All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church

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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.

With God's grace, the faith community of All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church in Guelph Ontario welcomes you.



We endeavour to be in right relationship with our Indigenous neighbours.

We strive for racial equity.

We welcome people of any age, gender identity and expression, race, colour and sexual orientation.

We welcome people facing physical or mental challenges, those suffering under addictions, single people and those in any relationship.

Our doors are open to people of uncertain faith or deep faith, from any or no religious tradition.





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.

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Sunday, February 19, 2023.

GATHERING

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

Prelude – Jesus on the Mountain Peak, arr. Joseph C. Bognar Come, Beloved of the Maker, arr. Wayne L. Wold Chrono Theme, Yasunori Mitsuda, arr. Starsoarer

Choir Anthem – Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake, Richard Farrant

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 give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock.

When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere, especially the Eramosa and Speed Rivers, and the Grand River Watershed.

Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.

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

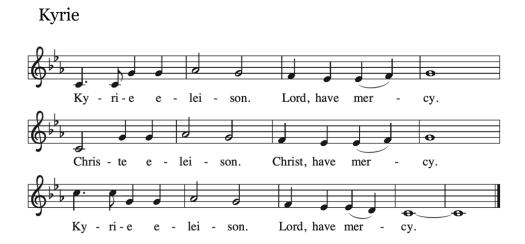
Gathering Song – We Have Come At Christ's Own Bidding # 166 (Blue)

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



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: Exodus 24:12-18

¹² The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

Psalm 112:1-10



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¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD and have great delight in | God's commandments! ²Their descendants will be mighty | in the land; the generation of the upright | will be blessed. ³Wealth and riches will be | in their house, and their righteousness will | last forever. ⁴Light shines in the darkness | for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion. R ⁵ It is good for them to be gener-[|] ous in lending and to manage their af-[|] fairs with justice. ⁶ For they will nev- | er be shaken: the righteous will be kept in everlast- ing remembrance. ⁷They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD. ⁸Their heart is established and | will not shrink,

⁸Their heart is established and ¹ will not shrink, until they see their desire up-¹ on their enemies.

⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever; they will hold up their | head with honor.

¹⁰ The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and | pine away; the desires of the wick- | ed will perish. R

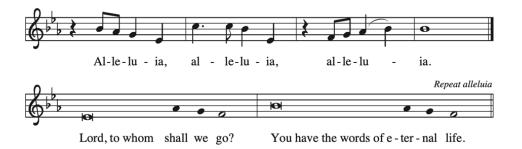
Second Reading – 2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading – Matthew 17:1-9

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

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Hymn of the Day – 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here # 167 (Blue)

Prayers

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Embolden your church as it witnesses to the majesty and mercy of Christ. Equip lay preachers, deacons, priests, pastors, and bishops. Move us to share our stories of your faithfulness and forgiveness; may our lives proclaim your greatness. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Dwell with your whole creation, from the tallest mountain peak to the deepest valley. Bless the work of conservation organizations and protect vital habitats. Support the work of disaster relief agencies around the world, especially those giving aid to the people of Türkiye and Syria following the disastrous earthquake, and the people of New Zealand following the flooding. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Guide and give wisdom to all in authority: prime ministers and presidents, military generals and police chiefs, judges and prison wardens, mayors and leaders of First Nations. Bring freedom and justice to all nations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Give shelter to those lacking safe homes. Spur communities to work for fair housing for all. Protect our neighbours whose dwellings do not keep out dangerous cold or heat; accompany those who are homebound, sick, or isolated. We pray for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Ross and Karen and their family, Christa and Ken, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, Gusy, and those we remember in our hearts (*silence...*) Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Make us eager to receive your Word in scripture. Help us recognize Jesus' voice in the needs of our neighbours; make us confident to follow the way of the cross. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our thanksgiving for the holy ones who have guided us in faithfulness and gathered even the unlikely as your people. With our forebears in faith and all who have hoped in you, teach us to wait with courage until the promised day dawns. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified. **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.

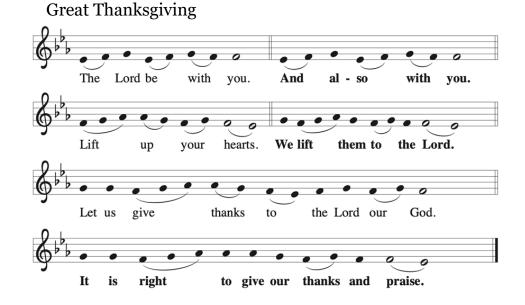
Offertory: We Are All One in Mission # 576 (Red)



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.**



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.

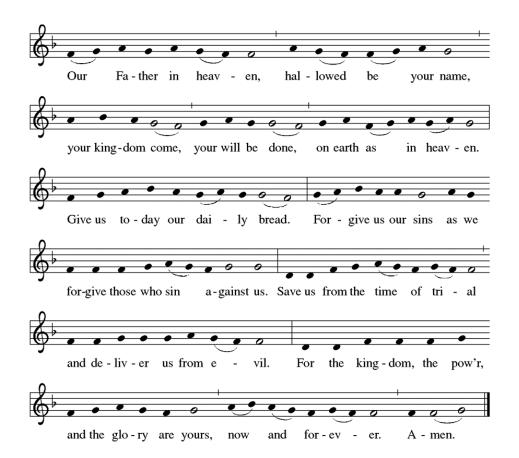
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

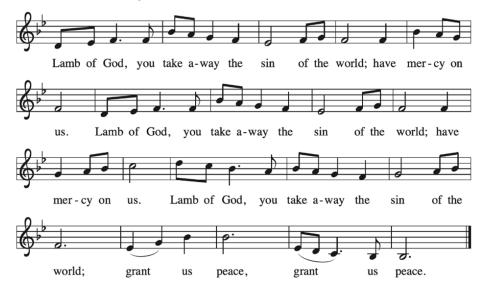
Come and taste the joy of God! Thanks be to God!

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



Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo	# 376 (Blue)
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light	# 815 (Red)
Beautiful Savior	# 838 (Red)

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**

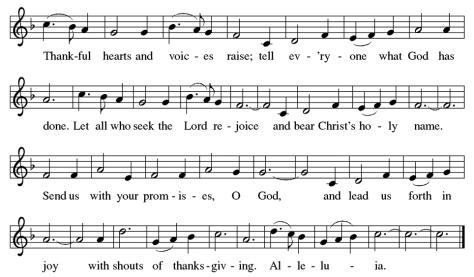


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Post Communion Canticle

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 – Alleluia, Song of Gladness # 318 (Red)

Dismissal

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

Postlude – Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair, arr. Martin Dicke, David Tryggestad

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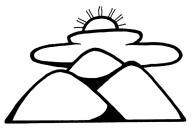
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Announcements and Information

We pray for:

ACC: The Most Rev. David Edwards, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Fredericton **ELCIC:** The dean, council, and congregations of the Grand River and Thames Areas of the Eastern Synod **ACC/ELCIC:** An end to human trafficking and slavery

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

Flowers: The flowers are given in remembrance of our Dad, Grandpa and Husband Irven Fell who passed away 30 years ago on Feb 20, 1993, Love from Betty Fell and family and Cathy and Richard Soehner

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: <u>https://www.clwr.org/earthquake</u> and PWRDF: <u>https://</u> <u>pwrdf.org/pwrdf-supporting-act-alliance-response-to-</u> <u>earthquake-accepting-donations/</u>

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **today.** Please submit items to Christine Morrison at <u>cjmorrison263@gmail.com</u>

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 20- Feb 26

Tuesday 21	5:00 p.m.	Pancake Supper Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 22	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
	12:00 p.m.	Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion—Nave
Thursday 23	9:45 am	Creative Crafting Choir Room
	1:30—3:00 p.m.	Parish Care Workshop Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Sunday 26	8:30 a.m.	Lent 1 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Lent 1 Holy Communion—Nave
	11:30? a.m.	Lenten Lunch Rose Head Hall

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Peter West

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Michele Altermann Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

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