



Third Sunday of Easter

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Hymn

New songs of celebration render to him who has great wonders done. Love sits enthroned in ageless splendour; come and adore the Mighty One. He has made known the great salvation which all his friends with joy confess: he has revealed to every nation his everlasting righteousness.

Joyfully, heartily resounding, let every instrument and voice peal out the praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice. Trumpets and organs, set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring; all things that live in earth and ocean, make music for your mighty King.

Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honour the Lord with wild acclaim; mountains and stones, look up adoring, and find a voice to praise his name. Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be his that never cease: just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.

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

All Amen.

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

All and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen. All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

- **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.

Gloria in Excelsis

All Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

Collect

Reading - Acts 3:12-19

Please sit for the reading. At the end the reader says

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Jesus stand among us at the meeting of our lives; be our sweet agreement at the meeting of our eyes; O Jesus, we love you, so we gather here, join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.

So to you we're gathering out of each and every land; Christ the love between us at the joining of our hands. O Jesus, we love you, so we gather here; join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.

Jesus, stand among us at the breaking of the bread; join us as one body as we worship you, our Head. O Jesus, we love you, so we gather here; join our hearts in unity and take away our fear

The Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

All Alleluia.

Here the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

All 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,

All God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

All 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.

All 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;

All 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,

All the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

All With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

All We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

All We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

To the words 'Jesus, Lord of life' would you please respond 'in your mercy hear us'.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

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

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief. We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection. In your mercy, forgive us.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us. All

We have lived for this world alone. and doubted our home in heaven. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us. All

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.

All Amen.

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The two disciples told what had happened on the road to Emmaus, and how Jesus had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia.

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

All

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace by acknowledging everyone saving 'Peace be with you'.

Hymn (during which the collection will be taken. If you are UK tax payer please consider placing your donation in the gift aid envelopes in the pews and filling out the details, this is a real help to us. There is a contactless giving machine available as you leave Church if you would prefer to give in this way)

See what a morning, gloriously bright with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem; folded the grave-clothes tomb filled with light, as the angels announce Christ is risen! See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice, fulfilled in Christ, the man, for he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping: 'Where is he laid?' As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb; hears a voice speaking, calling her name: it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again! The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us, will sound till he appears, for he lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty, honour and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with power and authority! And we are raised with him, death is dead, love has won Christ has conquered; and we shall reign with him, for he lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world.

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

Rejoicing in God's new creation let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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 only 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

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us. All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The president and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive the bread and wine whether you've been baptised or confirmed. 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 in with the singing of the 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 fam'ly 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 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 children share their work.

Hymn

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne, hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died to thee and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands and side, those wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright. Crown him the Lord of peace whose power a sceptre sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end, and round his piercèd feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time, creator of the rolling sphere ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail through all eternity.

The Blessing and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia. All In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia.

NOTICES

MESSY CHURCH - Our next Messy Church session is next Sunday 21st April at 4pm in St John's Church Hall. All families are very welcome.

UNICEF JAR OF GRACE - It is now time to collect in your UNICEF Jar of Grace which was our charity during Lent. Please don't forget to bring your jars, or donation, during April and then we can add up the money raised and let you know the total. They can be left at the back of the church or given to a Warden.

CLEANING OF ST JOHN'S BRASSES - Alison Boggie is kindly organising a group to clean the brasses at St John's which have not been done for some time. The date for this is Thursday 2nd May at 10am for an hour. Obviously more hands make light work so please do think if you can give an hour so that our brasses can shine! Please let Alison know if you able to help.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE - Everyone is welcome to join us at St James' Church lounge for coffee and a chat from 10am - 12noon every week.

GIRLS BRIGADE ENGLAND AND WALES - is our parish charity for April. Girls' Brigade has been in existence for 130 years "to help girls become followers of the Lord Jesus Christ and through self-control, reverence and a sense of responsibility to find true enrichment of life". Over 450 groups meet each week; 2000 leaders working with around 9000 girls (and some boys) to fulfil this aim. After the service at St John's on Sunday 28th April 2024 Carol Brown will have a table with information about Girls' Brigade together with baked goods and some items made by the girls of 2nd Halifax company, for which any financial donations will be welcomed. Please help by giving via BACS through the Parish account with the reference GBRIG or give by text. Text GIRLSBRIGADE followed by your donation amount to 70085 to give that amount. Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message. Thank you for supporting the charity of the month.

JULIAN MEETING - The next meeting of the Julian Group will be on Wednesday 17th April in the Lounge at St James' Church at 2.00pm. These meetings foster the teaching and practice of contemplative prayer in the Christian tradition. Prayer can be incorporated into our everyday lives and we explore encouraging ways of doing this. Everyone is welcome.

FAMILY SERVICE - our next Family Service is Sunday 5th May and included in this service will be a collection for the work of Christian Aid which is our charity of the month for May.

EXPLORE PRAYER CARDS - At the back of St John's Church you will find some Explore Cards. You are very welcome to have a look and take them if you would like one or you know of someone who might find them helpful. They offer some thought-provoking images, simple but profound words to help anyone to express their feelings and needs - and find comfort, strength, and hope. We are very fortunate to be able to offer these free.

Giving to the Parish You can help to make a difference to support the work of our parish. We've made it easier for you to help, you can now donate in more ways to suit you:



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