



## CHRIST THE KING

*Sunday 22 November 2020*

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

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

*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, with thanks to  
the Church of England for providing  
them for our streamed services, and  
the Contracovids.*

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN (*NEH 338*)

**At the name of Jesus  
every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess him  
King of Glory now:  
'tis the Father's pleasure  
we should call him Lord,  
who from the beginning  
was the mighty Word:**

**Humbled for a season,  
to receive a name  
from the lips of sinners  
unto whom he came,  
faithfully he bore it  
spotless to the last,  
brought it back victorious  
when from death he passed.**

**Name him, Christians, name him,  
with love strong as death,  
but with awe and wonder,  
and with bated breath;  
he is God the Saviour,  
he is Christ the Lord,  
ever to be worshipped,  
trusted and adored.**

**Surely, this Lord Jesus  
shall return again,  
with his Father's glory,  
with his angel train;  
for all wreaths of empire  
meet upon his brow,  
and our hearts confess him  
King of Glory now.**

## THE GATHERING

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

**Amen.**

## THE GREETING

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.**

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the  
kingdom of heaven is close at  
hand.' So let us turn away from sin  
and turn to Christ, confessing our  
sins in penitence and faith.

*cf Matthew 4: 17*

**O King enthroned on high,**  
**filling the earth with your glory:**  
**holy is your name,**  
**Lord God almighty.**  
**In our sinfulness we cry to you**  
**to take our guilt away,**  
**and to cleanse our lips to speak**  
**your word,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies  
cleanse us from our sins,  
and restore us in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## GLORIA (Said)

**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.**

## THE COLLECT

Eternal Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the  
throne of heaven that he might rule over  
all things as Lord and King:  
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit  
and in the bond of peace,  
and bring the whole created order to  
worship at his feet;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### *First reading*

Ezek. 34: 11-16, 20-24

*Reader: Nancy Fisher*

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## GRADUAL HYMN (NEH 373)

**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 alleluyas 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.**

## THE GOSPEL

*Reader: Eleanor Stoneham*

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus  
Christ according to Matthew

St Matthew 25: 31-end

*When it is announced:*

**Glory to you, O Lord**

*At the end:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## THE SERMON - *Sarah Paxton*

### THE CREED

**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

*Leader: Nila Spiller*

*After:* Lord, in your mercy  
Hear our prayer

*At the end of the prayers*

**Leader: Loving God  
you have taught us that the power  
of the heart is greater than the  
power of wealth and might.  
Hear us as we pray for the  
fulfilment of your reign.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ  
our King;  
to him be glory and power  
for ever. Amen.**

#### THE PEACE

To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind together and complete the  
whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in our  
hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with  
you.

**and also with you.**

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

#### HYMN

(SP 246)

**Jesus Christ is waiting,  
waiting in the streets;  
no one is his neighbour,  
all alone he eats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too;  
make me, friend or stranger,  
fit to wait on you.**

**Jesus Christ is raging,  
raging in the streets,  
where injustice spirals  
and real hope retreats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus I am angry too;  
in the Kingdom's causes let me  
rage with you.**

**Jesus Christ is healing,  
healing in the streets;  
curing those who suffer,  
touching those he greets.  
Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too;  
let my care be active, healing,  
just like you.**

**Jesus Christ is dancing,  
dancing in the streets,  
where each sign of hatred he,  
with love, defeats.  
Listen, Lord Jesus I should  
triumph too;  
where good conquers evil let me  
dance with you.**

**Jesus Christ is calling,  
calling in the streets,  
'Who will join my journey?  
I will guide their feet.'  
Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears  
be few:  
walk one step before me;  
I will follow you.**

## 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, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you  
thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.  
For with the oil of gladness you have  
anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,  
to be our great high priest and king of  
all creation.

As priest, he offered himself once for all  
upon the altar of the cross and  
redeemed the human race by this  
perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all  
your creatures, that he may bring  
before your infinite majesty  
a kingdom of truth and life,  
a kingdom of holiness and grace,  
a kingdom of justice, love and peace.  
And so with angels and archangels and  
all the heavenly host, we proclaim your  
glory and join in their unending hymn of  
praise.

**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,  
 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

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

#### 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 COMMUNION / SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Stir up, O Lord,  
 the wills of your faithful people;  
 that they, plenteously bringing forth  
 the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gates of glory.**

May we who share Christ's body  
live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to  
others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light  
to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have  
set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be  
free, and the whole earth live to  
praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## NOTICES

FINAL HYMN (SP 108)  
*...sung by the Contracovids*

**Lord, the light of your love is  
shining,  
in the midst of the darkness  
shining :  
Jesus, Light of the world,  
shine upon us ;  
set us free by the truth you now  
bring us :  
shine on me, shine on me.**

***Shine, Jesus, shine,  
fill this land with the Father's  
glory ;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze,  
set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow,  
flood the nations with grace  
and mercy ;  
send forth your word, Lord,  
and let there be light !***

**Lord, I come to your awesome  
presence,  
from the shadows into your  
radiance ;**

**by the blood I may enter your  
brightness :  
search me, try me, consume all  
my darkness :  
shine on me, shine on me.**

***Refrain:***

**As we gaze on your kingly  
brightness  
so our faces display your  
likeness,  
ever changing from glory to glory :  
mirrored here, may our lives tell  
your story :  
shine on me, shine on me.**

***Refrain:***

## THE BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and  
strong to do his will, that you may  
reign with him in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father †, the Son and the  
Holy Spirit be among you and  
remain with you always.

**Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the  
Lord

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

Voluntary:  
Laudamus te from Vivaldi's Gloria  
sung by Helen Ireland and Julia  
Daruval

After the service  
Midday Zoom Coffee. Please refer to  
weekly notices for invite link.  
All welcome.

*Please consider helping to support the life and work of our church if you can in any of the following ways:*

### **Standing Order**

Regular Giving is our preferred method. To set up a Standing Order please visit our website <https://www.stpeterslimpsfield.org/giving.html> To download a form and Gift Aid declaration (if applicable), or contact the Parish Office to be sent one.

### **Online giving**

You can give a one-off amount via our Give.net page: <https://www.give.net/20291285> or by scanning the QR code below.



### **Text giving**

You can donate any whole value up to £20 by texting STPETER (amount) to 70085. For example texting STPETER 10 will donate £10.

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Thank you

