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Please be aware that our Sunday service is video streamed to our You Tube channel for public viewing. If you feel sensitive to this thought and wish to remain out of the occasional line of view, consider sitting in the back two rows of pews. Thank you.



Dear Little Saints-Welcome from all the Big Saints

Before the service even starts, you will need to prepare

Upcoming is a longish sit and grownups want you there

Instead of wiggling, yawning, sighing You could be bright new markers trying or putting stickers in your book Or even ..take a little look Oh joy, cause somebody loves me true There's juice or sweets or cookies too

When you've been good as gold for ever and still the talking lasts forever just dig inside and have a treat Your Sunday sack is really "sweet"!!!!!! (and also is a take home treat!)

We welcome all children to our worship. There is no Sunday Church School at this time. Please ask the ushers for a children's bulletin and/or help them fill a bag with activities and treats from the basket in the narthex.

Communion: All are welcome. Please let an usher know if you need to take Communion in your seat.

Please wear a mask during the service.

Offerings can be left in the trays at the back until the Gathering Song is sung. Please take this bulletin home for recycling. Thank you

No Scents Makes Good Sense.

Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair sprays, colognes, ad after-shave lotions. Please us provide a scent-free environment.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 12, 2023.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude – Chrono Trigger Frog's Theme, Yasunori Mitsuda, arr. Starsoarer Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways, arr. Lynetter Maynard Healer of our Every, arr. Aaron David Miller

Choir Anthem – And the Glory, George Frederic Handel

Welcome

Acknowledgment of Territory

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light, and our salvation. **Amen**.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. Water is poured into the font.

We praise you for the waters of life: for the streams and oceans, lakes and estuaries, and for the rain and snow that gives life to every living thing.

From the waters above and the waters below, you made sacred our bond with water. Through the waters of the flood and the parting of the seas, you showed your promises to be true.

In the waters of baptism, you claimed us and called each of us by our true name. Through baptism into the body of Christ, you transformed our lives and made us whole.

Send now your Spirit to move in our midst and immerse us with your gifts of mercy, love, and grace.

To you be given honour and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen**

Gathering Song – Let All Things Now Living # 403 (Blue)

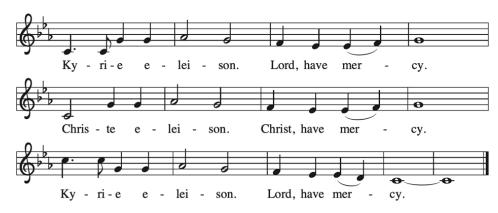
Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are opened, 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Kyrie



Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, who sent Jesus Christ to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities, create in us new hearts and enlarged visions, to see the image of God in every person irrespective of background, race and ethnicity. May we be generous in our love of others as we work towards ending misunderstanding, racism and injustice; creating communities of human flourishing, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

WORD God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

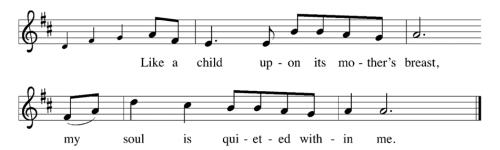
First Reading: Isaiah 49:8-16a

⁸Thus says the LORD: In a time of favor I have answered you, on a day of salvation I have helped you: I have kept you and given you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land. to apportion the desolate heritages; 9 saying to the prisoners, "Come out," to those who are in darkness, "Show yourselves." They shall feed along the ways, on all the bare heights shall be their pasture; 10 they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down. for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them. ¹¹ And I will turn all my mountains into a road, and my highways shall be raised up.

- ¹² Lo, these shall come from far away, and lo, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene.
 - Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
 break forth, O mountains, into singing!
 For the LORD has comforted his people,
 and will have compassion on his suffering ones.
 - ¹⁴ But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me."
 - ¹⁵ Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.
 - ^{16a} See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 131



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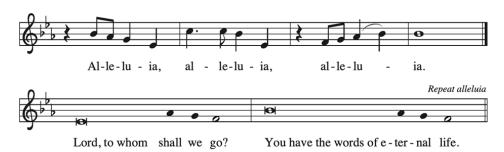
- ¹O LORD, I am not proud; I have no | haughty looks. I do not occupy myself with great matters, or with things that are too | hard for me.
- ² But I still my soul and make it quiet, like a child upon its | mother's breast; my soul is quiet- | ed within me.
- ³O Israel, wait up- | on the LORD, from this time forth for- | evermore. **R**

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

¹Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. ²Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. ³But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. ⁴I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. ⁵Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading - Matthew 6:24-34

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ²⁴ "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and vet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' 32 For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Hymn of the Day - Bring Many Names #395 (Blue)

Prayers

As God's beloved children, let us pray that the light of Christ shine on the nations, the church, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

That the baptized may be servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries we celebrate in this assembly. We pray especially for those marking their baptismal anniversaries this week - Patty Strome, Amanda McQuinn, Max Wolfram, and Suzanne Worthen - that their light may so shine before others that the world might see their good works and glorify you in heaven. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

That the leaders of nations, provinces, cities, and towns extend compassionate care to those without food, clothing, or shelter. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

That our gratitude for the birds of the air and the flowers of the field lead us to treasure each day, care for the earth, and seek the welfare of generations to come. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

That like a patient mother you comfort all those who suffer with illness, grief, worry, or anxiety. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Ross, Karen and their family, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, Christa and Ken, and those we remember before you in our hearts... (brief silence...) Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

That as we strive first for your kin-dom, you feed us at your bountiful table and deepen our faith in your provident care. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

That you gather us with all your holy ones, who treasured the riches of your grace and whose names are inscribed on the palms of your hands. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, for we pray in the name of Christ, the light of the world. **Amen**

Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you.**

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory: We Are All One in Mission # 576 (Red)

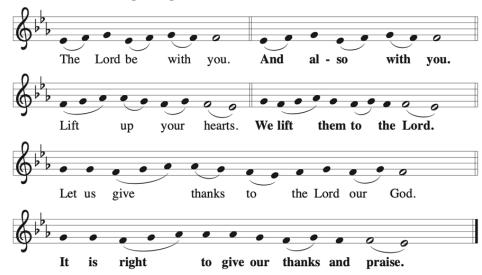


Offertory Prayer

Let us pray:

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Saviour, Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



Preface

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Eucharistic Prayer

Blessed are you, O holy God:
you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things.
Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus.
He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his preaching and healing,
his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by you, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of Christ through whom all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer



Invitation to Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

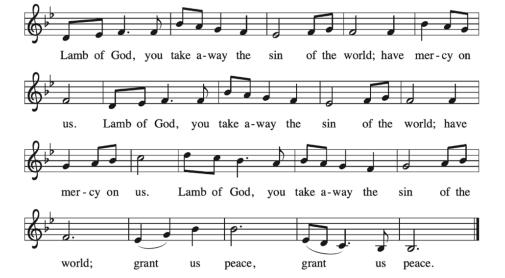
Come and taste the joy of God! **Thanks be to God!**

Spiritual Communion

For those who may feel uncomfortable coming forward to receive communion at the altar, here is a prayer of "Spiritual Communion" that might work for you:

Jesus, I believe that you are present with us in the sacrament of bread and wine. I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life. Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself to you; never let me be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Hymns



What Does the Lord Require of You?



All Things Bright and Beautiful # 416 (Blue)

Sing a New Song unto the Lord # 312 (Blue)

Table Blessing

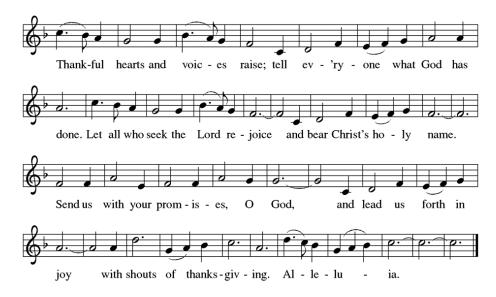
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

Post-Communion Prayer

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. **Amen**

Post Communion Canticle

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise #206 (Red)



Announcements

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod + bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always. Amen.

The blessing of the God of life be ours. The blessing of the loving Christ be ours. The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours, to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.

Sending Song – Go, My Children, with My Blessing # 542 (Red)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. Thanks be to God!

Postlude – Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, J. S. Bach

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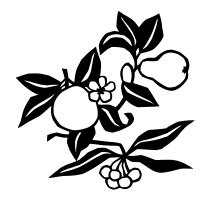
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Announcements and Information

We pray for:

ACC: The Rt. Rev. Sam Rose, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador **ELCIC**: The dean, council, and congregations of the Central

Toronto Area and Greater Toronto Areas East and West of the Eastern Synod

Altar Guild for February: Thank you to Michele Altermann and Debbie Sippel Eitzen.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to Grace Braun and Marilyn Bleach Schranz for hosting the coffee hour today in recognition of Roman's 94th and Sigi's 84th birthdays!

Deacon Chris: is home from the hospital and doing much better. She would love to hear from us! Please call her at 519-821-4126.

Earthquake relief: The Canadian World Lutheran Relief and the Primates World Relief and Development Fund are asking for donations. As temperatures drop below freezing overnight this week in the region, your gift will provide emergency blankets and shelter, plus life-saving clean water, food and healthcare. CLWR: https://www.clwr.org/earthquake and PWRDF: https://pwrdf.org/pwrdf-supporting-act-alliance-response-to-earthquake-accepting-donations/

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **Sunday Feb 19, 2023.** Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cimorrison263@gmail.com

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Please join us **Tuesday Feb. 21, 2023,** between 5 and 7 p.m. for pancakes (regular and gluten free), butter, syrup (regular and sugar free), sausages (regular and meat free), coffee and tea. A free will offering to support the AV project will be available. Please sign up in the narthex so we know how many people to plan for and who is able to help with cooking, cleaning and set up. Thank you.

Lenten Lunches: Starting on Feb 26 and ending March 26, 2023 you are invited to a series of soup and bread lunches after the 10:00 am service. Each week Pastor Brian will lead us in the discussion of a different topic. There will not be a coffee hour after the 10:00 services during Lent. Please join us in Rose Head Hall for food for the body, mind, and spirit.

Parish Care: New time for an exciting and timely workshop. "Internet Scams and Fraud" presented by Detective Broke of the Guelph Police Force. Get your questions answered and be informed in this digital world. Bring your friends and family on Thursday, Feb 23, 1:30 p.m. Refreshments follow.

The AV Campaign is still on! Check out our progress each week of our AV fundraising campaign on the sign in the narthex. Can you help? Write **AV project** on your envelope or etransfer!

Silvercreek Community Market: We are in particular need of red lentils and cooking oil. Thank you.

Save the date: Pearl invites you to join her for a St. Patrick's Day dessert and card party in support of the AV campaign. Saturday, **March 18, 2023 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm** in Rose Head Hall. Please note the new time.

Receipts for income tax purposes are available to pick up in your mailbox. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD: Feb 13 — Feb 19

Monday 13	1:30 p.m.	Creative Crafting Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 15	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Thursday 16	11:00 a.m. -3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Sunday 19	8:30 a.m.	Transfiguration of our Lord Holy Communion—Nave
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Peter West

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Church Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.