

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH



GARY THE GROUNDHOG - KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WORSHIP PART 2

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

INTRODUCTION

Especially for anyone who is not able to join the online worship. Introductory prayers and readings are intended to assist your participation in worship with the St John's community.

The online service continues from where the video concluded, with a Reflection.

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ is
the way, the truth, and the life.
Give us grace to love one another
and walk in the way of his commandments,
who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

15:1 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the
vinegrower.

15:2 He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit.

Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.

15:3 You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you.

15:4 Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

15:5 I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

15:6 Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

15:7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

15:8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION

HYMN: Fairest Lord Jesus

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Loving and gracious God, in this Easter season, we give thanks for the life renewed; for gardens and flowers, for birds and squirrels, for geese and groundhogs, and for all urban wildlife; for waterfalls and creeks, for the blessings of nature, the earth and all of Creation.

We give thanks for neighbours and friends; for all the people who look out for us, for the people we meet on the sidewalk, for the people we recognize as we walk, for the friends we long to see.

We give thanks for food on our tables, and we remember those who will go hungry today. We pray for all meal programs in our community as they serve those in need today.

We pray for our leaders, especially remembering our elected community leaders; for Catherine McKenney, City Councillor for Somerset; for Joel Harden, MPP for Ottawa Centre; for Catherine McKenna, MP for Ottawa Centre. For Prime Minister Trudeau, Permier Ford, and Mayor Jim Watson. Guide them in all that they do.

We pray for all who are sick at this time. We especially remember those with coronavirus. We pray for their families and supports. We pray for those able to receive the vaccine at this time, and especially for those who continue to wait.

We thank you for the doctors and nurses working in hospitals this week. Give them everything they need to do their work. Watch over their families. Grant them sleep at night, and energy during the day. Sustain their hearts, and may you bless them with people to minister to their needs, even as they minister to those who are sick and dying.

We pray for the church, remembering all our parish leaders at St John's. We pray for those who are isolated at this time and we ask your guidance in reaching out, bringing people together in community, and remembering those who need support.

We pray for the whole church, especially our Anglican family in the Diocese of Ottawa. We pray for Bishop Shane Parker, and we remember all the parish ministries and outreach ministries of the Diocese of Ottawa. At this time, we especially pray for the new process on the Future Shape of Parish Ministry.

We remember our partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. We pray for Archbishop Suheil in this time of transition as Bishop Hosam Naoum , former Dean of the Diocese of Jerusalem is installed as the new Archbishop of Jerusalem on May 13. We pray especially for the Jerusalem Princess Basma Center, serving disabled children in the West Bank – a ministry supported by the Diocese of Ottawa.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care that surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting tasks that demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments that satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ;
For the truth of his word and the example of his life;
Grant us the gift of your Spirit
That we may know Christ and make him known;
And through him, at all times in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

I ask your prayers for...

God in your mercy:
Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,
que ton nom soit sanctifié,
que ton règne vienne,
que ta volonté soit faite
sur la terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui
notre pain de ce jour.

Pardonne-nous nos offenses,
comme nous pardonnons aussi
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.

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

**Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en
tentation
mais délivre-nous du Mal.**

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

**Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent,
le règne la puissance et la
 gloire.
pour les siècles des siècles.
Amen.**

DOXOLOGY

Glory to God,
whose power, working in us,
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.

CONCLUSION

- Blessings
- Thanksgiving
- Announcements

May the Peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

COFFEE & VISITING