



**Welcome to St. John's**

*Our Life Together*



***Silence is kept***



# Opening Responses

**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.



# Opening Song

*Please stand if you are able.*



# **Be Still**

**By David J. Evans**



**Be still for the presence of the Lord**  
**The Holy One is here**  
**Come bow before Him now**  
**With reverence and fear**



**In Him no sin is found  
We stand on holy ground  
Be still for the presence of the Lord  
The Holy One is here**



**Be still for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around  
He burns with holy fire  
With splendor He is crowned**





**How awesome is the sight  
Our radiant King of light  
Be still for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around**



**Be still for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place  
He comes to cleanse and heal  
To minister His grace**



**No work too hard for Him  
In faith receive from Him  
Be still for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place**

*End*



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# Collect

**All: Almighty God, through the waters of baptism your Son has made us children of light. May we ever walk in his light and show forth your glory in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**



**Children and Youth are invited  
to attend Sunday School  
in the Parish Hall**

A table for quiet play is available at the front.  
A children's play area & Nursery are available in  
the Upper Room, through the side doors.



# Old Testament

Reading from the First Book of  
Samuel 16:1-13, Pew Bible pg. 288

**Leader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to us now.

**People:** Thanks be to God



# New Testament

Reading from the Letter of Paul to the  
Ephesians 5:8-14, Pew Bible pg. 207

**Leader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to us now.

**People:** Thanks be to God





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# Gradual

*Please stand if you are able.*



# **Seek Ye First**

## **By Karen Lafferty**



**Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And God's righteousness  
And all these things  
Shall be added unto you  
Allelu, alleluia**



**Alleluia Alleluia**

**Alleluia Allelu Alleluia**



# The Gospel

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to John.

**All:** Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



# The Gospel

A Reading from the  
Gospel of John 9: 1-41

Pew Bible N.T. p. 105

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of Christ.

**All:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



**Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And God's righteousness  
And all these things  
Shall be added unto you  
Allelu, alleluia**





**Alleluia Alleluia**  
**Alleluia Allelu Alleluia**

*End*



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# *Homily*

**The Reverend Lucia Lloyd**



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# The Apostles' Creed

**Celebrant:** Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All:** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

# The Apostles' Creed



**All: 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.**

# The Apostles' Creed



**All: 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.**



# The Apostles' Creed

**All: 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.**





# **Prayers of the People**

*Please sit or kneel as you are able*

Response - All:

**Lord, hear our prayer.**



# 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.*



# Confession and Absolution

**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.



# Confession and Absolution

**All: 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.**

# Confession and Absolution



**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.

**All: Amen.**



# The Peace

*Please stand as you are able*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*A sign of the peace may be exchanged*



# Offertory Song

*Please stand if you are able.*

*An Offering is received as a plate is passed.  
Visitor Offering Envelopes are available.*



# **The Lord's My Shepherd**

**By Jessie Seymour Irvine**





**The Lord's my shepherd I'll not want  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green he leadeth me  
The quiet waters by**



**My soul he doth restore again  
And me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness  
Even for his own name's sake**



**Yea though I walk through death's  
dark vale  
Yet will I fear no ill  
For thou art with me and thy rod  
And staff me comfort still**



**My table thou hast furnished  
In presence of my foes  
My head thou dost with oil anoint  
And my cup overflows**



**Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me  
And in God's house for evermore  
My dwelling place shall be**

*End*



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# Prayer over the Gifts

**Celebrant:** God of light,

**All:** your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory. Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Eucharistic Prayer

*Please stand as you are able*



**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

**All:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.





**Celebrant:** It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people.



**Celebrant:** You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.



**Celebrant:** Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.



**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,  
Hosanna in the highest.**



**Celebrant:** Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.



**Celebrant:** He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.



**Celebrant:** On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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.”



**Celebrant:** 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.**"





**Celebrant:** Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.



**Celebrant:** Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All:** Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.



**Celebrant:** Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.



**Celebrant:** Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**



# **The Lord's Prayer**

*As Jesus taught us, let us pray: (singing)*

**Our father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**



# The Lord's Prayer

*As Jesus taught us, let us pray:*

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

# Breaking of the Bread



**Celebrant:** We break this bread,

**All:** Communion in Christ's body once broken.

**Celebrant:** Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All:** If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.



# The Communion

**Celebrant:** The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All:** Thanks be to God.





# Songs during Communion





# **Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus**

**By Helen H. Lemmel**



**O soul are you weary and troubled  
No light in the darkness you see  
There's light for a look at the Saviour  
And life more abundant and free**



**Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth  
Will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace**



**Through death into life everlasting  
He passed and we follow Him there  
Over us sin no more hath dominion  
For more than conquerors we are**



**Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth  
Will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace**



**His Word shall not fail you He promised  
Believe Him and all will be well  
Then go to a world that is dying  
His perfect salvation to tell**



**Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth  
Will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace**

*End*





Helen H. Lemmel

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# **Open The Eyes Of My Heart**

**By Paul Baloche**



**Open the eyes of my heart Lord**  
**Open the eyes of my heart**  
**I want to see You**  
**I want to see You**



**Open the eyes of my heart Lord**  
**Open the eyes of my heart**  
**I want to see You**  
**I want to see You**



**To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy holy holy**



**Open the eyes of my heart Lord**  
**Open the eyes of my heart**  
**I want to see You**  
**I want to see You**



**Open the eyes of my heart Lord**  
**Open the eyes of my heart**  
**I want to see You**  
**I want to see You**



**To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy holy holy**





**Holy holy holy**  
**Holy holy holy**  
**Holy holy holy**  
**I want to see You**



**Holy holy holy**  
**Holy holy holy**  
**Holy holy holy**  
**I want to see You**



**I want to see You**  
**I want to see You**  
**I want to see You**

*End*



Paul Baloche

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# **Breathe**

**By Marie Barnett**



**This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence living in me**

**This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word spoken to me**

**And I... I'm desperate for You  
And I... I'm lost without You**



**This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence living in me**

**This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word spoken to me**

**And I... I'm desperate for You  
And I... I'm lost without You**



**I'm lost without You**

**I'm lost without You**

**This is the air I breathe**

**This is the air I breathe**

*End*





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# Prayer after Communion



**Celebrant:** Father,

**All:** through your goodness we receive  
your Son in word and sacrament.  
May we always have faith in him,  
Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

# Doxology *Praise*



**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



# Closing Song

*Please stand if you are able.*



# **Amazing Grace**

**By John Newton**



**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see**



**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed**





**Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come  
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home**



**When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun**

*End*



John Newton

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# Sending Forth

**Celebrant:** Go forth in the name of Christ.

**All:** Thanks be to God.