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Hymn

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise:
he who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
of the holy harvest field,
which will all its full abundance
at his second coming yield;
then the golden ears of harvest
will their heads before him wave,
ripened by his glorious sunshine,
from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen;
shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
from the brightness of thy face;
that we, with our hearts in heaven,
here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel-hands be gathered,
and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high:
Alleluia to the Saviour,
who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
fount of love and sanctity:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
to the Triune Majesty.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of 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 8:26-end

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

For the gift of you holy word

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

**You are the Vine,
we are the branches,
keep us abiding in you.
You are the Vine,
we are the branches,
keep us abiding in you.**

**Then we'll grow in your love,
then we'll go in your name,
that the world will surely know
that you have power to heal and to save.**

**You are the Vine,
we are the branches,
keep us abiding in you.**

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 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 in your mercy’ would you please respond ‘**Here our prayer**’. *And at the end*

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

Prayers of Penitence

The Divine Gardener cannot sow seeds of justice and peace
where there is nothing but hearts of dry, hard rocks.
We confess that our hearts may need tilling
and the digging out of the deeply rooted sins
that crowd out seedlings planted with divine compassion.

God of steadfast love,
you change bitter tears of remorseful hearts
with raindrops of mercy.
All Now let us germinate a new life, growing with integrity.

God of steadfast love, you change the cold shame of contrite hearts
with sunrises of mercy

All Now let us sprout a new life, growing with honesty.

God of steadfast love,
you change the stony edges of repentant hearts
into landscapes of mercy,

All Now let us branch out into new life, growing with generosity.

A period of silence for reflection and prayer

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 are welcomed from their worship and notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said
'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia.

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

All and also with you. Alleluia.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace by acknowledging everyone saying
'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*)

**I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.**

**I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

**I, the Lord of snow and rain.
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them,
they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.,
I will set a feast for them.
my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

Preparation of the Table

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

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ, our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

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 do join in with the singing of the hymn

**O food to pilgrims given,
O bread of life from heaven,
O manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
nor thy delights deny us,
whose hearts to thee draw nigh.**

**O stream of love past telling,
O purest fountain, welling
from out the Saviour's side!
We faint with thirst; revive us,
of thine abundance give us,
and all we need provide.**

**O Jesus, by thee bidden,
we here adore thee, hidden
in forms of bread and wine.
Grant, when the veil is riven,
we may behold, in heaven,
thy countenance divine.**

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

**O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou forever near me,
my Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my Guide.**

**O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control!
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul!**

**O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend!**

**O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

All In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia.

NOTICES

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.

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 today's service at St John's, 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.

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.

BAPTISM VERGERS - Would you be willing to go on a rota to be one of the vergers at our Baptism Services at St John's? It would be great to add a couple more people to the three we already have. The role is not difficult but an important one as you welcome people into Church who, often have no or little Church connection, so you could be the first Christian they meet! The role includes giving out service sheets, showing them where the facilities are, keeping an eye out for children and making sure they have colouring sheets if needed and generally helping the clergy run the service. Normally the services are at 2pm with occasionally another one at 3.15pm. If you want to know more about this role please see Canon Sandra after this service.

MID-WEEK COMMUNION - There will be a service at 12noon at St James's Church on Wednesday 1st May. 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. Envelopes will be available from the 5th May for your donation together with a devotional booklet for use during Christian Aid week.

CHRISTIAN AID - exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. With your support, more families can build reliable and diverse incomes that bring them food security, better health, safer homes, increased resilience, and hope. To donate by BACS into the parish account use the reference **C AID**, or text **MAYCHRISTIANAID** followed by your donation amount to **70085** to give that amount. Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message. For further information about Christian Aid's work please have a look at their website <https://www.christianaid.org.uk>.

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