

Parish Eucharist

The Second Sunday after Trinity

21st June 2020



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.

This is a very unusual time for the Church where we can't physically be with one another. Today, in line with the Bishops' advice, James will be offering the Eucharist from inside church.

As ever, wherever we are, as the Body of Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit we are united in fellowship with one another and with the whole company of heaven. As such, whether you are reading this on your own or following along on the live-stream we are delighted to welcome you.

HYMN

- 1. Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.**

- 2. Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.**

- 3. Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**
- 4. Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

THE GREETING and INTRODUCTION

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
and also with you.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

cf. John 8.12

**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. **Amen**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
To God be glory forever.
To God be glory forever.
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus.
To God be glory forever.
To God be glory forever.
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.
To God be glory forever.
To God be glory forever.
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Faithful Creator,
whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living Word,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

A// **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 21.8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. ⁹But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. ¹⁰So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' ¹¹The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. ¹²But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. ¹³As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' ¹⁴So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it

to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. ¹⁶Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. ¹⁷And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. ¹⁸Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' ¹⁹Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

²⁰God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. ²¹He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

This is the word of the Lord.

A// **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING: Romans 6.1-11

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This is the word of the Lord.

A// **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 10.24-39

Alleluia, alleluia.

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia.

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

A// **Glory to you, O Lord.**

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³² 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

A// **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

THE CREED

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

A// **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

A// **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

A// **We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

A// **This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray for the world and the Church, and thank God for his goodness.

Lord, in your mercy

A// **Hear our prayer**

After the names of the departed have been read out:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

A// **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Merciful Father,

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

We are the Body of Christ.

In the one spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace,
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you,

A// **and also with you.**

HYMN

1. **In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

- 2. In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

- 3. There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

A// All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (G)

The Lord be with you

A// And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

A// We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A// It is right to give thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Lord God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.
From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

A// **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.
From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.
He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.
On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
A// **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.
Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.
As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.
Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.
Reveal her unity, guard her faith,

and preserve her in peace.
Bring us at the last with St. John the Evangelist and all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:
**A// Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:
**A// 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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
A// We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

AGNUS DEI

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
A// Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

If you are making a spiritual communion (i.e. not receiving in person) you may wish to say the below:

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church,
where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated,

I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving.
I present to you my soul and body with the wish
that they may always be united to you.
And since I can not now receive you in this sacrament,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul.
Let nothing ever separate you from me.
May I live and die in your love. Amen.

HYMN

**4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand:
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

A// Amen

NOTICES

Almighty God,
**A// 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.**

THE DISMISSAL

CONCLUSION

The peace of God which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,

☩ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

A// **Amen.**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

A// **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

NOTICES

Update on opening the Church and Community Centre

We are aiming to open the Church and Community Centre as soon as the Government allows. We will be following safety guidance from the Government and the Church of England and thinking carefully about how it applies to our circumstances. St John's is a busy place which welcomes everyone. Adjusting to these circumstances will be a challenge. We will set out clearly what we expect from everyone who uses the building and what you can expect from us.

As a first step, we are planning what it will look like to open the Church for worship on Sundays and Wednesdays. This will be in accordance with the guidance from the Church of England as it is released.

Gathering for worship and the Eucharist is at the heart of our faith and so this is our first priority. Therefore, for now, we will not be opening the Church for private prayer. We realise this may be disappointing however to do so creates significant additional risk and demands.

Once we are open for worship we will work with community centre users on opening facilities as well as our other Church activities. This may take some time and there will be additional requirements when entering and using the building. We look forward to working with you on finding the best ways to keep each other safe.

Do please get in touch with any questions.

God bless,

Rev. James Pacey and the Churchwardens at St. John's Carrington

Giving

As we continue in lockdown, the PCC and treasurer are keeping a close eye on our income and expenditure so that we can continue to engage in our missional priorities. If you feel able to continue your giving or would like to set up a Standing Order, do please contact Peter Artis the treasurer or follow the link here:

<https://www.stjohnscarrington.org.uk/financial-giving>

James' Parish Days

This week will be Monday, Wednesday and Sunday.

Bible Study

Meets on Wednesday 24th at 7pm via Zoom. All welcome! (Link to follow).

Virtual Coffee

We will continue to have virtual coffee on Wednesdays at 11am and Sundays at 11.15 (NB: back to 11.15 from the 11.30 experiment last week). The Zoom link will be sent out via email. All welcome.

Zoom Mass

Every Third Sunday during lockdown, we will now be having a Zoom Eucharist. We did this on Ascension Day and it means people can see one another during the Mass. The service will also be live-streamed to Facebook at the same time if you would prefer to participate in that way. Those not online can also join in using the coffee telephone number. The first Zoom Eucharist is this week and we will use the link for coffee.

Evening Prayer

So we can ensure everyone can attend who may want to, Evening Prayer on Fridays will now be at 7pm. Mondays and Wednesdays will remain at 6pm.

Zoom over the phone

For those not online, it is now possible to join in Zoom events using a telephone. Members of our congregation not online have had the information, but if there is anyone else you know who might be interested, do have a word with James.

Telephone worship

The Church of England has launched a free dial-in worship service to bring prayer to people's homes while churches are closed because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Daily Hope, which is available now, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.

The national line is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Do let anyone know who you feel may benefit from it.

Services and events this week

Monday 22nd June 6pm	Evening Prayer via Zoom
Tuesday 23rd June 10am 9pm	Live-streamed Morning Prayer Live-streamed Compline
Wednesday 24th June	

10am	Live-streamed Eucharist
11am	Zoom coffee
6pm	Evening Prayer via Zoom
Thursday 25th June	
10am	Live-streamed Morning Prayer
9pm	Live-streamed Compline
Friday 26th June	
7pm	Evening Prayer via Zoom
Sunday 28th June	
10am	Live-streamed Eucharist
11.15am	Zoom coffee
7-8pm	'Vestry Hour'

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