from your place.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

At the Offertory, gifts of bread and wine, signs of the fruit of human labour, are brought to the altar to be transformed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, signs of God's love for the world. The money offering, a sign of our gratitude for God's blessing of our lives, collected before the liturgy, is blessed.

If you are participating in worship online, please consider making your offering through one of the means available at www.stjohnspeterborough.ca/donate.

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Hymn Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness,
that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us all your purposes, for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the earth is filled with your glory.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

All **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels, with the fellowship of saints and the company of heaven, we glorify your holy name, evermore praising you and singing,

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider We praise you, merciful Father, not as we ought, but as we are able, because in your tender love you gave the world your only Son, in order that the world might be saved through him. He made you known by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick, liberating the oppressed, reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross, he confronted the power of sin and disarmed it for ever. In his offering of himself, he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Redeemed by Christ, we have been adopted as your children; by your pardon you have made us worthy to praise you.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body

which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

In obedience to him and with grateful hearts we approach your holy table, remembering our Saviour’s sacrifice, and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

All **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Presider Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer (translated from Maori)

Presider 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Presider Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. In this Eucharist, many are made one.

Communion

Jesus is the Host who invites us to share his Table. All those who are baptised in any tradition are welcome to receive Communion. For those present in person, please come forward to receive according to the direction that is given. For those who are present in spirit, the following prayer may be said to make a spiritual Communion.

I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, enthroned on the altar, be now enthroned in my heart; may you, present in bread and wine, feed and renew my soul; may you, who give yourself to us again, fill us with grace and heavenly blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your kingdom shall come on earth as it is heaven. Amen.

Music during Communion

Fairest Lord Jesus Medley

COMMISSIONING AND SENDING

Announcements

*Please stand at the conclusion of the announcements.
Having been fed with the spiritual food of our Lord,
we now prepare to be sent into the world to share the light and life of God.*

Prayer after Communion

Presider 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.**

Blessing

The Presider offers the blessing; the congregation responds, “Amen.”

The in-person congregation is asked to refrain from singing.

Hymn

606—There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

Gott Will’s Machen

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy like the wideness of the sea;
there’s a kindness in God’s justice which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth’s sorrows are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth’s failing have such kindly judgement given.

There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

Foolish hearts, why will you scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Fainting souls, why will you wander from a love so true and deep?

For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind,
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

Dismissal

Presider

Go in peace to love and serve God and God’s people!

All

Thanks be to God, thanks be to God, thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia!

Thanks be to God, thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Postlude

Celtic Postlude—J Gilbert

Liturgical Ministers

Presider	The Rev. Canon Brad Smith
Preacher	The Rev. Canon Brad Smith
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Welcome!

COVID-19 Protocols

Please see the notes on the inside front cover of this order of service for precautions we are taking 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. 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 a rack near each of the doors. 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.