



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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Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ

10:30 AM – Sunday, November 21st, 2021

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev. Molly Finlay

Reader: Alex Nicholson

Intercessor: Christina Blizzard

Music Director: Cara Halpin

Soloist: Tara Baxendale

Prelude

Adagio (John Bennett)

Welcome & Gathering of the Community

(Please stand)

Opening Hymn

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (verses 1, 3, 4) (CP 349)

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
come ye before him, and rejoice.

O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

For why, the Lord our God is good;
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

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.**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Proclamation of the Word

The Readings

Reader A reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

Now these are the last words of David: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favourite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the Lord speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has spoken, the Rock of Israel has said to me: One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land. Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

(2 Samuel 23:1-7)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 132:1-13

Lord, remember David, and all the hardships he endured;

How he swore an oath to the Lord and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:

"I will not come under the roof of my house, nor climb up into my bed;

I will not allow my eyes to sleep, nor let my eyelids slumber;

Until I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

"The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; we found it in the fields of Jearim.

Let us go to God's dwelling place; let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."

Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, you and the ark of your strength.

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; let your faithful people sing with joy.

For your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your Anointed.

The Lord has sworn an oath to David; in truth, he will not break it:

"A son, the fruit of your body will I set upon your throne.

If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

All stand for the Gospel.

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

(John 18:33-37)

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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 Eternal God,
by your grace you have raised us up
and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms.
Receive all we offer you this day,
and lead us in those good works
for which you have created us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
You exalted him as Lord of all creation
that he might present to you
an eternal and universal kingdom:
a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace,
a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.
Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow
as heaven and earth proclaim the glory of your name.

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.

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 "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!**

Choir 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

Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts (Henry Percy Smith)
We Are Not Alone (Pepper Choplin)

(Please stand)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.
Almighty God,
you have made us a royal priesthood
in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Make known his victory through us, we pray,
that all the world may see his light.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

Doxology

Celebrant

All

Glory to God,
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 *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* (verses 1, 2, 7) (CP 628)

O love, how deep, how broad, how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.

God sent no angel to our race,
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame
for us, and to this lost world came.

To God whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through the Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

Dismissal

Celebrant

People

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

Postlude

Voluntary in D (John Stanley)

The flowers on the altar are given by Scott and Kelly Carter to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ken and Marguerite Carter and the Belville Family.

Announcements & Events

St. John's This Week

- Sunday** Church Budget Discussion at 11:45am
Wednesday Holy Eucharist in the Chapel at 12noon
Thursday Handbell Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 7-8pm
Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary 8-9pm
Saturday Advent Wreath Making Parish Party 3-5pm

Apartment needed

One of our people needs a new home—soon! They are looking for a **one or two bedroom apartment and some kind of outdoor space** would be a dream. The **budget for this is \$1500/month**. Please **email Molly with any leads!** Thank you for brainstorming about this need in our community.

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.

Advent Wreath-Making Parish Party

Let's get together and kick off a festive Advent together—join us for an all-ages time of fellowship and fun as we make our own Advent Wreaths on Saturday November 27 from 3-5pm. Sign up at the Welcome Desk so we are ready with all the greenery we need! Contact Kathryn Kern at kathryn@kathryn-kern.com for questions or to help out!

Small Groups at St. John's

Due to popular demand, we are forming small groups to begin this winter term in January for 6 weeks! If you are interested in this life-giving way to gather for prayer, bible study, and fellowship please email the office or sign up outside in the narthex. Let us know if you would like to be in an in-person group or on ZOOM!

TODAY: 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.

Advent Outreach

Let us prepare for the coming of the Christ Child by ensuring that babies in our community have the basics. Moorelands Kids is a local organization supporting at-risk kids and their families. Please bring in one of the following during Advent for Moorelands' "baby bundles":

- 2 Undershirts size 3-6 months
- 3 Sleepers size 3-6 months
- 2 Receiving Blankets
- 3 Bibs
- 3-4 Baby Wash Cloths
- 2 Bath Towels
- 1 Baby Blanket
- 1 Package Baby Wipes
- 1 Zinc Oxide Cream 50-100g
- 1 Baby Lotion 500mL
- 1 Baby Soap 500mL
- 1 Sweater or Jacket
- 1 Soft Toy or Board Book

Financial donations can be made to St John's. Please mark for Baby Bundles on your envelopes. Contact Pat Murray at 416-698-7128 or at pat.murray58@hotmail.com if you have any questions. Let us care for the young vulnerable in our neighbourhood this Advent! All items should be in by December 12th.

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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