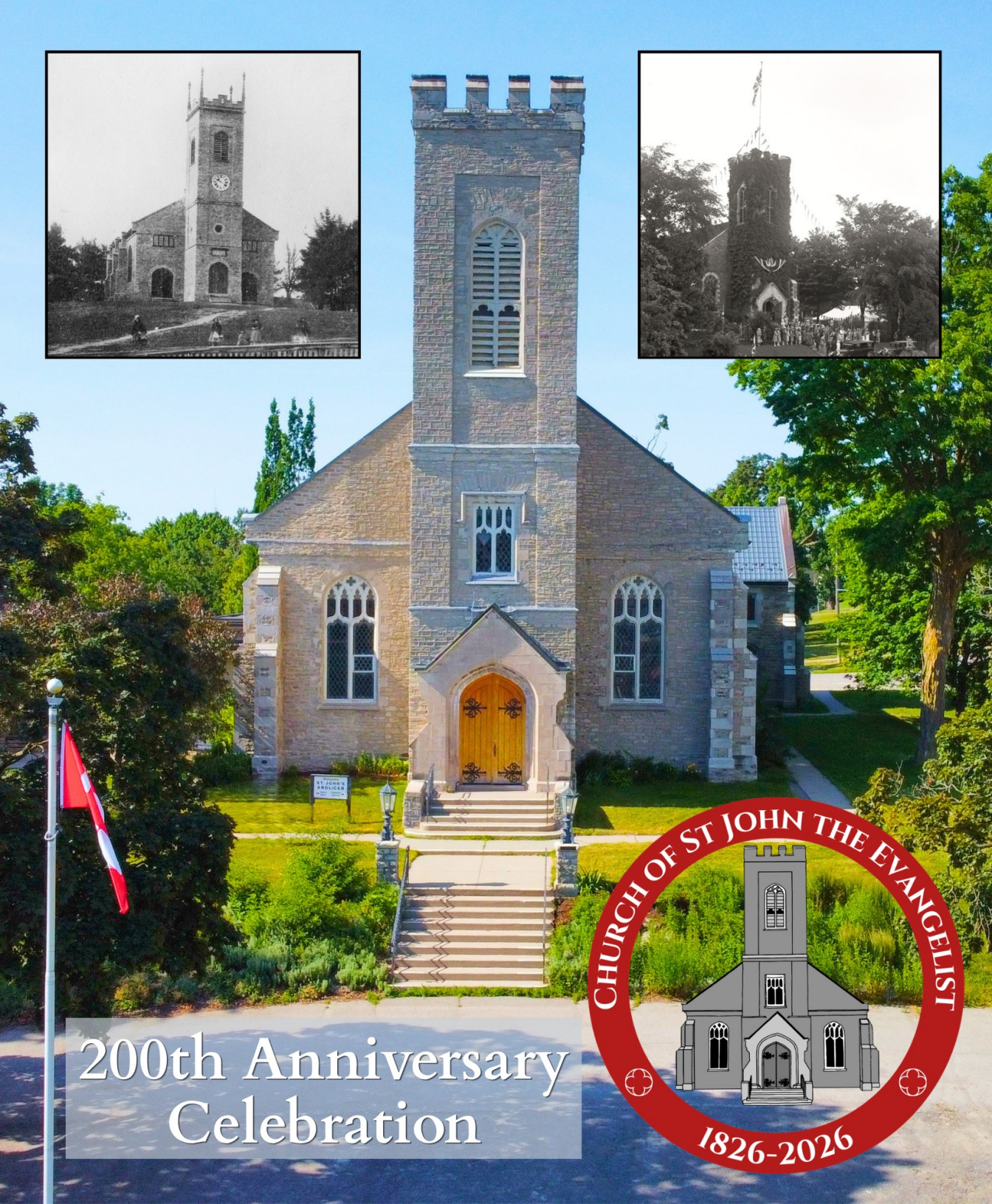




200th Anniversary
Celebration



A Brief History of St John's

The parish of Peterborough was created on September 4th, 1826, under the leadership of the Rev. Samuel Armour. In 1834, the congregation petitioned government for the block of land, carved out of the military grants, on which the church stands. The building, begun in 1835, used John Howard's standard design, which was customized by William Coverdale. The church was built in stone quarried locally near Jackson Creek and was one of the two earliest stone Anglican churches of Gothic design in British North America. The church was consecrated on September 7th, 1843.

The church was extensively redesigned in 1882 to conform to new expectations of Anglican church architecture. The renovation, completed by prolific Peterborough architect John Belcher (who also built the Glebe House), extended the chancel and sanctuary to the north of the original nave and added the east wing with the sacristy (which was further enlarged in 1907). The top of the tower was changed from pinnacle to battlements and the tower doors became the primary entrance (compare the left inset photo on the cover to the church today). The interior of the church was redecorated in 1921 and the chapel was added in 1957, along with the narthex and office wing that connected the church to the Guild Hall. The chancel, nave, and chapel were extensively renovated in 2021, including removing the pews and installing chairs. The Guild Hall, originally built as the Sunday School Building, was built in 1878 and has been renovated several times, in 1901, 1926, 1957, 1980 (after a fire), 1990, and 2008. The 1926 enlargement boasted one of the best theatre arrangements in town until the Peterborough Theatre Guild was formed.

The tower houses the People's Chime (so-named because it was paid for by subscriptions from citizens of Peterborough City and County), then and still the largest set of bells between Toronto and Ottawa, which was installed in 1911. The bells were refurbished in 1992 by the Taylor Foundry in England and new bells were added. The People's Chime now has 15 bells but the tower could accommodate a carillon of 24 bells as only the smaller ones remain to be added.

St John's is known for its historic building and the notable People's Chime, but the parishioners are the real backbone of the parish. In the parish's 200 year history, there have been 15 Rectors, along with many assistant curates, vicars, interim priests, and deacons. In addition to the clergy, there have been many staff (organists, custodians, and secretaries/administrators) and innumerable volunteers (including churchwardens, treasurers, heads of guilds and committees, lay readers, and so many more) who have contributed to the worship, service, and fellowship of the parish. From its earliest days, when the first Rector was also Peterborough's first schoolteacher, St John's has contributed to Peterborough society. The parish supported people in need through the Widows' and Orphans' Fund and was the marshalling point for first responders and the collection of the wounded in the catastrophic Quaker fire of December 1916. In the last twenty years, St John's has had an active ministry to vulnerable neighbours experiencing poverty, food insecurity, loneliness, mental health issues, addiction, etc.

As we look back on the evolution of the buildings and the ministries of the parish over the last 200 years and look forward to our third century of ministry, we are mindful of the words of the Rt. Rev. J.F. Sweeney, Bishop of Toronto, on the occasion of the centenary of the parish: "This church must ever be a beacon on a hill, and the ivy-clad walls and tower, planted by vanished hands amid the sound of voices that are still, must continue to be a thing of beauty and joy as long as this city lasts."



The 200th Anniversary of the Parish September 13th, 2026—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 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 and sexual orientations, 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

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.

Prelude	Festive Variations	Michael Helman
	A Fancy on “Westminster Abbey”	Richard C. Baker
	Prelude on “Christe Sanctorum”	Richard C. Baker
	Fanfare	C.S. Lang

The Congregation stands as the hymn begins.

Hymn	Let Us Build A House (All Are Welcome)	Two Oaks
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**Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

**Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God’s children dare to seek to dream God’s reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God’s grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

**Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space,
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

**Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they’ve known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God’s face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Introit

“O Sing to the Lord”

Eleanor Daley

Choir

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he hath done marvellous things!

The Greeting

Bishop

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.

Acclamation

Bishop

How awesome is this place.

People

**This is none other than the house of God,
and this is the gateway of heaven.**

Bishop

I saw a ladder which rested on the ground
with its top reaching to heaven,
and the angels of God were going up and down it.

People

**This is none other than the house of God,
and this is the gateway of heaven.**

Bishop

You will see greater things than this.
You will see heaven wide open,
and God’s angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

People

**This is none other than the house of God,
and this is the gateway of heaven.**

Bishop

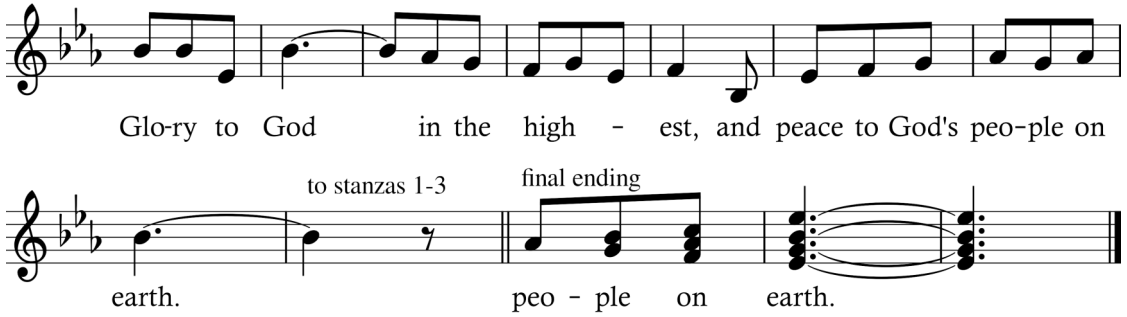
You are the temple of the living God,
and the Spirit of God dwells in you.
The temple of God is holy, and you are that temple.

People

**This is none other than the house of God,
and this is the gateway of heaven.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Refrain



Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. *Refrain*

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Final Refrain*

Collect for the Parish Bicentenary

Bishop

God of life and love, who put into the hearts of our ancestors in faith the building of a church in this place: we give you thanks and praise for your steadfast mercy through the generations; for the calling of this parish of St John the Evangelist to serve the needs of our neighbours and to proclaim the good news of your kingdom. In our bicentennial year, renew in us our zeal for your mission: let us be generous, compassionate, and faithful servants of the gospel and wise stewards of the heritage handed down to us, that this place and its people may be a light upon the hill, showing forth your love to all who see it. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

The Bishop and attendants proceed to the Font.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Bishop

Let us give thanks to God our Maker.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the

baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Creator, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who here pass through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Bishop and attendants proceed to the Lectern.

Thanksgiving for the Word of God

Bishop Almighty God, your eternal Word speaks to us through the words of holy scripture. Here we have heard of your mighty acts and purposes in history, and here we have learned about those whom you have chosen to be agents of your will. Inspired by the revelation of your Son, we seek your present purposes. Give us ears to hear and hearts to obey. This we ask through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

All **Amen.**

The Bishop and attendants return to the Chancel.

The Congregation sits.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 58:1-12

Reader A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practised righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God. "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your

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

except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him" - these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Congregation stands.

Hymn

10—We, the Lord's People

Christe Sanctorum

**We, the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting,
praise him who called us out of sin and darkness
into his own light, that he might anoint us a royal priesthood.**

**This is the Lord's house, home of all his people,
school for the faithful, refuge for the sinner,
rest for the pilgrim, haven for the weary; all find a welcome.**

**This is the Lord's day, day of God's own making,
day of creation, day of resurrection,
day of the Spirit, sign of heaven's banquet, day for rejoicing.**

**In the Lord's service, bread and wine are offered,
that Christ may take them, bless them, break, and give them
to all his people, his own life imparting, food everlasting.**

Gospel Acclamation *(sung before and after the Gospel)*



Gospel

Matthew 5:13-16

Gospeller

May God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Gospeller

The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People

Glory to you, Jesus the Christ.

The Congregation sits. The Gospel is told by the Biblical Storyteller.

Gospeller

The Gospel of Christ.

People

Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

The Bishop proceeds to the Pulpit.

Thanksgiving for the Teaching of the Church

Bishop

Almighty God, we have heard your words to us in holy scripture, and know your call to each of us. In every age you have spoken through the voices of prophets, pastors, and teachers. We give you thanks that over the years we have heard you speak to us through the preaching of your word in this place. Grant that those who preach in this place may proclaim the crucified and risen Christ and interpret your word with sensitivity and insight, that we may hear that word inwardly and respond to it in all our life. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, your living Word.

All

Amen.

Sermon

A silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Anthem

“In the Silence, Word Eternal”

Jason Locke; soloist Robyn Hawthorne

In the silence, Word eternal, before breath and dust and flame, source of beauty, ground of being, all creation bears your Name. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

Called from shadow into brightness claimed in love and set apart, born of grace, not will not striving, we are held in God’s own heart. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

In our doubt and in our daring, when our fragile hopes are pressed, Christ, the Word, draws close to cheer us, grace on grace our only rest.

Voices rise from years remembered, choir and vigil, prayer and praise; grace has kept us, grace will guide us, steadfast through unnumbered days. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. In the silence, Word eternal.

The Congregation stands at the invitation of the Bishop.

Affirmation of Faith

Bishop

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

Leader In joy and gratitude, we lift up our voices to God our Creator, who in love has given us light and life.

All For the Church universal, of which this building is a visible symbol,
We thank you, God of light and life.

Leader For your presence whenever two or three have gathered in your name,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For this place where we may be still and know that you are God,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For our past and a vision of the future that lies ahead,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the gift of the Holy Spirit and new life in baptism,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the pardon of our sins when we have fallen short of your glory,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the holy eucharist in which we have a foretaste of your eternal kingdom,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For all the benefactors of this place who have died in the peace of Christ and are at rest,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader For the fellowship of all your saints, and especially for St John the Evangelist, our patron,
All **We thank you, God of light and life.**

Leader O God, from living and chosen stones you prepare an everlasting dwelling place for your majesty. Grant that in the power of the Holy Spirit those who serve you here may always be kept within your presence. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever.
All **Amen.**

The Peace

Bishop Peace to this house from God our heavenly Father.
Peace to this house from God's Son who us our peace.
Peace to this house from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.
The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Please turn to the people around you and exchange a sign of God's peace.

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.

Hymn 502—You Are Salt for the Earth Bring Forth the Kingdom

**You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people: life in the kingdom of God!
Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace;
bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!**

**You are a light on the hill, O people: light for the city of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people: shine for the kingdom of God!
Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace;
bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!**

**You are a seed of the word, O people: bring forth the kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice grow in the kingdom of God!**

**Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace;
bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!**

**We are a blest and a pilgrim people bound for the kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland: love is the kingdom of God!
Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace;
bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!**

Prayer over the Gifts

Bishop Eternal Creator, hear the prayers of your faithful people and receive all that we offer you this day. Grant that all who celebrate this eucharist may please you by the offering of themselves and the fulfilling of your will. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Pattern and our Life.

All **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

<i>Presider</i>  May God be with you.	<i>People</i>  And also with you.
<i>Presider</i>  Lift up your hearts.	<i>People</i>  We lift them up to God.
<i>Presider</i>  Let us give thanks to God our Cre - ator.	
<i>People</i>  It is right to offer thanks and praise.	

Bishop Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; heaven itself cannot contain you and your glory fills all the world. You accept our setting apart of places for your worship and in them pour out your gifts of grace upon your faithful people. This table is a sign to us of the heavenly altar, where your saints and angels praise you. Here we have recalled the sacrifice of your Son; here we have been fed with the body and blood of your Son; here our sins have been forgiven; here we have tasted the joys of your eternal kingdom. Grant that in these mysteries we may be united with one another and strengthened for service in your world. Therefore with angels and archangels and those who worship you in every age, we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

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

Hea - ven and earth of your glo - ry are full. Ho - san - na, ho -

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Bishop

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Blessed Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, 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.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command:

All

**We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory,**

Bishop

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your beloved ones; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

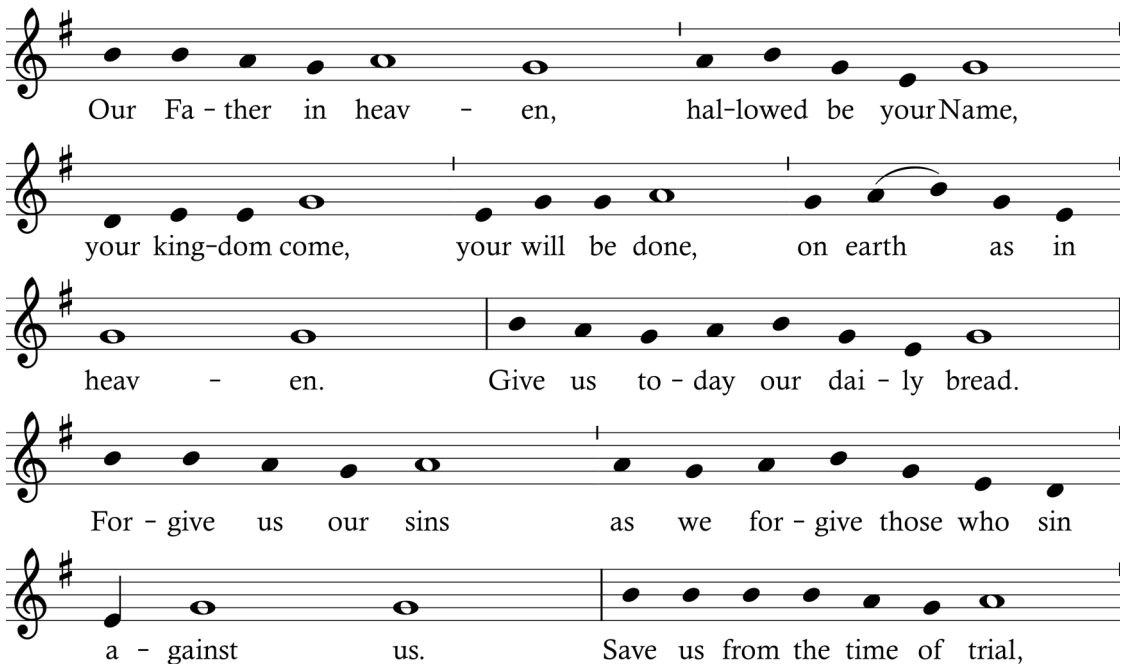
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Amen.

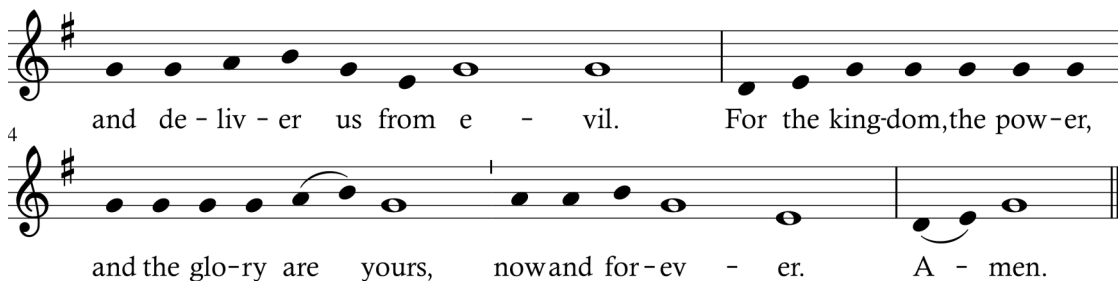
The Lord's Prayer

Bishop

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your Name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in
heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin
a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,



Breaking of the Bread

Bishop We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
All **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

Bishop The gifts of God for the People of God.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Bishop 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.

Fraction Anthem

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For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
 By these pledg - es that you love us, by your
 in your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; help us
 wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
 gift of peace re - stored, by your call to realms a -
 to o - bey your word; in the world to which you
 spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
 -bove us, con - se - crate our lives, O Lord:
 send us, let your king - dom come, O Lord!

The Congregation sits.

Communion

For those who are present in person, all baptised persons may receive Communion. Please come forward to the Chancel step via the centre aisle and return to your seat via the side aisles. Gluten free Hosts are available upon request. Those who find walking difficult may request that Communion be brought to them. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion may indicate their desire by crossing their arms over their breast when they approach the Presider.

Organ Meditation: Prelude on “Pange Lingua”

Alexandre Boëly

Hymn: 50—Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

Pange Lingua

Now, my tongue, the mystery telling of the glorious body sing,
and the blood, all price excelling, which the nations' Lord and King,
once on earth among us dwelling, shed for this world's ransoming.

That last night, at supper lying, with the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying, keeps the feast its rites demand;
then, more precious food supplying, gives himself with his own hand.

Word made flesh, by word he maketh very bread his flesh to be,
wine his blood for whoso taketh; and if senses fail to see,
faith alone the true heart waketh, to behold the mystery.

Therefore we, before him bending, this great sacrament revere;
types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here;
faith, our outward sense befriending, makes our inner vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing, to the Father and the Son;
honour, thanks, and praise addressing while eternal ages run,
and the Spirit's power confessing, who from both with both is one.

Communion Motet: “Ave Verum”

W.A. Mozart

COMMISSIONING AND SENDING

Announcements

Prayer after Communion

Bishop

God our Creator, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of

your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and sign of your peace in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

Doxology

Bishop

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.**

Blessing

Hymn

300—Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Westminster Abbey

**Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.**

**All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One-in-Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.**

**To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls alway.**

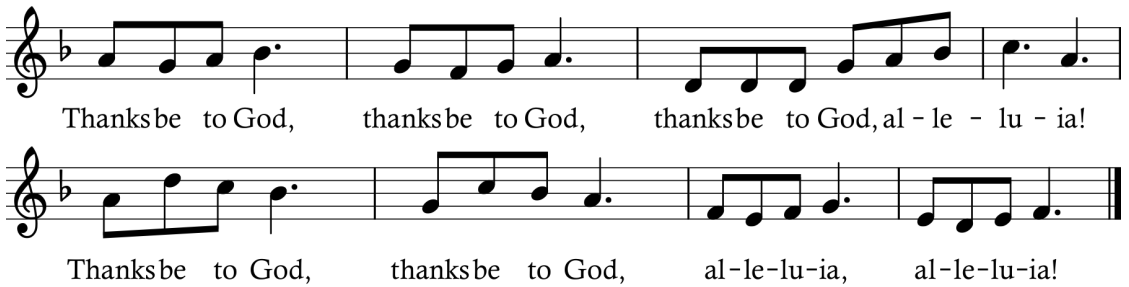
**Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain,
what they gain from thee forever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.**

Laud and honour to the Father,
 laud and honour to the Son,
 laud and honour to the Spirit,
 ever three, and ever one,
 one in might and one in glory,
 while unending ages run.

Dismissal

Rector
All

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves!



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 Toccata in G major

Théodore Dubois

TODAY'S MUSIC

PRELUDE: Our Cantabile Ringers open this Anniversary Sunday with “**Festive Variations**” by American composer **Michael Helman** (b.1956). Currently Director of Music/Organist at Faith Presbyterian Church in Cape Coral, Florida, he is an active composer of handbell, organ, and choral music with well over 140 pieces in print and having won many awards for his handbell compositions. This piece begins with an original theme followed by five variations that employ numerous ringing techniques including ring touch, echo, martellato, as well as a whole variation played by mallets. Changing moods and meters add to the interest to the piece.

Settings of two of today's hymns follow, both by Canadian organist and composer **Richard C. Baker** (b. 1949). First a rhythmic and dance-like setting of Henry Purcell's familiar tune “**Westminster Abbey**”. In Baker's setting, the tune is played in the pedals on a light reed stop, while the hands dance around on light flute stops. Then you will hear a prelude on today's gradual hymn, “We, the Lord's People”, set in Common Praise to a 1681 French melody “**Christe Sanctorum**”. Reminiscent of the chorale preludes of Healey Willan, here Baker sets the tune on diapason stops accompanied by strings and flutes. The tune alternates between the left hand and right hand.

The prelude concludes with British composer **C.S. Lang's** majestic “**Fanfare**”. Lang (1891-1971) was an organist and music teacher in West Sussex who, after a 20-year tenure as organist at Christ's Hospital School, resigned in 1945 to devote more of his time to composing and being a music examiner. This short Fanfare alternates passages between the tuba stop on the organ and the strong diapason stops.

INTROIT: Since 1982, **Eleanor Daley** (b. 1955) has been the Director of Music at Fairlawn Avenue United Church in Toronto. Her numerous choral works include a three-volume series of short introits for various seasons of the church year entitled *We Worship in Song*. “**O Sing to the Lord**” comes from her first set and takes its text from the first verse of Psalm 98. With its first line, “O sing to the Lord a new song”, it seemed appropriate to sing it today as the choir later sings the premiere of our commissioned anthem.

COMMUNION MEDITATION: **Alexandre Boëly** (1785-1858) was a French organist and composer who, as the Romantic movement was sweeping through Europe during the 1800's, did not follow along and kept to his classical leanings. For this reason his music was and remains largely unknown, even though he wrote over 300 works for piano, organ and small ensembles. This “**Prelude on a Gregorian Hymn**” is based on the plainsong tune “Pange Lingua”, the tune for today's communion hymn. In his setting the tune is heard in the top voice, stretched out however on long notes.

ANTHEM: At the beginning of this year, the Bicentennial Committee decided to honour our 200th anniversary with the commissioning of a brand new anthem. Toronto composer, pianist and organist **Jason Locke** was commissioned to write an anthem based on the first few verses of John's Gospel. The choir received the finished product in mid-May and began working on it. Jason paraphrased several verses from John and created **"In the Silence, Word Eternal"** for choir and piano. We hope you enjoy it as much as we do.

POSTLUDE: French organist and composer Théodore Dubois (born Aug 24th, 1837-1924) wrote much organ music for church use. As a composer, Dubois was seen as capable and tasteful, but not strikingly original or inspired. As a teacher at the Paris Conservatoire, he continued his predecessor's conservative curriculum. He was forced to retire early after a scandal erupted over the faculty's attempt to rig the "Prix de Rome" competition to prevent the modernist Maurice Ravel from winning it! This rhythmic **"Toccata in G+"** comes from his *Twelve Pieces for Organ* of 1901. Rapid manual passages are featured in this piece, with limited pedal. To make this a more suitable postlude, a middle section has been omitted today.

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Welcome!

Children's Ministry

We welcome children and youth, who may 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. Families are most welcome to use the activities in the children's area in the church and to bring colouring sheets, toys, and snacks for their children.

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

If you're visiting, please do take the time to complete a visitor's card, which can be found in the rack on the bookcase in the Chapel. We would love the opportunity to stay in touch with you.

Making an Offering (Donation)

To support the ministry of the parish, an offering may be made by placing cash or a cheque in an envelope available where you picked up this order of service. Please write your name and address on the envelope, then place it on the brass offering plate. Tax receipts are issued for gifts of \$25 or more. We also have a convenient pre-authorised giving program for monthly donations that are debited from your bank account or we accept e-transfers to office@stjohnspeterborough.ca. Please visit www.stjohnspeterborough.ca/donate for more information.

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Washrooms/Change Table

Accessible washrooms are located down the hall from the narthex (lobby). A change table is in the Armour Room at the end of the hall.

Fragrances

We ask that you refrain from wearing strong fragrances so that all may be included in our worship.

Fellowship & Refreshments

All are welcome to stay after the liturgy for fellowship and refreshments in the Guild Hall.