

ORDER OF SERVICE
The Sunday of the Resurrection
April 4th 2021 10:00am



Welcome to the Church of St. John the Evangelist. Thank you for worshipping with us. Whether you are a first-time visitor, a faithful parishioner or a returning friend, please know that you always have a place at God's table. As you enter today, may the gathering of this community strengthen you to take God's compassion and peace to a world in need of both.

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Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

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

Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-29

Refrain



This is the day_____ the Lord_____ has made;



let us re joice and be glad._____

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever."

The Lord is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

Shouts of rejoicing and salvation
echo in the tents of the righteous,
"The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord. *Refrain*

The Lord indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness:
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord;
here the righteous may enter."

I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation. *Refrain*

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. *Refrain*

Hosanna! O Lord, save us!
We pray to you, Lord, prosper our days!

**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.**

The Prayers of the People

Reader Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. 1 Corinthians 5.7–8.

Hymn 203

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!
unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
3. But the pains which he endured, alleluia!
our salvation have procured; alleluia!
now above the sky he's kind, alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Prayer Over the Gifts and the Blessing of Wine

Eucharistic 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 We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son ...
... Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus and Benedictus

Choir 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 Holy and gracious God, accept our praise ...
... All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant Gathering our prayers and praises into one
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

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

Hymn 210 Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son

1. Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory over death you won.
Angels robed in splendour rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where your body lay.
Refrain
Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory over death you won.
2. See! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord is living; death has lost its sting!
Refrain
Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory over death you won.
3. No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life:
what is life without you? Aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors
through your deathless love;
bring us safe through jordan to your home above.
Refrain
Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory over death you won.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

The community prays silently, after which the celebrant gathers those prayers into the Prayer after Communion.

People **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

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.**

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God, Alleluia!**

Organ Postlude Toccata from Symphonie V - C.M. Widor

Easter Memorial Flowers

In Loving Memory Of	From
Carole Broughton	Her longtime friend Jennifer Uttley
Harry & Terry Morris Lovro & Manda Doric	The Doric Family
Loved Ones	The Corti Family
Friends and Family	Judy Shantz
Fern Ruth Young's Ruby Jean Sheach	Deb and Angus Sheach
Mike & Jennifer Milhausen	Carla McLennan
Loved ones	The Lowe family
Ray, Andy and Mark Dugan	Sylvia Dugan
Jane and Ross Hull Ruth Herr and J. Parke Mellinger	Ken Hull and Marianne Mellinger
Our parents and dear friends	Enid and David Emery and family

Prayer Intentions for the Week of April 4th 2021

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for the peace of Jerusalem; for the church in Israel/Palestine, its clergy and people; and for all pilgrims visiting the Holy Land in these holy days.

PRAY for Todd, our Bishop; Anne, our Archbishop and Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; Mark, National Indigenous Archbishop; Marinez, Bishop of Amazonia, our companion Diocese; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Susan, National Bishop, and Michael, Bishop of the Eastern Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

In the Anglican Church of Canada we pray this week for The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario.

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, we pray for the dean, council, and congregations of the Manitoba East Area of the Manitoba – Northwestern Ontario Synod.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for parishes, people, and clergy in Brant-Norfolk Deanery, and especially this week for Grace Church, Brantford; St. James Church, Brantford; St. Mark's Church, Brantford; Holy Trinity, Burford.

PRAY for the Diocese of Amazonia, for Bishop Marinez Rosa dos Santos Bassoto, Bishop, and for our common mission and ministry.

FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

WE PRAY this week for Rebecca McKay, Carla McLennan, William and Catherine McNally, Carol and Peter McNamee, and their families.

FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO ARE ILL

Tracy, Marlin, Ron and Anne, Wayne, Ida, Vivian, Margaux, Sylvia, Alexander, Percival and Janet, Jeannie, Valerie, Cedric, Hazel, Al and Ann, St. John's, Margaret and George Strack, Pat, Franco, Janice and Family, John and Jennings family.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

PRAY for Preston, our Rector, the clergy of our Deanery, church leaders everywhere, and members of other faith groups. In this season of Easter, may we continue to be mindful of each other, and quick to practice love and compassion in all our words and actions. Help us continue to find ways to work with others, that we may fulfill our calling to care for all people.

PRAY for the health of people in our community, and throughout the world, as we continue to face challenges in our lives. Be with those who care for the sick and those who serve the public while facing personal health risks. Give thanks for all who are volunteering and working in vaccination clinics in our region and beyond. Pray especially for all who are disadvantaged by hunger, homelessness, mental illness, and unemployment. Give thanks for those in our community who are working to provide food, clothing, medical care and temporary shelter for those who have nowhere to call home, and all who are partnering to provide affordable housing.

Parish Announcements and Events

ENCOUNTERING THE PSALMS: A six-week program on understanding and singing the Psalms will be offered on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning April 13. Our Rector, Preston Parsons, Alicia Batten, Bruce Wheatcroft and Ken Hull will each explore different aspects of the psalms, and a concluding presentation on the Psalms in Anglican Worship will be given by Prof. Lizette Larson-Miller of Huron College. Each week we'll

conclude our session by singing a psalm in a different way. To attend please register [here](#). More details about the course can be found [here](#).

IT'S TWINS! Good news everyone!! The twins have arrived safely - at 5:55 pm March 29. In the end, it was a C-section for both because of awkward positioning, but Esperance and the boys are all doing well. James was able to hold them while the docs finished up with Esperance. Ian 3.44 kg and Ryan 3.5 kg - excellent weights!!

Thank you to all for your prayers, and for continuing to keep them in prayer as they begin life as a larger family. Syd and Louis have had Cedric and Ariane with them since Esperance and James left for the hospital and they are also doing well. Excited I am sure.

Confirmations On Thursday, June 3rd, the bishop will be visiting the deanery for a confirmation service. It will be held outside and observe all COVID protocols that will be in place. If you are interested in confirmation—as an unconfirmed adult who would like to make a fresh profession of faith, or as a young person—be in touch with the Rector, rector@stjohn316.com.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Prayer shawls and prayer squares have been an integral part of St. John's ministry since at least 2005. This ministry was begun in 1998 by 2 women in Hartford, Connecticut and has grown to involve many caring organizations since then throughout North America. Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry and spiritual practice which reaches out to those in need of comfort as well as celebration. In this time of social isolation, it is even a more important way

to wrap our arms around those we can't visit in their time of need or joy.

I have taken over the coordination of this ministry and will work in conjunction with our parish visitor team. I am looking for anyone who knits and/or crochets to join me in providing physical representations of the love and care we have for fellow parishioners. Please help me provide a supply of shawls so that our parish visitors never have to say that we have run out.

If you are interested please email me at kluscott@gmail.com or phone 519-500-8742.

Lenten Bible Study One of the many ways you may choose to observe Lent is by joining a study programme. I intend to offer time and space to reflect on the Gospel of Mark, and particularly the Gospel readings for each Sunday in Lent, all in the comfort of your own home. We will use the Zoom format for our meetings, beginning Thursday February 18, and extended to April 8 from 7 to 8 pm. Please email Paul Kett paulkett45@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us.

New Weekly Bible Study St John's is starting a weekly online Bible study on Tuesday mornings from 11:00am-noon. If you are interested in participating, please contact Ken Hull at krhull@uwaterloo.ca or 519-579-8335.

Vaccine Registration for 70 and Up You or someone you know over the age of 70 is now eligible to register for your COVID-19 vaccine! You can find the link below. <https://www.regionofwaterloo.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-vaccination-pre-registration.aspx#>

Donation Options There are many ways you can continue your contributions to St. John's

1. Send weekly envelopes in the mail. You can send post-dated cheques to the office at 23 Water St. North Kitchener ON N2H 5A4
2. Drop off cash donations to the office through the mail slot in the office door. Write your name on the envelope!
3. Have an Errand Buddy pick up your donation.
4. Sign up for, or make changes to your DEFT by contacting the office (519-743-0228 or church@stjohn316.com).
5. Donate Online through Canada Helps by credit card. You can set up recurring, or one time donations. Canada Helps takes 3.75% but also provides the tax receipt directly to you and provides a donation report to us! [Here's the link](#)

If you know of someone who is ill or in hospital, please contact The Rector, Reverend Dr. Preston Parsons rector@stjohn316.com or leave a message with the office at 519-743-0228. In case of emergencies you can contact him at 519-573-7797

Rector

The Reverend Dr Preston Parsons

Assistant Clergy

The Venerable Ken Cardwell

The Reverend Paul Kett

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Interim Music Director Sarah Cardwell

Parish Administrator Rebecca McKay