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Please be aware that our Sunday service is video streamed to our YouTube 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.



**All are truly welcome.**



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**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, and after-shave lotions. Please us provide a scent-free environment.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**Sunday, February 26, 2023.**

**GATHERING**

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

Prelude – O Lord, throughout These Forty Days,  
arr. Chad Baker  
I Want Jesus to Walk with Me, arr. David Lasky  
The little shepherd, Debussy

Choir Anthem – Our Trust is in the Lord, Chellan Hoffman

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.

Confession and Imposition of Ashes

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

Our self-centered living, exploitation of other people, and failing to love kindness, do justice and walk humbly with you,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Our longing to have what is not ours, and hearts that are not at rest with ourselves,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Our misuse of human relationships and our unwillingness to see Jesus in others,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Jealousies that divide families and nations, rivalries that create strife and warfare,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Judgementalism, uncharitable thoughts towards our neighbours, and prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Reluctance in sharing the time, talents and resources you have given us,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Waste and pollution of creation, and lack of concern for those who come after us,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Hurtful words that condemn and angry deeds that harm,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Timidity at talking about the movement of Jesus in our lives, negligence in worship and prayer, and wasting your gifts of love and grace,

**we confess to you, O God.**

Restore us, O God, restore our relationships with you, with our neighbours and with creation, and renew a right spirit within us. **Amen**

Most High God, you created life out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be a reminder of mortality, humanity, and humility. It is not for length of days that Jesus came and taught and died, but for wholeness and fullness and abundance of life. May the receiving of these ashes remind us again of what wholeness, fullness and abundance really is. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen**

*You are invited to come forward, forming two lines up the centre aisle, to receive the ashes. As the forehead of each person is marked with a cross of ashes, the minister says:*

"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Hymn During Imposition of Ashes

**Just As I Am # 592 (Red)**

*After those who desire ashes have received them, all stand.  
The service continues with the Dialogue:*

Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,  
**that we may show forth your glory in the world.**

By the cross and passion of your Son, our Saviour,

**Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

According to God's abundant mercy, there is forgiveness for all who seek repentance, and grace for all who turn their hearts to the way of Jesus.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Gathering Song – **O Lord, throughout These Forty Days # 319 (Red)**

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

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## 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: *Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7*

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

<sup>3:1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'"<sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup> for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."<sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to

make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

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

Psalm 32 (*Spoken responsively by whole verse with sung refrain*)



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(bold print = ambo side)

<sup>1</sup> Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,  
and whose sin is put away!

<sup>2</sup> **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no  
guilt,  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup> While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,  
because of my groaning all day long.

<sup>4</sup> **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of  
summer. R**

<sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not conceal  
my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

<sup>6</sup> **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers  
to you in time of trouble;  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not  
reach them.**

<sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

<sup>8</sup>**“I will instruct you and teach you in the way that  
you should go;  
I will guide you with my eye. R**

<sup>9</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no  
understanding;  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will  
not stay near you.”

<sup>10</sup>**Great are the tribulations of the wicked;  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the  
LORD.**

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart. **R**

## Second Reading – *Romans 5:12-19*

<sup>12</sup>Just as sin came into the world through one man, and  
death came through sin, and so death spread to all because  
all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the  
law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet  
death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over  
those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam,  
who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many  
died through the one man’s trespass, much more surely  
have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the  
one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the  
free gift is not like the effect of the one man’s sin. For the  
judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but  
the free gift following many trespasses brings  
justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man’s trespass, death  
exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will  
those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of  
righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one  
man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man’s trespass led to  
condemnation for all, so one man’s act of righteousness  
leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one  
man’s disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the  
one man’s obedience the many will be made righteous.

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

## Gospel Acclamation



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.



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## Gospel Reading – *Matthew 4:1-11*

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

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” <sup>4</sup>But he answered, “It is written,

‘One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’  
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

<sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

## Hymn of the Day –

### When We Are Tested



1 When we are test - ed and wres - tle a - lone,  
2 When in the des - ert we cry for re - lief,  
3 When we are tempt - ed to bar - ter our souls,  
4 When we have strug - gled and searched through the night,

fam - ished for bread when the world of - fers stone,  
plead - ing for paths marked by cer - tain be - lief,  
trad - ing the truth for the pow'r to con - trol,  
sort - ing and sift - ing the wrong from the right,

nour - ish us, God, by your word and your way,  
lift us to love you be - yond sign and test,  
teach us to wor - ship and praise on - ly you,  
Sav - ior, sur - round us with cir - cles of care,

food that sus - tains us by night and by day.  
trust - ing your pres - ence, our on - ly true rest.  
seek - ing your will in the work that we do.  
an - gels of heal - ing, of hope, and of prayer.



## Prayers

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

You alone are God. Sustain your church in times of wilderness. Give vision and wisdom to bishops, their staff, and all entrusted with the ministry of administration. Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You create verdant gardens and expansive deserts. Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards, that the world is nourished by the fruits of their labour. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You know our temptations. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You are a hiding place for all in distress. Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Ross and Karen and their family, Christa and Ken, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, and those we remember in our hearts (*silence...*) Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You offer abundance to all. Bless our ministries of hospitality. Care for those who tend to the needs of others, especially ushers and greeters, and coffee hour hosts. And we pray today for Joan Hicks as she marks her baptismal anniversary this week, that she would be upheld in the gifts and promises of her baptism. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You alone are God. We praise you for the faithful departed in every age. Unite our prayers with theirs, until our wilderness journey is complete, and we rest in you. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
**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: **Seed That in Earth Is Dying # 330 (Red)**

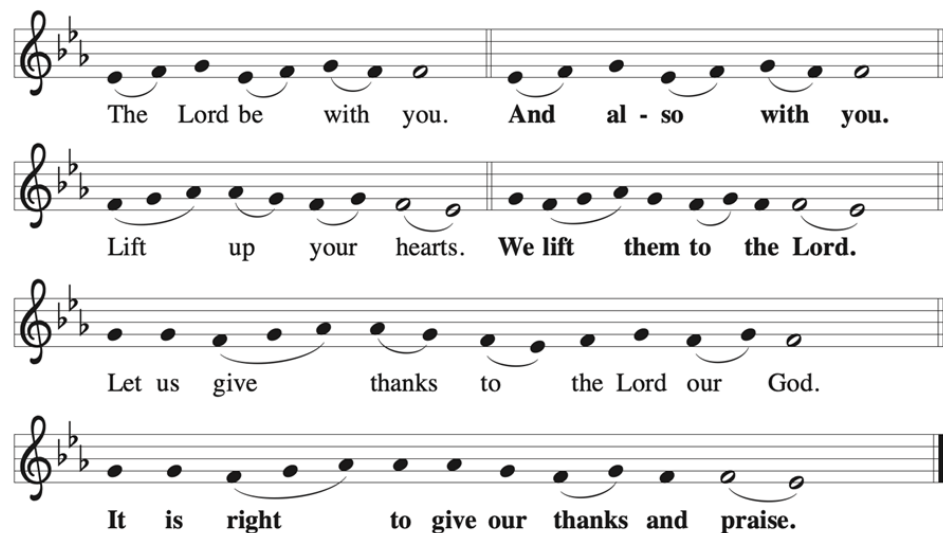
## Offertory Prayer

Let us pray:

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.

**Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## Preface

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

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, our living water and our merciful guide,  
together with rivers and seas, wells and springs  
we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert and provided  
them water from the rock. We praise you for Christ, our rock  
and our water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his  
life for the world.

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 life, death, and resurrection,  
we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized  
gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be  
revived for our journey by the love of Christ, through whom  
all glory and honour is yours, almighty Father, with the Holy  
Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. Amen

## Lord's Prayer

**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,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## Invitation to Communion

We break this bread,  
**Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Let your Church be the wheat  
which bears its fruit in dying.

**If we have died with him, we shall live with him;  
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness!

**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



**Take, Oh Take Me As I Am** # 814 (Red)

**Forty Days and Forty Nights** # 175 (Blue)

**When Peace like a River** # 785 (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

Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, we have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word and to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
**Amen**

## Post Communion Canticle

### **Lord, Let Your Servant Go in Peace # 266 (Blue)**

Lord, let your servant go in peace;  
your promises have been fulfilled;  
your saving power has been displayed  
before the face of all the world.

My eyes have seen salvation's dawn;  
the Sun of life ascending bright;  
your people's glory evermore,  
the nations' everlasting light

## Announcements

## SENDING

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

### Benediction

God, the giver of love,  
✠ Christ, the resurrection and the life,  
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth  
bless you in this Lenten journey.  
**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 – **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**  
# 565 (Blue)

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in love.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Postlude – O, Love, How Deep, arr. Joseph A. Bogner

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## Announcements and Information

### ***We pray for:***

**ACC:** The Rt. Rev. John Organ, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland

**ELCIC:** The dean, council, and congregations of the Georgian, Huronia and Bay Areas of the Eastern Synod

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

**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:** There is still a need for support, please help: CLWR: <https://www.clwr.org/earthquake> and PWRDF: <https://pwrdf.org/pwrdf-supporting-act-alliance-response-to-earthquake-accepting-donations/>

**Women of Faith—Lenten Self Denial:** Envelopes and pamphlets are available on the table in the narthex. Donations can also be made by etransfer (memo: **Lenten Self Denial**)

**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 different aspects of bias. There will not be a coffee hour after the 10:00 services during Lent. Please join us in Rose Head Hall with food for the body, mind, and spirit.

**Blanket Exercise:** This event will take place after the worship service and a potluck lunch on Sunday April 30, 2023. Please register on or before **March 10, 2023** by calling the office or sending an email if you wish to attend. Thank you.

**AV Campaign—Well done All Saints!** We are three thousand dollars away from meeting this goal! 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.

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

## **LOOKING AHEAD: Feb 27— Mar 5**

Monday 27	9:45 a.m.	Creative Crafting Choir room
	1:30 p.m.	ECM meeting Parlour
Tuesday 28	7:00 p.m.	Faith Forum via Zoom
Wednesday 1	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Thursday 2	11:00 a.m. —3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Sunday 5	8:30 a.m.	Lent 2 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Lent 2 Holy Communion—Nave
	11:30? a.m.	Lenten Lunch Rose Head Hall

### **Organist**

Peter West

### **Staff**

Michele Altermann  
Administrative Assistant

### **Church Office Hours**

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