

St. John's Carrington Parish Eucharist



**Bible Sunday
27th October 2019**

Welcome on behalf of the community of St. John's Church

St. John's seeks to be an inclusive church community where all are welcomed and valued, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

Whether this is your first time or whether you have been coming for years, we are delighted to welcome you.

We prepare for worship by being still, recalling God's presence with us. We have a foyer where greetings may be exchanged before entering the liturgical space, and we encourage you to use the time before the service in prayerful preparation.

Gluten-free altar bread is available for those who need it and alcohol free wine. Please ask the priest at the distribution.

Mass setting: 'The Mass of St. Thomas' – David Thorne

The service is led by the Vicar, the Revd. James Pacey

The preacher is Denis Tully, Church Army Evangelist

A prayer before the service begins:

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.

We say together the words in bold print. We stand to sing.

HYMN

1. **Thanks to God whose word was spoken
in the deed that made the earth.
His the voice that called a nation;
his the fires that tried its worth.
God has spoken, God has spoken:
praise him for his open word!**
2. **Thanks to God whose Word Incarnate
heights and depths of life did share;
Deeds and words and death and rising,
grace in human form declare.
God has spoken, God has spoken:
praise him for his open word!**
3. **Thanks to God whose word was written
in the Bible's sacred page:
Record of the revelation
showing God to every age.
God has spoken, God has spoken:
praise him for his open word!**
4. **Thanks to God whose word is answered
by the Spirit's voice within.
Here we drink of joy unmeasured,
life redeemed from death and sin.
God is speaking, God is speaking:
praise him for his open word!**

THE GATHERING AND WELCOME

✠ In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

All **and also with you.**

We remain standing as the priest introduces the service after which our children leave for Kids' Church.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The word of God is living and active.
It judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
All is open and laid bare before the eyes of him
to whom we give account.
We confess our sins in penitence and faith

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

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 GLORIA

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest,
Glory to God in the Highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

Please remain standing as the priest introduces a period of silent prayer.

THE COLLECT

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your hold word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING: Joel 2.23-end

Rejoice, you people of Jerusalem!

Rejoice in the Lord your God!

²³ For the rain he sends demonstrates his faithfulness.

Once more the autumn rains will come,
as well as the rains of spring.

²⁴ The threshing floors will again be piled high with grain,
and the presses will overflow with new wine and olive oil.

²⁵ The Lord says, "I will give you back what you lost
to the swarming locusts, the hopping locusts,
the stripping locusts, and the cutting locusts.

It was I who sent this great destroying army against you.

²⁶ Once again you will have all the food you want,
and you will praise the Lord your God,
who does these miracles for you.

Never again will my people be disgraced.

²⁷ Then you will know that I am among my people Israel,
that I am the Lord your God, and there is no other.

Never again will my people be disgraced.

The Lord's Promise of His Spirit

"Then, after doing all those things,

I will pour out my Spirit upon all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy.

Your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions.

²⁹ In those days I will pour out my Spirit
even on servants—men and women alike.

³⁰ And I will cause wonders in the heavens and on the earth—
blood and fire and columns of smoke.

³¹ The sun will become dark,
and the moon will turn blood red
before that great and terrible day of the Lord arrives.

³² But everyone who calls on the name of the Lord
will be saved,

for some on Mount Zion in Jerusalem will escape, just as the Lord has said.

These will be among the survivors
whom the Lord has called.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

We remain seated for the gradual psalm, standing and facing the Gospel as it is processed.

PSALM 119. 89-96

The way of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

Lord your word is for ever, it stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness abides from one generation to another:
firm as the earth which you have made.

As for your judgements, they stand fast this day:
for all things are your servants.

The way of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

If your law had not been my delight:
I would have perished in my affliction.
I will never forget your precepts:
for by them you have given me life.

The way of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

I am yours. O save me, for I have sought your precepts.
The wicked have lain in wait for me to destroy me:

but I think on your commands:

I have seen that all perfection comes to an end:

only your commandment has no bounds.

The way of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

Open our heart, O Lord,

to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you,

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

THE GOSPEL: Luke 4.16-24

16 When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' ²³ He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." ' ²⁴ And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

All **Praise to you, O Christ, for this your holy Gospel.**

After a prayer we sit for the sermon.

THE SERMON

After the sermon we stand to declare the faith of the Church using the Creed.

THE CREED

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.**

After, we kneel or sit for the prayers.

INTERCESSIONS

The following response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy
All **Hear our prayer**

After the names of the departed have been read out:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
All **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

The prayers may conclude with:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.
All **Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen**

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

We stand for the Peace.

THE PEACE

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you,
All **and also with you.**

We greet one another with Christ's Peace by offering each a hand in greeting saying "the peace of the Lord be always with you" and the reply "and also with you".

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

**1. Thou, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**2. Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.**

**3. Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**4. Blessèd and Holy Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth far and wide
let there be light.**

The gifts are received.

We remain standing for the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer. The prayer is printed in full below if the responses are unfamiliar, although we encourage you to observe and prayerfully listen to the liturgy.

PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Lord Jesus,
you nourish us at the table of your word
and the table of your sacrament;
as we feed on you, the bread of life,
may we daily grow into your likeness.

All **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (B)

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.
And now we give you thanks
because you have given us the Holy Scriptures
to instruct us in the wisdom that leads to salvation
through faith in Jesus Christ.
Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

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 sit or kneel.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
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.

Great is the mystery of faith:
All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,

so that we, in the company of all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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 HOLY COMMUNION

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

We receive communion in a circle around the altar. All are very welcome. We remain in the circle until all have received though if standing for long periods is tricky, do feel free to return to your seat.

If you would prefer a prayer of blessing, please do come up but keep your hands in front of you.

During communion we sing the following:

COMMUNION HYMNS

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1.
Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking,
As the gospel words unfold:
We, in all our agelong seeking
Find no firmer truth to hold. | 3.
Word of God's forgiveness granted
to the wild or guilty soul,
word of love that works undaunted,
changes, heals, and makes us whole. |
| 2.
Word of goodness, truth and beauty,
heard by simple folk and wise,
word of freedom, word of duty,
word of life beyond our eyes. | 4.
Speak to us, O Lord, believing.
as we hear, the sower sows:
may our hearts, your word receiving,
be the good ground where it grows. |

- 1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.**
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
in every change, He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2. Be still, my soul: your God will undertake**
to guide the future, as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.
Be still, my soul: the tempests still obey
his voice, who ruled them once on Galilee.
- 3. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on**
when we shall be forever with the Lord.
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

We hold a time of silent prayer.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace,
your son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life
and the word of is kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

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

After which we say:

Almighty God,
All **We give you thanks and praise for our life together.
Fill us all Good Lord, with your Spirit of Love
and as you have fed us with the bread of heaven,
so make us one in hearts and mind,
in Jesus Christ our lord. Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

**1. We have a gospel to proclaim
Good news for all in all the earth;
The gospel of a Saviour's name:
We sing his glory, tell his worth.**

**3. Tell of His death at Calvary,
Hated by those he came to save;
In lonely suffering on the cross
For all He loved his life he gave.**

**5. Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
By all creation glorified;
He sends his Spirit on his Church
To live for him, the Lamb who died.**

**2. Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
Not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim:
The Word made flesh, a light for all.**

**4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
Empty the tomb, for he was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
That we might share his victory.**

**6. Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel message we proclaim:
We sing his glory, tell his worth.**

THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

Go now in peace,
knowing that you have been born again,
not of perishable seed, but of imperishable,
through the living and enduring word of God;
and the blessing of God almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Voluntary: Preludes on the tune "Fulda"

Refreshments will be served in Room 1 as part of our Church Mission and Information Day. Lunch will be served as part of the afternoon – do please stay and find out all about the exciting plans in store.

NOTICES

James' Parish Days

This week will be Wednesday and Thursday.

Safeguarding Officer

We are very grateful to Jane Harwood who has agreed to become the Church Safeguarding Officer. Her contact details are overleaf.

Date for the diary – All Souls Evensong 3rd November

In this service we will read out the names of all those we love but see no longer. More information to follow.

Date for the diary – Taizé Service – 24th November, 6pm

Following the positive response to the service in July, we'll be having another Taizé service in November. If you've never experienced Taizé before, it is a beautifully reflective and meditative service involving simple sung chants, candlelight and musicians from St. John's and other local churches.

Date for the diary – Intercessors' Meeting, 26th November 7pm

All intercessors are invited and encouraged to the Vicarage on Tuesday 26th for cake and coffee and to look in some more detail about the theology behind intercessors and looking at tips to produce intercessions. If you're interested in joining our intercessors team, have a word with James.

Date for the Diary - Advent Fair, 30th November, from 12.30pm-5pm

Please see Cynthia with offers of help for: setting up: running stalls: general assistance: etc. We will also need bottles (of anything) for the tombola and homemade produce for the cake stall.

Hot Dogs for Halloween

As part of our desire to serve our local community, we will be opening church up to welcome people out on Halloween. We will be offering them hot dogs and inviting them to light a candle and write down the name of any deceased love ones. If you fancy helping out, have a word with James.

Nativity Tickets are on sale

As you know, we're really excited as a church to be putting on *The Carrington Nativity*. There is a wonderful cast of folks from this church and the wider community and tickets are now on sale! Have a word with James after this service.

Dinner at the Vicarage

Some of you came to one of the monthly suppers at the vicarage with James and Rachael earlier this year. We're going to start these up again from 23rd November and then from January. Do sign up on the sheet at the back. They're a fun and relaxed social occasion (and as far as we're aware, no-one has had food poisoning....)

Maintenance work

On the theme of decorating, there are some maintenance jobs that need some volunteers (no special skills required!) Our church space is an important part of our mission and welcome and we want to keep it a welcoming, light & versatile space for worship and community. The following need doing:

Putting up another two cameras, repairing uneven flooring, oiling main doors, changing lighting batteries, decorating (especially room 4). Someone with experience will co-ordinate! We could also really do with help to find firms and get prices for damp prevention work and building repairs. Any help is gratefully received (the Vicar will be taking a paintbrush to room 4 so don't be shy!)

Services & events this week

Tuesday 29th October 12pm	Midday Prayer
Wednesday 30th October 9am 10am 12-2pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion <i>followed by refreshments</i> Carrington Community Café
Thursday 31st October 9am	Morning Prayer

9.30am-11am	Toddlers
Saturday 2nd November 9am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 3rd November 10am 6pm	Parish Eucharist followed by refreshments Evensong for All Souls

Church Contacts

MINISTRY TEAM	The Revd. James Pacey 0115 779 9468 revjamespacey@gmail.com <i>(working days, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday – this may need to be changed on occasion)</i>
Vicar	
Minister	Susi Artis 0115 910 3003 / 07903 115327 se.artis@ntlworld.com
Parish Assistant	Rachael Pacey 07729 682294 stjohnscarringtonchurch@gmail.com
Churchwardens	Susi Artis 0115 910 3003 07903 115327 se.artis@ntlworld.com Philip Glanfield 0115 9626826 07921 589 621 philip.glanfield@me.com
Deputy Churchwardens	Cynthia Hoggett, Carol Lewis, John Glover, Ray Hotson
Organist:	Shaun Hooper
Safeguarding Officer	Jane Harwood safeguardingstjohnscarrington@gmail.com
Caretaker	Pete Chilvers: 07584 097 003



ST. JOHN'S, CARRINGTON
CHURCH & COMMUNITY CENTRE



stjohnschurchcarrington



St_JohnsChurch1

Email: stjohnscarringtonchurch@gmail.com

www.stjohnscarrington.org.uk

Charity commission registration number: 1132333.

CCLI Music Copyright Ref: 32840