



# THE EUCHARIST

ON

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Sunday 16 May 2021**  
**at 11.00am**

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

Today's service will be sung by the Minster Choir to the *MISSA TRIURIENSIS* by Gabriel Jackson and to chant from *MASS IX*.

*The Preacher is the Revd Catriona Cumming, Succentor.*

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

## **Information about this Service**

- ◆ This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy and not the congregation.
- ◆ Hand sanitizer is available for your use; we ask that everyone maintains physical distancing at all times. Please refrain from gathering or socialising with one another after the service and please follow the directions of the stewards.
- ◆ For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do not record this service on your own devices.
- ◆ 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.

# The Gathering

*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.**

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

*The President may introduce the liturgy.*

*Please remain standing.*

## 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.**

*The Deacon says:*

Christ has gone up on high, leading captivity captive  
and bringing gifts for all his people.  
As we prepare ourselves to meet him here in the courts of heaven  
let us call to mind our many failures and sins.

**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 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.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

*The choir sings:*

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te,  
glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter  
magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus  
Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe: Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe,  
cum Sancto Spiritu,  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*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.*

*Please remain standing.*

## The Collect

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place  
where our Saviour Christ is gone before,  
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

## New Testament Reading

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, ‘Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.’

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.’ So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, ‘Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.’ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

ACTS 1.15–17, 21–end

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*The Gospel is heralded by music played on the organ. Please stand.*

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says:*

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said: ‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am

asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.'

JOHN 17.6-19

*After the Gospel the reader says:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Music is played to honour the Gospel.*

## **Sermon**

The Revd Catriona Cumming, Succentor

*The organist improvises a reflective response.*

## 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.**



## Prayers of Intercession

*One of these responses may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*OR*

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The prayers may conclude:*

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*The President says:*

God has made us one in Christ.  
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,  
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you  
**and also with you. Alleluia.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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

## Offertory Motet

*As the choir sings, the gifts of bread and wine and the congregation are censed.*

God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

O sing praises, sing praises unto our God: O sing praises, sing praises unto the Lord, our King.

For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with the understanding.

God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat.

For God, which is highly exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Words* Psalm 47 ♦ *Music* Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

*This prayer is said as the gifts are presented:*

Lord of all and source of our joy,  
receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Keep us in the love of Christ  
and bring us to the vision of his glory:  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# The Eucharistic Prayer

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,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is our great high priest  
who has entered once for all  
into the heavenly sanctuary,  
evermore to pour upon your Church  
the grace and comfort of your Holy Spirit.  
He is the one who has gone before us,  
who calls us to be united in prayer  
as were his disciples in the upper room  
while they awaited his promised gift,  
the life-giving Spirit of Pentecost.

Therefore all creation yearns with eager longing  
as angels and archangels sing the endless hymn of praise:

*The choir sings:*

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

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

Benedictus qui venit in nomine  
Domini. Osanna in excelsis.

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

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Peter the Apostle and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*Please remain standing. 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.**

Alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

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

*Communion is administered at a number of places. You will be guided by the Stewards.*

*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*

O salutaris Hostia, Quae caeli pandis ostium, Bella, premunt hostilia, Da robur,  
fer auxilium.

*O saving Victim, opening wide the gate of heaven to man below; our foes press hard  
on every side, your aid supply, your strength bestow.*

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change;  
courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.

*Words* St Thomas Aquinas (1225–74) and Reinhold Niebuhr (1892–1971)

*Music* James MacMillan (b. 1959)

## Prayer after Communion

*The congregation stands.*

*The President says*

Let us pray.

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
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 gate 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.**

## The Dismissal

*Please remain standing.*

*The President says:*

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,  
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God.  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

*The Deacon says:*

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

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

*As the procession moves from the Nave, the choir sings PSALM 150.*