



## Parish Eucharist

9 May 2021

*Please stand as the clergy enter.*

### The Gathering

*Priest* The Lord be with you,  
*All* **and also with you.**

*Priest* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*All* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Words of welcome may be said.*

*All* **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Prayers of Penitence

*Priest* Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Priest* Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life. Lord, have mercy.  
*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Priest* Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins. Christ have mercy.  
*All* **Christ have mercy.**

*Priest* Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread. Lord, have mercy.  
*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

### The Absolution

*Priest* Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

### The Collect

*The Collect is read, all respond:*

*All* **Amen.**

## First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel.*

## The Gospel - John 15:9-17

*Priest* The Lord be with you,

*All* **and also with you.**

*Priest* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

*Priest* This the Gospel of the Lord.

*All* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## The Sermon

*Fr Robin Sims-Williams*

## The Creed

*Priest* Let us stand to declare our faith in God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
*All Stand.*

*All* **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

*Please sit or kneel for the prayers. The following response will be used:*

Lord in your mercy

*All* **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

Merciful Father,

*All* **accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## The Peace

*Please stand for the peace.*

*Priest* The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,  
'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **and also with you.**

*Priest* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace from their seats*

*The table is prepared. Please remain standing.*

## The Eucharist

*Priest* The Lord be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Priest* It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion

Jesus Christ, your risen Son,

has conquered the powers of death and hell

and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise

and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,

earth and heaven resound with gladness,

while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation

sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please remain standing.*

*Priest* Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

*All* **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

*Priest* Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

*All* **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Priest* Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us,

*All* **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, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

*Priest* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
*All* **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## Agnus Dei

*All* **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

## Invitation to Communion

*Exhortation from the BCP regarding Spiritual Communion:*

*Priest* If by any just impediment one does not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body or Blood, the Curate shall instruct them that:

If you do truly repent of your sins, and steadfastly believe that Jesus Christ has suffered death upon the Cross for you, and shed his Blood for your redemption, earnestly remembering the benefits you have thereby received, and giving God hearty thanks, therefore you do eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to your soul's health, although you do not receive the Sacrament with your mouth.

*The invitation:*

*Priest* Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

## The Distribution

*Before the distribution the priest will present the bread and wine, saying:*

*Priest* The body of Christ, keep you in eternal life.

*All* **Amen.**

*Priest* The blood of Christ, keep you in eternal life.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please remain at your places, sanitiser and then the bread will be brought to you at your places. All those who are baptised are invited to receive the sacrament, if you normally do so in your own church.*

*If you would prefer to receive a blessing please cross your arms.  
During distribution no words will be spoken.*

## Prayer After Communion

*Priest* Let us pray.  
*The prayer for the day is read, and all respond:*

*All* **Amen.**

*All* **Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## Notices

### The Blessing and Dismissal

*Please stand.*

*Priest* The Lord be with you,  
*All* **and also with you.**

*Priest* The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

*Priest* Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*All* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

*Please remain standing while the clergy depart.*

*Under the current restrictions gathering with those outside your household is not allowed.*

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