



**Church of St. John the Evangelist
Clora, Ontario**

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Sunday, March 24, 2019

Welcome to St. John's – If you are new or visiting with us this morning, welcome! We are delighted that you are here. Please introduce yourself by signing our guest book, or by completing one of the Visitor's Cards and Envelopes available in the pews. One of our Sidespeople will be happy to answer any of your questions about St. John's or today's worship.

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9:00 am Contemporary Eucharist (BAS)

11:00 am Choral Mattins (BCP)



Hearing assistive receivers (stethoscope/earphones) are available from the sidespersons.
Large print hymn and prayer books available at the back of the church.

Introit **Christus Factus Est**

Anerio

*For our salvation Jesus was crucified and buried.
Therefore God hath exalted his name;
His name shall stand over every other forever.*

Hymn 103 Almighty God, Thy Word is Cast

Albano

*Sentence, Exhortation, and Confession (4-6)
Preces, and Responses (6)*

Venite, Exultemus Domino (6)

Barnby

Lesson I *Isaiah 55.1-9*

Psalm 54 (397)

Rankine

(Congregation may be seated during the Psalm)

Lesson II *Luke 13.1-9*

Benedictus (9)

Walmisley

The Apostles' Creed, Responses, and Collects (10-12,140,145)

Anthem **The Lamentation**

Bairstow

*How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people: how is she become as a widow!
She that was great among the nations, and princess among the provinces:
how is she become tributary!
She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks:
among all her lovers, she hath none to comfort her.
The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn assembly:
all her gates are desolate, and she herself is in bitterness.
The Lord hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions:
her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.
All they that go by clap their hands at her:
they hiss, and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem saying,
"Is this the city that men called the perfection of beauty; the joy of the whole earth?"*

Refrain: Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return unto the Lord thy God.

*For these things I weep: mine eye, mine eye, runneth down with water.
From on high hath the Lord sent fire into my bones, and it prevaieth against them:
he hath made me desolate and faint, all the day.
I am become a derision to all my people: and their song all the day.
Let him give his cheek to him that smiteth him: let him be filled full with reproach.
Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by: behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow.
Remember mine affliction and my misery: the wormwood and the gall. Jerusalem...*

*Remember O Lord, what is come upon us: behold and see our reproach.
Turn Thou unto thee I Lord, and we shall be turned: renew our days as of old."
It is of the Lord's mercies that we are consum'd: because his compassions fail not.
They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.
The Lord is my portion, saith my soul: therefore will I hope in him.
O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul: thou hast redeemed my life. Jerusalem...*

Hymn 575 My God, How Endless is Thy Love

Wareham

Sermon Rector

Offertory Hymn 579 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Redhead No. 76

Prayers and Grace

Recessional Hymn 406 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

Dismissal Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy's Sake

Farrant

Organ Voluntary All Glory be to God on High

Bach

Trust Bach to take chamber music for organ to its limit. Three fully independent voices, each with their own registration. Like all Bach chorale preludes, this piece was meant as the introductory verse to a congregational hymn. Only the first line of the actual tune appears, discretely in the pedal, towards the end. One can see why the Leipzig church fathers frequently commented: "That's all very nice, Herr Bach, but could you please just play the tune?"

Please join us for coffee hour after the service downstairs in Thompson Hall. This is a great opportunity to greet newcomers and old friends.

Sidespeople

Readers

Altar Guild

Coffee Hour Hosts

Susan Adams, Kelly Muth

Duncan and Janet Hossack

Pam Gradwell

Ken and Susan Edwards, Penny Maxwell

*Rector: Rev'd Paul J. Walker
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*Rector Emeritus: Rev'd Canon Robert Hulse – 519-846-5911
Honorary Assistant: Rev'd John Lockyer
Honorary Assistant : Rev'd David Mulholland*

*Wardens: Peter Barr, Diana Spearn
Marcus Kramer, Emily Petrenko*

*Choir Director (Interim): Catherine Robertson
Organist and Volunteer Choir: Jurgen Petrenko
Choir Manager: Lisa Jones
Youth Choir: Emily Petrenko*



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Announcements for March 24, 2019

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-Friday	8:45-9:15	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	4:00-6:00 pm	Parish Council
Wednesday	5:30-6:30 pm	Volunteer Choir Practice (in Church)
	10:00 am	Knitters and Quilters Group (Parish Centre)
	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	4:00 pm	Lenten Study #3 - Reflections on Eucharist (Parish Centre)
	5:15-5:45 pm	Youth Choir Practice (in Church)
Saturday	10:00 am	Lenten Study #3 - Reflections on Eucharist (Parish Centre)

NEXT SUNDAY

Fourth Sunday in Lent	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 am	Contemporary Eucharist
	11:00 am	Choral Eucharist

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council will be meeting on Tuesday March 26, our first time since Vestry elected or appointed the new Council. This year Council will establish five working groups around the priorities that Council identified last year: Outreach/Social Justice; Online presence: Welcoming Newcomers; Children and Youth; and Accessibility. These are five areas that Council last year identified we want to work on for a two year period. In addition, this month Council will provide feedback to the Rector on how the Revised Common Lectionary, presently used at both 9 and 11 Sunday liturgies, is being received.

Here are the members of Parish Council:

Members at Large: Tez Darnell, Ian Hornsby, Ken Reid, Elizabeth Litch, Stan Litch, Dave Tinker, Colleen Murray, Susan Edwards.

Synod Members: Nancy Scott, Thomas Littlewood, Eileen Cole-Perkins.

Alternate Synod Members: Ian Rice, Lynne Jelokhani.

Christ Church Drayton Member: Paula Richter.

Wardens: Peter Barr, Diana Spearn, Marcus Kramer, Emily Petrenko.

Treasurer: Lorna Kearns.

Givings: Barbara Gow.

Property: Walter Langford.

TREASURER'S UPDATE- when considering your weekly offerings, please keep in mind general parish expenses. These include (among other things) payroll, utilities, telephone, caretaking and maintenance, office expenses and insurance. Actual general offerings trail budgeted general offerings by \$16,955 as of March 17, 2019. At this point in 2018, actual general offerings trailed budget by \$10,990. Pre-authorized giving plans help to ensure a consistent offering stream throughout the year to help us meet parish expenses and also present an opportunity for the parish to avoid significant bank fees. If you are considering enrolling for a pre-authorized giving plan or if you would like to update an existing plan, there are forms available at the back of the church or please ask at the parish centre. Thank you.

ST. JOHN'S MEN'S CLUB

On Wednesday April 3rd, the St. John's Men's Club will welcome Kelly Linton, Mayor of Centre Wellington and recently elected Warden of Wellington County. Mayor Linton will provide members with an update on proposals and activities that affect our daily lives and the greater community - with Q & A to follow. New members are welcome. Please RSVP Norman Morris norman.morris6@gmail.com or call 519-846-0796

HOUSE CLEANING

In preparation for Holy Week and Easter you are invited to a church house cleaning on Friday April 5 at 10:00am to 12noon. More hands make less work. For more information contact Walter Langford or Pam Gradwell, and please let them know you are able to come.

PALM CROSS MAKING

You are invited to learn how to make a palm cross on Saturday April 13 at 10:00am. The palm crosses that we make together will be used for our liturgies on Palm Sunday, April 14.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH

Bishops, clergy and lay people from the 30 dioceses across Canada gather once every three years at General Synod to set our liturgies, priorities and mission as the Anglican Church in Canada. In preparation for their 42nd meeting this July in Vancouver, the House of Bishops meets this week to prepare a list of nominees for Primate, who will serve as the new Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Canada. Our Primate, Fred Hiltz, who will be retiring in July, asks us to pray for this period of discernment. In July General Synod will gather under the theme of "I have called you by Name" to elect a new Primate and, amongst other things, they will vote on the Marriage Canon, the role of First Nations peoples to self governance as a church, human trafficking, our stewardship of creation, the role of the Anglican Journal, and more. For further information visit www.anglican.ca/news.

WEDNESDAY MORNING GROUP anyone who enjoys a social gathering is invited to meet in the Parish Centre every Wednesday morning from 9:30 am to noon. Prayer Shawls are available

for anyone who would appreciate their wrap-around comfort. Please let us know by contacting the church office (519.846.5911).

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

There will be no flowers in church during Lent. However for the celebration on Easter Sunday we hope to have a glorious abundance of flowers. Should you wish to make a donation in memory of a loved one at this special time please call Elaine Dightam at 519 843 5091 or email at elaine.dightam@gmail.com. A gift of any amount will be gratefully received at the church office.

"THE BOOK OF FORGIVING"

Bishop Susan has recommended this book by Desmond Tutu and Mpho Tutu as the Bishop's Lenten book. You are invited to a discussion on the topic of forgiveness and the themes of the book on Thursday, April 11 and 18 at 4 pm.

"BEING CHRISTIAN" - A LENTEN STUDY, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS

You are welcome to join the conversation this Thursday at 4:00pm or Saturday at 10:00am in the Parish Centre. We have had some productive conversation on the topics of Baptism and the Bible in the first two weeks. So come and join the conversation this week around the theme of Eucharist. It is an opportunity to learn more about our faith and our traditions.

CUSTODIAN

After 26 years of association with St. John's, Bob Ford is retiring as our Custodian. We will have an opportunity to thank Bob for all his work at a future occasion. Presently, we are advertising for a new custodian to begin May 1st. If you know of someone who is interested in the position, encourage them to send their resume to stjohns@sentex.net or deliver it to the Parish Centre before March 25th. A job posting is available at the back of the church.

FOOD BANK

Our present needs are for school luncheon foods..juices, puddings, and fruit cups. As well we are very low on hamburger helper and side kicks. There is a list on the bulletin board suggesting further donations. Any help would be most appreciated.

We are sad to advise Jim Graves, a former parishioner for many years has died. He and his wife were regular members at St. John's but had moved to Orangeville about 10 years ago.



PWRDF responds to Cyclone Idai disaster

PWRDF is responding to two ACT Alliance emergency appeals for Cyclone Idai relief with an initial pledge of \$30,000 for Mozambique and \$20,000 for Zimbabwe. Cyclone Idai has had a devastating effect on Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi.

More than 215 people have been declared dead at this time, according to official figures in the three countries. Hundreds more are missing and more than 1.5 million people have been affected, according to the Red Cross and government officials. The president of Mozambique, Filipe Nyusi, fears the number of dead may be as high as 1,000 people. In Beira, the important port of Mozambique, almost 90% of the buildings and infrastructure are destroyed. .

PWRDF is in contact with ACT Alliance and other partners in the region, such as EHALE in Mozambique (located in Nampula) and new partner TSURO in Zimbabwe (located in Chimanimani, which was in the path of the storm). PWRDF continues to monitor the situation and will share further updates as they become available.

Please pray for those who have been affected by the cyclone, and the rains and floods that have come with it. As we know, recovering from these events is a long-term process as families work to rebuild their communities and livelihoods. Please also pray for the agencies on the ground, including the PWRDF partner organizations.

Donations can be made:

Online at pwrdf.org/give-today “Emergency Response”

On your cell phone by texting PWRDF to 45678

By cheque to St. John’s, earmarked “PWRDF Cyclone”