



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 12 July 2020

*in a time of national and global
emergency precautions
to resist the spread of the
coronavirus pandemic*

**WELCOME TO THE
EUCCHARIST**
*the central Christian act
of worship*

*A warm welcome to you all joining
us from home on Facebook.*

*Please join in with the words in
bold.*

*All our hymns have been recorded
remotely by the Choral Scholars of
St Martin-in-the-Fields in their homes
and edited together, with thanks to the
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WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

How shall I sing that Majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand
around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand
sound
thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears;
but they behold thy face:
they sing because thou art their sun:
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun,
there alleluias be.

How great a being Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep:
thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.

John Mason (c.1645-1694)

THE GREETING

† In the name of God, Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you.
and also with you.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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.

TURNING BACK TO GOD

Brothers and sisters,
 as we prepare to celebrate,
 let us call to mind our sins.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in
thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our
whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours
as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have
been, help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

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

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.
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.
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.
Amen

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
 by whose Spirit the whole body of the
 Church is governed and sanctified;
 hear our prayer which we offer
 for all your faithful people,
 that in their vocation and ministry
 they may serve you in holiness
 and truth to the glory of your name;
 through our Lord and Saviour
 Jesus Christ,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

GRADUAL HYMN

**Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour
glowing;
O comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame
bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes, in its heat
consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my
path illuming.**

**Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner
clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.**

**And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of
human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his
dwelling.**

*Discendi, amor santo Bianco da Siena (died
1434) translated Richard Frederick Littledale
(1833-1890)*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE GOSPEL

Reader: David Bell

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Matthew

When it is announced:
Glory to you, O Lord

St Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

At the end:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON - by Sarah Paxton

THE CREED

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts
through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power
from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: John Tolley

Lord, in your abundant love
Hear our prayer

At the end of the prayers

Leader: Lord of life,
hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart
and mind to serve you with
joy for ever. Amen.

Please stand

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

God is love
 and those who live in love live in God
 and God lives in them.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of
 peace

**All may exchange a sign of peace
 with those we are watching with at
 home, or by writing in the comment
 box below**

OFFERTORY HYMN

*In the absence of our weekly
 collection at this point, if you would
 like to help support the life and work
 of the church, all donations would be
 greatly appreciated at this time. De-
 tails can be found on the back of the
 order of service. Thank you.*

**And can it be that I should gain
 an interest in the Saviour's blood?
 Died he for me, who caused his pain?
 For me, who him to death pursued?
 Amazing love! How can it be
 that thou, my God, shouldst die
 for me?**

**He left his Father's throne above -
 so free, so infinite his grace -
 emptied himself of all but love,
 and bled for Adam's helpless race.
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
 for, O my God, it found out me!**

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay
 fast bound in sin and nature's night;
 thine eye diffused a quickening ray -
 I woke, the dungeon flamed with light,
 my chains fell off, my heart was free,
 I rose, went forth, and followed thee.**

**No condemnation now I dread;
 Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
 Alive in him, my living head,
 and clothed in righteousness divine,
 bold I approach the eternal throne,
 and claim the crown, through Christ,
 my own.**

The last two lines of each verse are repeated.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give thanks and praise

It is indeed right,
it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord.

And now we give you thanks because
you are the source of light and life;
you made us in your image and called
us to new life in him.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious
name, for ever praising you and
saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of
your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessèd is he, who comes in
the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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

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,
and make our spiritual communion,
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:

**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:

**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
**we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, **you take away
the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY
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COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may
be so peaceably ordered by your
governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve
you in all godly quietness:
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

NOTICES

POST COMMUNION HYMN

**O Lord my God!
when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works Thy hand
hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty
thunder,
thy power throughout the
universe displayed:**

*Then sings my soul,
my Saviour God to thee,
How great thou art!
How great thou art!
Then sings my soul,
my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great thou art!
How great thou art!*

**When through the woods
and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the
trees;
when I look down from lofty
mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook, and feel the gen-
tle breeze;
*Refrain***

**And when I think
that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take
it in.
that on the cross my burden
gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away
my sin:
*Refrain***

**When Christ shall come
with shout of acclamation
and take me home – what joy shall fill
my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble
adoration
and there proclaim, my God,
how great thou art!
*Refrain***

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THE BLESSING

May God the Father
from whom every family in earth
and heaven receives its name
strengthen you with his Spirit
in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your
hearts by faith,
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the
Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you
always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary:
Giovanni Salvatore - *Canzone
Francesca*, taken from a CD of our
organist Graham Powell recorded on
the organ of St Peter's Limsfield.

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the Meeting ID and Password.*

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