



**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER,
AT THE END OF CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**

Sunday 17 May 2020, 11am

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

WELCOME TO THE EUCHARIST IN EASTERTIDE
Pre-recorded in St Peter's Limpsfield and other places

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

*Please join in with the words in **bold**.*

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN (*NEH 500*)

**Thy kingdom come! On bended knee
The passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see
On earth that kingdom's day.**

**But the slow watches of the night
Not less to God belong;
And for the everlasting right
The silent stars are strong.**

**And lo, already on the hills
The flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
Proclaim the day is near:**

**The day in whose clear-shining light
All wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned in might,
And every hurt be healed.**

**When knowledge, hand in hand
with peace,
Shall walk the earth abroad;
The day of perfect righteousness,
The promised day of God.**

GREETING

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

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

CONFESSION

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.

**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 (Iona)
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
(Glory to God in the highest...)

THE COLLECT

Risen Christ,
 by the lakeside you renewed your call
 to your disciples:
 help your Church to obey your
 command and draw the nations to the
 fire of your love, to the glory of God
 the Father.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

HYMN (*SP 186*)

**God in his wisdom, for our learning,
 gave his inspired and holy word:
 promise of Christ,
 for our discerning,
 by which our souls
 are moved and stirred,
 finding our hearts within us burning
 when, as of old, his voice is heard.**

**Symbol and story, song and saying,
 life-bearing truths
 for heart and mind,
 God in his sovereign grace
 displaying
 tenderest care for humankind,
 Jesus our Lord this love portraying,
 open our eyes to seek and find.**

**Come then with prayer and
 contemplation,
 see how in Scripture Christ is
 known;
 wonder anew at such salvation
 hear in these sacred pages shown;
 lift every heart in adoration,
 children of God by grace alone!**

GOSPEL READING
 Reader: Sarah Paxton

Luke 10:25-37 - The Parable of the
 Good Samaritan

The Lord be with you.
And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus
 Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus.

'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.'

And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend."

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?'

He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.'

Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

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

SERMON: Lord Williams of Oystermouth, Former Archbishop of Canterbury, Chair of Christian Aid

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

Leader: Jane Tozer

After: Lord in your mercy
hear our prayer

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

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
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

we may share the peace with those family members around us, or by writing in the comment box below

Anthem: Locus Iste - Bruckner

We offer this today, recorded from St Peter's, to mark our first small step (since 22 March) back into our church building for worship. May this sacred place long continue to help us to recognise and work for the breaking in of God's kingdom in the world, wherever love, hope and faith reign.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

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.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them in heaven's song:

**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.

Father of all,
we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven.

To the darkness Jesus came as your light.

With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
 he took bread, gave thanks,
 broke it and said:
 This is my body, given for you all.
 Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
 he took the cup, gave it and said:
 This is my blood, shed for you all for
 the forgiveness of sins.
 Do this in remembrance of me.
 This is our story.

**This is our song:
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread
 and this cup we celebrate the cross
 on which he died to set us free.
 Defying death he rose again
 and is alive with you to plead for us
 and all the world.

This is our story.
**This is our song:
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit upon us now
 that by these gifts we may feed on
 Christ with opened eyes and hearts
 on fire.
 May we and all who share this
 spiritual communion offer ourselves
 to live for you and be welcomed at
 your feast in heaven where all
 creation worships you, Father,
 Son and Holy Spirit:

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER
**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.**

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

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY
 COMMUNION / SPIRITUAL
 COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
 God our Father,
**whose Son Jesus Christ
 gives the water of eternal life:
 may we thirst for you, the spring of
 life and source of goodness,
 through him who is alive and reigns,
 now and for ever. Amen.**

NOTICES

CLOSING HYMN (NEH 113)

**Love's redeeming work is done;
Fought the fight, the battle won:
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!
Lo, he sets in blood no more!**

**Vain the stone, the watch, the seal,
Christ hath burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids his rise;
Christ has opened Paradise.**

**Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O Death, is now thy sting?
Dying once, he all doth save;
Where thy victory, O grave?**

**Soar we now where Christ has led,
Following our exalted Head;
Made like him, like him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.**

**Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given:
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection thou!**

THE DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May Christ, who out of defeat
brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God,
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,
be among you and
remain with you this day and always.
Amen.

With the power that raised Jesus from
the dead at work
within you,
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia!
Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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coffee on Zoom. To join simply click
the link below or enter the Meeting ID
and Password.*

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