



**12th March 2023**

Third Sunday of Lent



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### Services in the Parish next week

**8.30am St John's Holy Communion**

**9.30am St Hugh's Holy Communion**

**10am Family Service for Mothering Sunday**

### Hymn

All my hope on God is founded;  
he doth still my trust renew.  
Me through change and chance he guideth,  
only good and only true.

God unknown,  
he alone  
calls my heart to be his own.

God's great goodness aye endureth,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendour, light, and life attend him,  
beauty springeth out of naught.

Evermore  
from his store  
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty giver  
bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth,  
pleasure leads us where we go.

Love doth stand  
at his hand;  
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of Christ his Son.

Christ doth call  
one and all:  
ye who follow shall not fall.

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

**All Amen.**

## **The Greeting**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All and also with you.**

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**All 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 Collect**

**Reading**—Romans 5:1-11

*At the end of the reading please respond*

For the gift of your holy word

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Hymn**

**As the deer pants for the water,  
So my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.**

**You alone are my strength, my shield,  
To you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.**

**I want you more than gold or silver,  
only you can satisfy.**

**You alone are the real joy-giver  
and the apple of my eye.**

*You alone are my strength, my shield, .....*

**You're my Friend and you are my brother,  
even though you are a King.  
I love you more than any other,  
So much more than anything.**

*You alone are my strength, my shield ....*

## **Gospel Reading**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.  
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.  
**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

### **The Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

To the words 'Lord hear us' would you please respond '**Lord graciously hear us**'. *At end of the prayers we say together*

Merciful Father,

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

## Prayers of Penitence

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled against him. Let us then renounce our wilfulness and ask his mercy by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

God of Living Water, you call us to come and drink.

**All So why do we sit here and complain that there is not enough water?**

You call us to strike the rocks of our world and let your Living Water flow.

**All But we do not trust enough that the spring is there.**

**We want to find the water on our own, using our own wisdom.**

You call us to share the Water of Life with the world around us.

**All But we believe that the water is limited,  
not abundant and so we are tempted to save it for ourselves.**

For all the times we turn away from your Water,

for all the times we sully the Water by misusing it,

for all the times we let others go thirsty instead of offering a drink,

**All Forgive us we pray.**

Time for silent prayer and reflection

The Water of Life flows with abundance to fill us with hope, to cleanse us of our guilt, to fill us with new life. Washed in the Living Water, we are forgiven and set free to live abundant life.

**All Thanks and praise to God. Amen.**

The children join us from their worship, notices and Banns of Marriage are given.

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### 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.

**All and also with you.**

Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

**Hymn** (*during which a collection will be taken for the work of this Parish. At the end of the service the contactless giving machine will be available at the back of church should you prefer to make a donation in this way.*)

**O, to see the dawn of the darkest day,**

**Christ on the road to Calvary.**

**Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then  
nailed to a cross of wood.**

*This, the power of the cross,  
Christ became sin for us.  
Took the blame, bore the wrath  
we stand forgiven at the cross.*

O, to see the pain written on your face,  
bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed  
crowning your bloodstained brow.

*This, the power of the cross, .....*

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath  
quakes as its Maker bows his head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;  
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

*This, the power of the cross, .....*

O, to see my name written in the wounds,  
for through your suff'ring I am free.  
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,  
won through your selfless love.

*This, the power of the cross:  
Son of God, slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost!  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

## **Prayer at the Preparation of the Table**

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.

**All Amen.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond*

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

*The president recalls the Last Supper*

Great is the mystery of faith

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

*The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond*

**All Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

## **Giving of Communion**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people

**All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.**

*Priest and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive bread and wine whether you have been confirmed or not. This part of the service is when we come together as family to receive God's gifts and to*

*remember his love for us. Please come forward at the direction of the churchwardens. At the distribution of the bread and wine these words will be said .*

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

The communicant replies **Amen**

After the choir anthem please join with the singing of this hymn

**Beneath the cross of Jesus  
I find a place to stand,  
and wonder at such mercy  
that calls me as I am.  
For hands that should discard me  
hold wounds which tell me come.  
Beneath the cross of Jesus  
my unworthy soul is won.**

**Beneath the cross of Jesus,  
his family is my own.  
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams;  
now, one through grace alone.  
How could I now dishonour  
the ones that you have loved?  
Beneath the cross of Jesus,  
see the children called by God.**

**Beneath the cross of Jesus  
the path before the crown,  
we follow in his footsteps  
where promised hope is found.  
How great the joy before us  
to be his perfect bride.  
Beneath the cross of Jesus,  
we will gladly live our lives.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

*The Post-Communion prayer is said*

**All God of our pilgrimage, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The children share their work.

## Hymn

The God of Abraham praise,  
who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of everlasting days,  
and God of love;  
Jehovah, great I AM!  
by earth and heaven confest;  
we bow and bless the sacred name  
for ever blest.

The goodly land we see,  
with peace and plenty blest:  
a land of sacred liberty  
and endless rest;  
there milk and honey flow,  
and oil and wine abound,  
and trees of life forever grow,  
with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our God,  
the Lord our Righteousness,  
triumphant o'er the world of sin,  
the Prince of peace:  
on Sion's sacred height  
his kingdom he maintains,  
and glorious with his saints in light  
for ever reigns.

Before the Saviour's face  
the ransomed nations bow,  
o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace  
for ever new;  
he shows his prints of love  
they kindle to a flame,  
and sound through all the worlds above  
the slaughtered Lamb.

The whole triumphant host  
give thanks to God on high;  
'hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,'  
they ever cry:  
hail, Abraham's God, and mine,  
(I join the heavenly lays)  
all might and majesty are thine,  
and endless praise.



## **The Blessing and Dismissal**

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

**REFRESHMENTS AT ST JOHN'S**—everyone is welcome to the hall today to join us for refreshments.

**MESSY CHURCH**—is today at 4.00pm at St John's!

**THE CROSS OF CHRIST**—You may recall that in previous years we have used this service on Palm Sunday evening. This year we are putting on this very moving act of worship on Sunday 3rd April (Passion Sunday) at St John's at 4pm. The choir have been practising very hard for this service and they will be supported by members of other local church choirs. Please do come and support our choir .

**ELECTORAL ROLL**—We are now reviewing our Electoral Roll to make sure it is up to date and everyone who is a member of the Parish, over 16 years of age and baptised is on the Roll. If you have never been asked then there is a form to complete and returned to either the Electoral Roll Officer (Carol Jennings) or to Canon Sandra. If you are unsure whether you are on the Roll please contact Sandra and she will check for you.

**PREPARATIONS FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY**—We shall be making up the Mothering Sunday bunches on Saturday 18th March in St John's Hall from 10am. If you could spare 30 - 45 mins to help that would be much appreciated. Please text me on 07770 942726 if you can come. Thank you Madeleine Sheen

**MOTHERING SUNDAY**—Our next Family Service is **SUNDAY 19th MARCH** at 10am at St John's Church when we will be celebrating all that our Mothers (and all those who care for us) do and have done for us.

**LENT LUNCHESES**—We will be holding Lent Lunches starting at 12.30am. The dates and venues are:

Thursday 16th March—Moravian Church

Thursday 23rd March—St James's Church (led by the Church School)

Friday 31st March—St Aidan's Church

**CONVERSATIONS IN LENT**—The Christian faith is not just what happens on Sunday. When we gather to worship often there is not much time to talk about living our faith in our daily lives. Our world is complex and we face a range of personal and ethical decisions in a culture of many and varied views. Lent is a season when we are encouraged to make time to deepen our faith which has a lot to contribute to society today. We have called our time together this year 'Conversations in Lent'. There will be input on a particular ethical issue each week with time to talk and to reflect together as we seek to grow in faith and find resources for daily living. We hope that you will come along to St James' Church on Tuesday evenings in Lent at 7.30 - 9.15pm. The topics and dates are:-

**March 14<sup>th</sup> – Dying Matters** led by Carolyn and Nic Gomersal

**March 21<sup>st</sup> – Inter-faith issues** led by Rev Jenny Ramsden, Diocesan Inter-faith Advisor

**March 28<sup>th</sup> - 'Living in community; an enabled world?' Reflections on faith and disability** led by Rev Ruth Yeoman

**LENT APPEAL**—This year our Lent Appeal is for UNICEF using their Jar of Grace Appeal. If you haven't got a label please take one from the back of church.. At each meal during Lent you are invited to say the prayer on the label and then make a donation to the work of the UNICEF as you give thanks for everything that we have. These will be collected on Easter Day.

**ALTERNATIVE BOOK CLUB** – On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm we will be meeting in S James' Lounge to look at Chapter 4 of the book 'And yet – Finding Joy in Lament' by Rachael Newham. Everyone is welcome. If you plan to attend for the first time you will need a copy of the book. If you would like support to purchase a copy, please have a word with Canon Sandra or Revd Ruth.

**THE CROSS OF CHRIST**— This is a very moving service and it will be held at St John's Church on Sunday 2nd April (Palm Sunday) at 4pm. The choir have been practicing very hard for this service and they will be supported by others. Please do come and support our choir as we move from Palm Sunday into Holy Week.

# **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN THE PARISH**

## **Palm Sunday 2nd April**

- 8.30am Holy Communion—St John's
- 9.30am Service of the Word—St Hugh's
- 10.00am Family Communion—St John's

## **Tuesday 4th April—St John's**

- 7.30pm Stations of the Cross

## **Thursday 6th April (Maundy Thursday) - St John's**

- 7.30pm Holy Communion including sharing a light supper together as we journey together to Gethsemane and the arrest of Jesus

## **Friday 7th April (Good Friday) - St John's**

- 10.00am—1.00pm Good Friday Pilgrimage
- 2.00pm Last Hour at the Cross

## **Sunday 9th April (Easter Day)**

- 6.30am Dawn Service—St John's
- 8.30am Easter Communion—St John's
- 9.30am Easter Communion—St Hugh's
- 10.00am Easter Communion—St John's
- 10.30am Easter Communion—St James's

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