



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-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Family Eucharist

10:30 AM – Sunday, October 31st, 2021

Leaders: The Rev. Molly Finlay
Lo Cook

Yohan Dumpala

Readers: Kai Park, Lukas Park

Music Director: Cara Halpin

Soloist: Tara Baxendale

Prelude Music

Welcome & Gathering of the Community

(Please stand)

Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision (verses 1, 2, 4) (CP 505)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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 Together, let us pray.
All **Almighty God,
whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call,
rejoicing in your promise
that in him the family of the earth is blessed,
give us faith like his,
that in us your promises may be fulfilled;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Proclamation of the Word

The Readings

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation. He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God! *(Hebrews 9:11-14)*

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

Psalm 146

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever;

Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Hallelujah!

All stand for the Gospel.

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions. *(Mark 12:28-34)*

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

(Please stand)

What We Believe

Celebrant Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

Celebrant Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

Celebrant Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

Celebrant This is the faith of the Church.

All **This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

(Please sit or kneel for prayer)

The Prayers of the People

The Confession and Prayer of Pardon

Celebrant Beloved in Christ, Jesus the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. Let us turn to the light and confess our sins.

All **We confess to you, Heavenly Father,
how unlike you we are in our attitudes and actions.
We strive for recognition and acclaim from others.
We look out for our own needs and concerns,
failing to care for others except when it serves our own purposes.
Forgive us our sins and renew our hearts.
Show us how we can only achieve greatness
and gain our lives by giving them away.
Work in us the power of your Holy Spirit
so we become more like you
and so bring glory to our Father in heaven.
This we pray in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant **Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace;
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.**

People **Amen.**

(Please stand)

The Peace

Celebrant **The peace of the Lord be always with you.**

People **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.*

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. Instructions for submitting contributions online can be found on our website. If you wish to sign up for pre-authorized giving, please visit our Welcome Desk or contact our Parish Administrator via e-mail or telephone using the information listed on the back of our bulletin. Thank you.

(Please stand)

Celebrant Together, let us pray.
People **God of freedom,
accept all we offer you this day.
May we embrace the law of your service
and know the glorious liberty of the children of God.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
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, 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 rejected.
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.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

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 We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
People **We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

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

Communion Music

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) (Matt Redman, arr. by Heather Sorenson)

(Please stand)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.
Heavenly Father,
bring to perfection within us
the communion we share in this sacrament.
May the unity we know this day
live in our community and family.
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
All 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

All Creatures of Our God and King (verses 1, 3, 7) (CP 355)

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Bright burning sun and golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear,

Alleluia, alleluia!

Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their creator bless, and worship God in humbleness,

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

Celebrant So now go in peace, remember the poor,
be kindly affectioned one to another!

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Music

Announcements & Events

St. John's This Week

Sunday Halloween Youth Film Viewing Party

Wednesday Holy Eucharist in the Chapel at 12noon

Thursday Handbell Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 7-8pm

Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 8-9pm

Choir

If you would like to join in this wonderful ministry, please contact Cara at 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.

Daylight Savings Time Next Sunday

Just a reminder that next Sunday we fall back 1 hour for Daylight Savings Time.

2022 Church Budget Discussion

As we have mentioned in recent discussions on Joyful Giving, we invite all members of our Parish to join us on Nov 21, 2021 for a one hour discussion on our 2022 church budget. This will take place after the 10:30 service (starting at approx. 11:45 am), and we will present the current church financial position, and a draft 2022 budget with highlights for discussion.

Collectively, this is our Parish, and we want to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to understand our finances and participate in the planning process. The final 2022 budget will be tabled for approval at the February 2022 Vestry Meeting. We look forward to seeing you.

Our Parish Ministry Vision

Where is the Spirit calling us to step out in the year ahead? There are three key priorities: **deepening our discipleship roots as followers of Jesus** through prayer, study and fellowship for all ages; **invitation and radical welcome** which will involve each one of us issuing the call to our friends and neighbours to “Come and See!”; and **liturgical excellence and creativity** including effective preaching and beautiful, life-giving worship that is both traditional and innovative.

Of course, this is not all we do as Church! We continue to faithfully care pastorally for our people, to serve the poor and marginalized in our neighbourhood and beyond, and to celebrate all the feast days of our Calendar together. We also want to be a place where the next generation of leaders can learn, grow, and be encouraged. We are a place to feel at home, and to be called into our highest and best selves as we nurture our lives in Christ.

In order for us to move forward into the vision that God has for us, we want to be prepared! That means having a curate join us in the spring of 2022 and funding our critical Children’s Ministry. We also want to be sure that we can invest in communications to reach our friends and neighbours. We need your help to make this happen!



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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