



ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

ANGLICAN CHURCH IN THE BEACHES



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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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Pentecost Sunday

10:30 AM – Sunday, May 24, 2026

Celebrant: The Rev'd Molly Finlay

Preacher: The Rev'd Christine Lambert

Deacon: The Rev'd John Quaggin

Subdeacon: Nathan Mani

Readers: Vivian Clements, Anusha Shetty, Maria Mangos, Dawn Gooden,
Stuart Hughes

Intercessor: John Monahan

Chalice Bearer: Jane Hegarty

Server: Ardith Baerveldt

Music Director: Declan Tse

Soloists: Zyion Stephens, Tarquin Wongkee, Daniel Rojas, Samuel Rothermal

Prelude Music

Welcome & Gathering of the Community

(Please stand)

Opening Hymn CP 306 – *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (verses 1, 2, 5)

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.

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 and everliving God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal,
keep us in the unity of your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 104:25-35, 37B

Choir How many and wise the works of the Lord!
The earth with its wealth of creatures is stored.
The sea bears in safety the ships to and fro;
Leviathan plays in the waters below.

Your creatures all look to you for their food.
Your hand opens wide, they gather the good.
When you hide your face, Lord, in anguish they yearn;
when you stop their breathing, to dust they return.

Refrain:

All Your Spirit, O Lord, makes life to abound.
The earth is renewed, and fruitful the ground.
To God be all glory and wisdom and might.
May God in his creatures forever delight.

Choir Before the Lord's might earth trembles and quakes.
The mountains are rent, and smoke from them breaks.
I promise to worship the Lord all my days.
Yes, while I have being, my God will I praise.

Rejoicing in God, my thought shall be sweet.
May sinners depart in ruin complete.
My soul, praise the Lord God – his name be adored.
Come, praise him, all people, and worship the Lord. **[Refrain]**

Clem A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Anusha Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?"

Maria Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

Dawn But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Stuart Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."
(Acts 2:1-21)

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

(Please remain seated or kneeling)

Hymn CP 637 – *Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire* (verses 1, 2, 4)
Choir Veni, creator Spiritus,
mentes tuorum visita,
imple superna gratia,
quae tu creasti, pectora.

All Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but one:
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song:
praise to thine eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel is carried down the centre aisle into the midst of the people gathered, as a symbol of God's sending out of Jesus—who is the “Word made flesh” into the world.

Gospel Acclamation (SJN Mass)

Joyfully
Introduction *mf*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

(John 7:37-39) (NIV)

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Acclamation (SJN Mass)

Joyfully
Introduction *mf*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Sermon **The Rev'd Christine Lambert**

(Please stand)

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith as we say,
All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

(Please be seated 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;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,
All 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.**

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 online through Canada Helps, please scan the QR code
and follow the link. To sign up for pre-authorized giving, you may contact
the Church Office at admin@stjohnsnorway.com or
call us at 416-691-4560. Thank you!*



(Please stand)

The Peace

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

Sharing "peace" with one another is an ancient Christian tradition, not only in the words of Jesus, but also in the practices of the Christian community.

Passing the peace began as a way for people in the Christian community to be reconciled to one another before making their offering at the altar.

It is for this reason that the Peace always comes before Communion.

We impart the Peace of Christ with one another when we greet each other in this meaningful way.

(Please remain standing and join in singing)

Offertory Song

Build Your Kingdom Here (Rend Collective)

Come set your rule, and reign in our hearts again.

Increase in us, we pray. Unveil why we're made.

Come set our hearts ablaze with hope, like wildfire in our very souls;

Holy Spirit, come, refresh us now.

We are your church; we need your pow'r in us.

We seek your kingdom first. We hunger and we thirst;

refuse to waste our lives for you're our joy and prize.

To see the captives' hearts released; the hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.

We lay down our lives for heaven's cause.

We are your church; we pray revive this earth.

Chorus:

Build your kingdom here.

Let the darkness fear.

Show your mighty hand.

Heal our streets and land.

Set your church on fire.

Send your justice now.

Change the atmosphere.

Build your kingdom here, we pray!

Unleash your kingdom's pow'r, reaching the near and far.

No force of hell can stop your beauty, changing hearts.

You made us for much more than this; awake the kingdom seed in us.

Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.

We are your church; We are the hope on earth. **[Chorus]**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Giver of life,
receive all we offer you this day.
Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church
continue to work in the world
through the hearts of all who believe.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People Amen.

*The Eucharistic Prayer will be sung on this feast day.
If you feel comfortable, please join in with the choir.
Alternatively, we invite you to enjoy this ancient way of praying
and allow the words of the liturgy to wash over you.*

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.
In fulfilment of your promise
you pour forth your Spirit upon us,
filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth.
You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.
Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus Benedictus (SJN Mass)

7 Introduction *mp*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might,

13 *mf*

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na_ in the high - est.

18 *mp* *mf* rit. - - - -

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na_ in the high - est.

Celebrant

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 Virgin 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."

All Therefore, Father, according to his command,
**We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant 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 children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
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 forever.

People

Amen.

Agnus Dei (SJN Mass)

55 Introduction *p*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

61 *mf* *rit.* *p*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

*We are pleased to offer communion in both kinds—the bread and wine.
You are welcome to take a small sip of wine from the chalice server,
guiding the cup with your hand, or you can simply pass the cup by.
Please know that you are receiving full communion with the bread alone.*

Communion Music

*Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (Alan Smith)
CP 647 – Spirit of the Living God*

Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart in mind, make us one in love:
humble, caring, selfless, sharing –
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
break me, melt me, mould me, fill me –
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me!

(Please stand)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.
Father,
may we who have received this eucharist
live in the unity of your Holy Spirit,
that we may show forth his gifts to all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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

CP 645 – Come Down O Love Divine

Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Dismissal

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

Postlude Music

St. John's This Week

Tonight **The Table Service** in the Sanctuary 5pm
Tuesday **Discipleship Small Groups** in the Sanctuary 7pm
Wednesday *The Church Office will be closed.*
 Service of the Word in the Chapel 12noon
Thursday **Choir Rehearsal** in the Sanctuary 7pm
Sunday **In-Person / Livestream Holy Eucharist Service**
 in the Sanctuary 10:30am
 AI and the Church with Rev. Tay Moss in the Lower Hall
 after 10:30AM service
 The Table Service in the Sanctuary 5pm

Welcome to St. John's Norway

No matter where you find yourself on your journey of faith, **you are so welcome to be here with us!** We are a community of people—young and old, from all backgrounds and walks of life, who are learning to follow Jesus. We ask questions, don't avoid the tough issues that life presents, and we want to love our neighbours. Please [fill out a Welcome Card online](#). We would love to hear from you!

St. John's Food Pantry

Our supply of most tinned goods and pasta is still plentiful but donations of any of the following would really be appreciated: juices, fruit cups, tinned fruit, cookies, crackers, hearty soups and stews, pasta sauce and instant oatmeal.
Thank you for your ongoing support of this ministry.

St. John's Norway Mass

You may have noticed in our bulletin this morning that we have new music! Our St. John's Norway Mass, composed by Canadian composer Stephanie Martin, is now a part of our liturgy. A very special thank you Declan Tse and our choir, who collaborated with Stephanie to create this beautiful music.

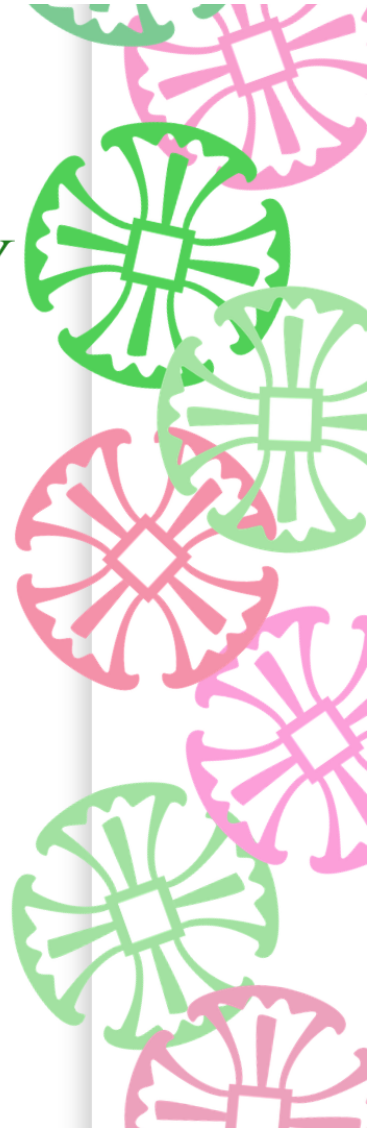
ST. JOHN'S NORWAY

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Sunday, May 31

AI and the Church
with The Rev'd Tay Moss

Come and see.





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 distinct 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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