

THE EUCHARIST

ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 20 March 2022 at 11.00am

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the Third Sunday of Lent. We welcome those live-streaming from home, who share this service with those present in the Minster.

Today's services are sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the MISSA BREVIS by Lennox Berkeley.

The Preacher is the Revd Jane Speck, Chaplain, York St John University and Honorary Minor Canon.

Information about this Service

- York Minster is keeping a number of safety measures in place to help keep our worshippers, visitors, staff and volunteers safe.
- Hand sanitisers are placed around the building for use at any time.
- We have various measures to enable people to enter and exit the building safely.
- Please follow the safety announcements and directions of our Stewards to help everyone stay safe this winter.
- Currently, Holy Communion is administered in one kind only. If you
 normally receive communion in your own church, you are very welcome to
 receive communion here. If you do not wish to take communion but would
 like to receive a blessing, please come forward and let the minister know.
- Gluten-free communion wafers are available from the communion station at the front, nearest the altar. Please follow the directions of the Stewards. When the time comes to receive communion, please ask the minister for a gluten-free wafer.
- This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy
 and not the congregation. For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do
 not record this service on your own devices.
- If you would like to make a donation to support the mission and ministry
 of York Minster, there are contactless donation points and collection boxes
 available as you leave.

Please join in saying together the words printed in bold type.

The Gathering

The Litany

A bell is rung. Please stand as the choir sings the Litany in procession. In this season of penitence you are invited to use this time to seek God's mercy.

O God the Father, of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners. O God the Father, of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners. O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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Remember not, Lord our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. *Spare us, good Lord.*

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and at the day of judgement, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant Elizabeth, our most gracious Queen and Governor; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the High Court of Parliament and all the Ministers of the Crown, with grace, wisdom, and understanding; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us. Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

Music William Byrd (1539/40-1623)

The Greeting

The President says:

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

The Lord be with you and also with you.

The President introduces the service.

Please remain standing.

Prayers of Penitence

A Minister says:

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

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.

The choir sings:

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The President says:

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.

The Collect

The President says:

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

ISAIAH 55.1-9

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn



- Thou art the Way: by thee alone from sin and death we flee;
 and he who would the Father seek must seek him, Lord, by thee.
- Thou art the Truth: thy word alone true wisdom can impart; thou only, canst inform the mind and purify the heart.
- 3. Thou art the Life: the rending tomb proclaims thy conquering arm; and those who put their trust in thee nor death nor hell shall harm.
- 4. Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life: grant us that Way to know, that Truth to keep, that Life to win, whose joys eternal flow.

Words George Doane (1799–1859)
Tune ST JAMES, NEH 464, Raphael Courteville (d. 1772)

Please sit.

New Testament Reading

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

I CORINTHIANS 10.1-13

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel may be heralded by music played on the organ.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

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

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down." '

LUKE 13.1-9

After the Gospel the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The organist plays a musical response to the Gospel reading.

Please sit.

Sermon

The Revd Jane Speck Chaplain, York St John University and Honorary Minor Canon

The organist plays a musical response to the sermon.

The Creed

Let us affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The President introduces the Peace:

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

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

Members of the congregation are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

The Offertory Hymn is sung, during which the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Offertory Hymn



- I. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 'Come unto me and rest;
 lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast:'
 I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad;
 I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.
- 3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 'I am this dark world's light;
 look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
 and all thy day be bright:'
 I looked to Jesus, and I found
 in him my star, my sun;
 and in that light of life I'll walk
 till travelling days are done.

Words Horatio Bonar (1808–89)
Tune Kingsfold, Neh 376, traditional English melody

Taking of the Bread and Wine

This prayer is said as the gifts are presented.

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The following dialogue is said or sung:



Let us give thanks to the Lord_ our God. It is right to give thanks and praise._

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son.
For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again.
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your mercy and join with saints and angels for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, H
Dominus Deus Sabaoth, G
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. 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.

The congregation is invited to sit or kneel.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

This acclamation is used:

Jesus Christ is Lord: Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Peter the Apostle, William of York, and all the saints, to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

A short silence is kept.

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

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

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.

Giving of Communion

The President says an invitation to communion:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The body and blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

During the distribution of Communion the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

miserere nobis. the world, have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

dona nobis pacem. the world, grant us peace.

and

Ave verum corpus natum ex Maria Virgine vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine. Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine. O clemens, O pie, O dulcis Jesu fili Mariae.

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered upon the cross for mankind: from whose pierced side there came forth water and blood; give us now, and at the time of our death, yourself to be our food. O gentle, holy Jesus, Son of Mary.

Words Latin, 14th century ♦ Music Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands.

The President says:

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All then say together:

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.

Hymn



- stand up, and bless the Lord, ye people of his choice;stand up, and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.
- 2. Though high above all praise, above all blessing high, who would not fear his holy Name, and praise and magnify?
- 3. O for the living flame from his own altar brought, to touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heaven our thought!
- 4. God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours; then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.
- Stand up, and bless the Lord, the Lord your God adore;
 stand up, and bless his glorious name henceforth for evermore.

Words James Montgomery (1771–1854)
Tune Carlisle, Neh 452, Charles Lockhart (1745–1815)

The Dismissal

The Blessing

The President says:

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

A Minister says:

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

Verses from The Lent Prose are sung as the procession leaves.