



# ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

ANGLICAN CHURCH IN THE BEACHES



## WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

*We are so glad to have you worship with us!*

*We are a growing, diverse, and energetic faith community learning to follow Jesus together.  
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.*



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**Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost  
Vision Sunday  
Holy Eucharist**

**10:30 AM – Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

*Celebrant & Preacher:* The Rev. Molly Finlay

*Reader:* Katya Park

*Reader & Intercessor:* John Quaggin

*Music Director:* Cara Halpin

*Soloist:* Tara Baxendale

**Prelude**

*How Lovely Shines the Morning Star* (J.C. Bach)

**Welcome & Gathering of the Community**

*(Please stand)*

**Opening Hymn**

*Dear God, Compassionate and Kind (verses 1, 4, 5)* (CP 455)

Dear God, compassionate and kind,  
Forgive our foolish ways.  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
In purer lives thy service find,  
In deeper reverence, praise,  
In deeper reverence, praise.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of thy peace,  
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm,  
O still, small voice of calm.

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
Almighty God,  
watchful and caring,  
our source and our end,  
all that we are and all that we have are yours.  
Accept us now,  
as we give thanks to you for this place  
where we have come to praise your name,  
to ask your forgiveness,  
to know your healing power,  
to hear your word,  
and to be nourished by the body and blood of your Son.

Be present always to guide and to judge,  
to illumine and to bless your people.  
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People*

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

### **The Readings**

*Reader*

A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord: I am going to restore the fortunes of the tents of Jacob, and have compassion on his dwellings; the city shall be rebuilt upon its mound, and the citadel set on its rightful site. Out of them shall come thanksgiving, and the sound of merrymakers. I will make them many, and they shall not be few; I will make them honored, and they shall not be disdained. Their children shall be as of old, their congregation shall be established before me; and I will punish all who oppress them. Their prince shall be one of their own, their ruler shall come from their midst; I will bring him near, and he shall approach me, for who would otherwise dare to approach me? says the Lord. And you shall be my people, and I will be your God. The Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the

young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord. *(Jeremiah 30:18-22, 31:3-5, 10-14)*

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22**

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

I will glory in the Lord; let the humble hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me out of all my terror.

Look upon him and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, and he will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.

He will keep safe all his bones; not one of them shall be broken.

Evil shall slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be punished. The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, and none will be punished who trust in him.

*Reader*

A reading from the book of Acts.

Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved. (Acts 2:38-39, 41-47)

*Reader*  
*People*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Molly Finlay**

*(Please stand)*

## The Apostles' Creed

*Celebrant* Let us confess our faith as we say,  
*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 the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*(Please sit or kneel for prayer)*

## The Prayers of the People

### Confession and Absolution

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
he welcomes sinners  
and invites them to his table.  
Let us confess our sins,  
confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant*  
*All*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name.  
**Amen.**

*Celebrant*

Almighty God 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. **Amen.**

*(Please stand)*

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We exchange a sign of God's peace to one another, with a smile or peace sign.  
No hugs or handshakes for now. You may be seated after the sharing of The Peace.*

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

## Invitation to Offering

*We at St John the Baptist Norway give regularly to God's work through offerings and other gifts. Our offerings support the life of the parish, as well as the work we do in the world, both locally and globally.*

*We invite you to contribute financially as you can to the life and ministry of the parish. If you wish to donate in person or sign up for pre-authorized giving, you may contact the Church Office via e-mail or telephone using the information listed on the back of our bulletin.  
Thank you.*

*(Please stand)*

## The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant* God of constant love,  
you have guided your people  
in all times and ages.  
May we who offer you our praise today  
always be ready to follow where you lead;  
we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*People* **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,  
for the gift of a world full of wonder,  
and for our life which comes from you.  
By your power you sustain the universe.

You created us to love you with all our heart,  
and to love each other as ourselves,  
but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son,  
you bring healing to our world  
and gather us into one great family.  
Therefore, with all who serve you  
on earth and in heaven,  
we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

*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.**

*Celebrant*

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father,  
because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us  
you showed us how much you love us.  
He cares for the poor and the hungry.  
He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back  
but overcame hatred with love.  
On the cross  
he defeated the power of sin and death.  
By raising him from the dead  
you show us the power of your love  
to bring new life to all your people.

On the night before he gave up his life for us,  
Jesus, at supper with his friends,  
took bread, gave thanks to you,  
broke it, and gave it to them,  
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:  
this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,  
said the blessing, gave it to his friends,  
and said, "Drink this, all of you:  
this is the cup of my blood,  
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many,  
so that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in memory of me."

Gracious God,  
with this bread and wine  
we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus,  
and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,  
that we may know the presence of Jesus  
in the breaking of bread,  
and share in the life  
of the family of your children.

Father, you call us to be your servants;  
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,  
that all the world may gather in joy  
at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father,  
through Jesus, our Lord,  
in the power of the Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

*People*

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,  
*People* **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.  
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
whoever believes in me will never thirst."  
*People* **Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!**

## The Communion

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God.  
*People* **Thanks be to God!**

*Soloist* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:  
grant us thy peace.

Communion Music

*Taste and See* (James Moore)

*(Please stand)*

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
God our guide,  
you have fed us with bread from heaven  
as you fed the people of Israel.  
May we who have been inwardly nourished  
we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Doxology**

*Celebrant* 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.**

### **The Blessing**

### **Announcements**

*(Please stand)*

### **Closing Hymn**

*How Firm a Foundation* (verses 1, 2, 5) (CP 527)

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by my gracious, omnipotent hand.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, tho' all hell should endeavour to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"

### **Dismissal**

*Celebrant*      Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*          **Thanks be to God!**

### **Postlude**

*St. Denio* (arr. John Roberts)

### **Announcements & Events**

#### **St. John's This Week**

**Wednesday**    Holy Eucharist in the Chapel at 12noon  
**Thursday**      Handbell Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 7-8pm  
                          Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 8-9pm

#### **Choir**

Choir is restarting! If you would like to join in this wonderful ministry, please contact Cara at [music@stjohnsnorway.com](mailto:music@stjohnsnorway.com) or call her at 416-712-7922 for more details.

#### **Memorial Flowers**

If anyone wishes to give flowers to the glory of God and in memory, thanksgiving, or celebration of a loved one, please contact Edward at the office for more information.



**Notes**

# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The land we are standing on today is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit, and the Williams Treaties signed with multiple Mississaugas and Chippewa bands

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