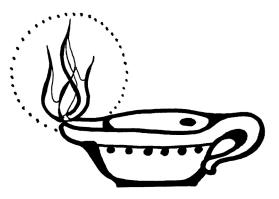
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Please be aware that our Sunday service is video streamed to our You Tube channel for public viewing. If you feel sensitive to this thought and wish to remain out of the occasional line of view, consider sitting in the back two rows of pews. Thank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

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

## Sunday, February 5, 2023.

## GATHERING

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

Prelude – Christ, Be Our Light. arr. Marilyn Bierry Go, Make Disciples. arr. Aaron David Miller

Choir Anthem - God Be In My Head, Jeff Enns

Welcome

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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 – You Are Salt for the Earth # 502 (Blue)

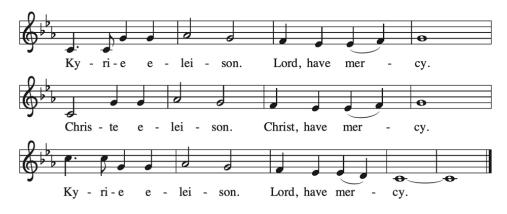
## Greeting

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

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Kyrie
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## 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 58:1-12

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice.

<sup>1</sup>Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

#### "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup> Look, you fast only to quarrel

and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup> Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

<sup>6</sup> Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? 7 Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

<sup>8</sup> Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9a</sup> Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

<sup>9b</sup> When you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,<sup>10</sup> when you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

<sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

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

Psalm 112:1-10



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<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD and have great delight in | God's commandments!

- <sup>2</sup> Their descendants will be mighty | in the land; the generation of the upright | will be blessed.
  <sup>3</sup> Wealth and riches will be | in their house.
- and their righteousness will | last forever.
- <sup>4</sup>Light shines in the darkness | for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion. R
- <sup>5</sup> It is good for them to be gener- <sup>|</sup> ous in lending and to manage their af- <sup>|</sup> fairs with justice.
- <sup>6</sup> For they will nev- | er be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.
- <sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.
- <sup>8</sup> Their heart is established and | will not shrink, until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.
- <sup>9</sup> They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever; they will hold up their | head with honor.
- <sup>10</sup> 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 – 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup> so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

<sup>10</sup> these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.
<sup>11</sup> For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God.
<sup>12</sup> Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

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

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



Gospel Reading – Matthew 5:13-20

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

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup> No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup> "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup> For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup> For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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

Hymn of the Day – Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service # 712 (Red)

## Prayers

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

## A brief silence.

Call your people to seek your wisdom in difficult conversations and action. Give the church everywhere courage to repent for the ways we have tolerated and practiced injustice. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Inspire our wonder at creation, from the light of dawn to the beauty of the dark night. Sustain the unseen depths of the ocean to the plants and animals we know well. Bring healing to lands and communities experiencing natural disasters. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

Instruct the powerful in your ways. Provide upright leadership in business and industry, that workers are not oppressed. Throughout the world, inspire voters and raise up politicians to heed your call for nations to practice righteousness. Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

Loose the bonds of injustice in our midst. Grant peace to endless quarrels, put an end to hunger, and break every yoke of oppression. Shelter all who flee abuse in their homes or violence in their communities. Bring healing to those afflicted in mind, body, or spirit. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Ross, Karen and their family, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, and those we remember before you in our hearts... Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

Shape our congregation to be salt for the earth. Give us delight in your commandments, that we are generous with those in need. Make us steadfast in our trust in you, ready with tangible mercy and compassion for our neighbours. Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

The cross and resurrection bring redemption from sin and death. We praise you for all the saints whose unshaken faith in Christ shines forth in their witness. Keep them in our remembrance and bring us with them into the kingdom of heaven. 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.

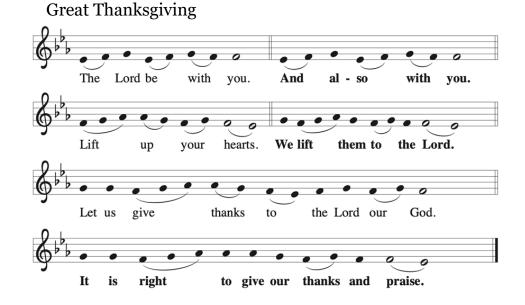
Offertory: We Are All One in Mission # 576 (Red)



## **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**

P: 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;

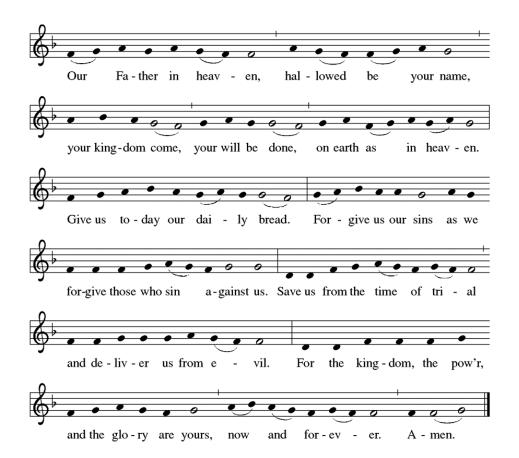
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

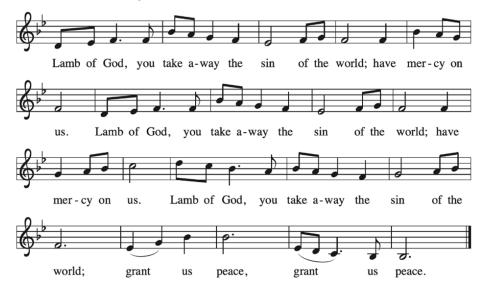
Come and taste the joy of God! Thanks be to God!

#### Spiritual Communion

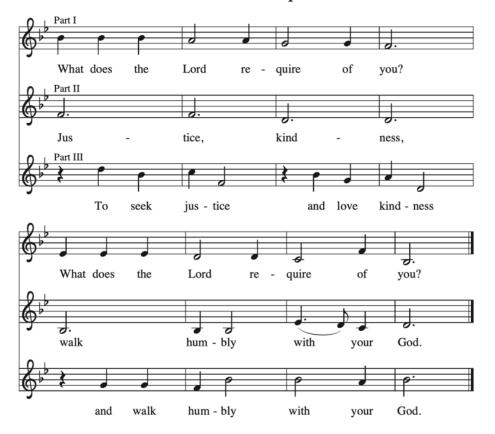
For those who may feel uncomfortable coming forward to receive communion at the altar, here is a prayer of "Spiritual Communion" that might work for you:

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?



Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant# 500(Blue)

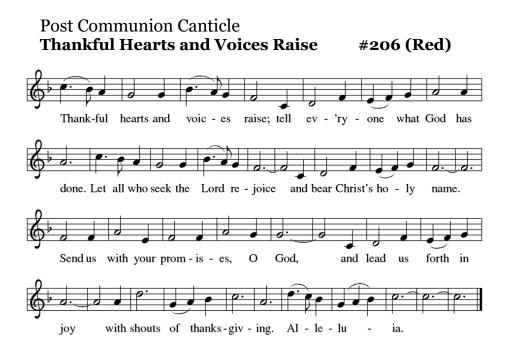
#### Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life # 592 (Blue)

**Table Blessing** 

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

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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** 



#### 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 – O God of Light # 507 (Red)

Dismissal

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

Postlude – Fantasia Chromatica, Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

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#### **Announcements and Information**

#### We pray for:

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

**ELCIC**: The dean, council, and congregations of the Two Rivers, Nith Valley and the Niagara Areas of the Eastern Synod.

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

**Coffee Hour:** Thank you to Hazel and the Heaney family for hosting the coffee hour today. If you would like to host a coffee hour please sign up in the Parlour.

**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.

**Property Committee**: Congratulations to Kurt Christie who is retiring as Property Chair. All Saints requires a new Property Committee Chairperson. This is a role that might be more easily handled by two people and of course is open to any gendered person with an interest and ability to look after a building such as our church. Please contact the office for more details.

**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.

*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!

*Chi Rho Fellowship:* There will be a meeting on Thursday February 9, 2023, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm in Rose Head Hall. Everyone including friends and neighbours is invited to a fun time - Valentine "Guess Who". Bring a Valentine card. Refreshments provided.

*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.

## LOOKING AHEAD: Feb 6 – Feb 11

Wednesday 1	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Thursday 2	9:45 am	Creative Crafting Choir Room
	1:00—3:00 pm	Chi Rho Fellowship Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Sunday 5	8:30 a.m.	Epiphany 6 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany 6 Holy Communion—Nave

## Organist

Peter West

#### Staff

Michele Altermann Administrative Assistant

## **Church Office Hours**

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