

WELCOME TO
ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH

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Sunday, December 17, 2017

Holy Eucharist (BAS)
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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Note that for the 8:30 service there will be no hymns

Please stand as the (Choir) and Clergy enter.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 106 There's A Voice in the Wilderness

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

People **And also with you.**

Third Candle - The Candle of Love

Celebrant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord

All: **Thanks be to God Leader: Today is the Third Sunday of Advent and we will light the Candle of Love.**

Celebrant: Today we light the Third Candle of Advent, the Candle of Love. In their old age God gave to Zechariah and Elisabeth a son called John. John spoke to the people bravely in the desert denying his own comforts and prepared to die for what he believed. John taught that we should share what we have with others, treat each other kindly and show Gods love. He did this because he cared for people and wanted them to repent and find God's forgiveness.

(A person lights the Third Candle, the Candle of Love here)

Love is like a candle shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the love we have in Christ.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

All: **Lord God, Your witness John the Baptist grew up strong in spirit and prepared people for the coming of the Lord. He loved your people and baptized them in the River Jordan to wash away their sins. Help us to have the same love that we would be witnesses to him and spread the good news of your love. As Christmas draws closer day by day, help us to be ready to welcome him. Amen**

Collect for Purity

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 God of power and mercy,

All you call us once again
to celebrate the coming of your Son.
Remove those things which hinder love of you,
that when he comes,
he may find us waiting in awe and wonder
for him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit

First Reading Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11

After the reading:

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

8:30: Magnificat

All: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on
all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts
of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his
descendants forever."

10:30: Choir sings Magnificat in C

Stanford

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24

After the reading:

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 101 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Gospel Acclamation (10:30 Service only)



The Gospel Reading John 1: 6-8, 19-28

Before the gospel is read:

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.**

After the Gospel is read:

Deacon This is the Gospel of Christ

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

SERMON (*Please sit*)

This Little Light of Mine – (Sung 3 times)

This little light of mine, I'm gonna to let it shine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna to let it shine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna to let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

THE APOSTLES CREED

Please stand

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. 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.

Prayers of the People (*please assume a position of prayer*)

Confession and Absolution

Silence is kept.

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.

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.

People **Amen.**

The Peace (*please stand*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

OFFERTORY HYMN 112 Behold The Mountain of the Lord

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant; God of hope,

All renew in us the joy of your salvation
and make us a living sacrifice to you,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 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.

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.

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 (choir 10:30) **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.

Gregory Murray

...Please assume a position of prayer

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."
Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All **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 sons and daughters;
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 for ever.

All Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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 God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All **Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

Agnus Dei (*sung by the choir at 10:30*) *Larkin*

All(8:30) **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.**

Solo **Aria from Rinaldo Handel Gabriella Newnham**

Anthem(s) **What is this Lovely Fragrance** *Willan*

Prayer(s) after Communion

Please stand

Celebrant Merciful God,
All **may this eucharist free us from our sins,
fill us with unending joy,
and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,
who is Lord now and for ever. Amen**

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

Celebrant The Lord bless and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour and grant you peace.

All *Amen*

HYMN **114** **Lo, He Comes With Clouds**

DISMISSAL

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE Concerto in A minor *Bach/Vivaldi*

Our Prayers Today

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: We pray for The Episcopal Church in Wyoming

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA: We pray for General Secretary Archdeacon Michael Thompson, and national staff of the Anglican Church of Canada

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: We pray for The Social Justice and Advocacy Committee

DEANERY CYCLE OF PRAYER: We pray for Retired Clergy: The Rev. William Montgomery and The Rev. Murray McColl

PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER: We pray for Mike Hanley, Doris Harris, Graham Hart and Karen Sadler and Sharon Harvey

PARISHIONERS IN HOSPITAL and THOSE REQUESTING PRAYER: Ivy Buott, Dave Gracie, John McGrath, Lois MacVichie, Arv Wilson, Jill Bromley.

PRAY for those who have died: Jean Brown,

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH today given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of: Carl Greensides from Barry and Marg Greensides

Ministering Through Liturgy

Lectors: 8.30am: Diana Lehman

10.30am: Sylvia Sutherland, Russell Cook

Servers: Kate Gregg, Deanna Hurford

Eucharist Ministers: Peggy and Dave Watton, Marilyn Sutherst, Russell Cook

Intercessor: 8.30am: Diana Lehman

10.30am: Marilyn Sutherst

Celebrant: 8.30am: Pastor Jim Halmarson

10.30am: Pastor Jim Halmarson

Preacher: The Reverend Suzanne McMillan

Deacon: The Reverend Suzanne McMillan

Chancel: Sandy Gunn, Lynda Mercer, Debbie Hofman, Norma Jean Laing

Sidespeople: Randy Pagett, Catherine Skinner, Dave and Peggy Watton, Bunny Laing

Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Hall after the 10.30 service

IT'S BACK – THE MEN'S BREAKFAST!

Date: Saturday, January 13, 2018.

Time: 8:30 – 10:00 in the Parish Hall

There will be a guest speaker

In order to help plan for numbers please contact the church by phone (705-876-1501) or e-mail (saints@allsaintspeterborough.org) and leave your name. Thanks.

LET'S DO LUNCH ! ON SUNDAY 21st JANUARY

Come join your All Saints' friends for lunch immediately following the 10.30am service on Sunday 21st January 2018 in our parish hall. No heavy agenda topics to contemplate! Just come to meet and greet your fellow church members and enjoy a light luncheon and good fellowship. We hope this will be the first of several more parish meals to follow throughout 2018.

If you propose to attend, please add your name to the "Sign Up" sheet posted on the bulletin board by the Church office.

At the meal, if you are able, we would appreciate receiving a small financial donation to help cover the cost of food for the luncheon. Thank you!

FINANCIAL REPORT.

2017 has been a year of uncertainty at All Saints' and this uncertainty has negatively impacted our current financial position. We have voted together to keep All Saints' open and to do so we will need your help. As the year comes to a close, please consider what All Saints' means to you as you determine your yearend offerings.

Working with you, your Treasurer

ACW. There will be an **ACW MEETING** on **Monday, January 15 at 1:00 PM.** The speaker will be from Hospice.

Working Together

When we received a request Dec 7th for 20 pairs of mitts and 20 hats for ages 4 to 11, we didn't have one child's hat nor a pair of mitts to give them. Thanks to knitters connected to St. Barnabas, St. John's and All Saints' churches, we were able to fill that request in 4 days! Next meeting for Knitters is Wed., Jan 10th at St. John's following the mid-week Communion. We will discuss what we can provide and who needs our help. Thanks to those who donated supplies.

ADVENT 3: Sunday, December 17
Christmas Lessons and Carols
7.00pm

ADVENT 4: Sunday, December 24
One Morning Service at 9.30am Eucharist BCP

CHRISTMAS EVE: Sunday, December 24
7 pm: Eucharist BAS
9pm: Eucharist BAS with the choir

CHRISTMAS DAY: Sunday, December 25
10am at St John's

Sunday, December 31 , 2017
One Morning Service 9.30 am Eucharist BAS

Lunchtime Organ Music – Advent 2017 - Thursdays, from 12:15 until 12:45pm, at Trinity United Church, 360 Reid Street Peterborough.

December 21 – Randy Mills

Free admission. Donations of food and money for local food bank programs will be accepted.

Information: 743-3301 or 755-1184.