Parish of Sanderstead and Hamsey Green All Saints' Church, Sanderstead

PARISH EUCHARIST

Sunday 1st August 2021, 9th Sunday after Trinity



Proclaiming Jesus
Changing lives
Serving our Community

We welcome +Jonathan, Bishop of Croydon, as our preacher and celebrant this morning. We meet in the name of Jesus Christ and share His peace and joy.

Today's service is also being live-streamed. If you are watching this at home and would like to take part in Communion, why not light a candle and prepare a table so we can all participate at the appropriate moment.

If you would like to know more about our church, and the Christian faith, please do get in touch with either Revd Canon Martin Greenfield or Revd Jeremy Groombridge - our contact details are on the website (https://www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk/).

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

Hymn

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

great things he hath done; so loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord! let the earth hear his voice; praise the Lord, praise the Lord! let the people rejoice:
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory; great things he hath done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! to ev'ry believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Frances Jane van Alstyne (Fanny J. Crosby) (1820-1915)

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

And also with you.

Preparation. This prayer is said.

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.

Psalm 86:1-13

A prayer of David

- ¹ Hear me, Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.
- ² Guard my life, for I am faithful to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God;
- ³ have mercy on me, Lord, for I call to you all day long.
- ⁴ Bring joy to your servant, Lord, for I put my trust in you.
- ⁵ You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you.
- ⁶ Hear my prayer, Lord; listen to my cry for mercy.
- When I am in distress, I call to you, because you answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.
- ⁹ All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.
- For you are great and do marvellous deeds; you alone are God.
- 11 Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

¹² I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name for ever.

13 For great is your love towards me; you have delivered me from the depths, from the realm of the dead.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever.

Amen

Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord; You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength'.

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself'.
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen. Lord, have mercy

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

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.

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' - SUNG

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

The special prayer (Collect) for Today

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church, open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Liturgy of the Word

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-16

Unity and maturity in the body of Christ

4 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. ⁸ This is why it says:

'When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people.'

⁹ (What does 'he ascended' mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? ¹⁰ He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) ¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: John 6:24-35

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

²⁴ Once the crowd realised that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

Jesus the bread of life

- ²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, 'Rabbi, when did you get here?'
- ²⁶ Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷ Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.'
- ²⁸ Then they asked him, 'What must we do to do the works God requires?'
- ²⁹ Jesus answered, 'The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.'
- ³⁰ So they asked him, 'What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."'
- ³² Jesus said to them, 'Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'
- 34 'Sir,' they said, 'always give us this bread.'
- ³⁵ Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Anthem by the choir: 'Of the glorious body telling' - Plainsong

- 1. Of the glorious body telling. O my tongue its mysteries sing; and the blood, all price excelling, which the world's eternal King in a spotless womb once dwelling, shed for this world's ransoming.
- 2. Word made flesh, by word he maketh bread his very flesh to be; we in wine Christ's blood partaketh; and if senses fail to see, faith alone the true heart waketh to behold the mystery.

The Creed

The Nicene Creed

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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 Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used: Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

These prayers end with...

Merciful Father

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

The priest greets the people in peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ, who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn

BE STILL, FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD,

the Holy One, is here;
Come, bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
In him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned: How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of Light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place; He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace - No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

David J Evans (b. 1957)

The table is prepared

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. You bring forth bread from the earth **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. You create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer B)

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

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.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us, and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

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.

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.

Christ is the bread of life:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

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 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.

Let us pray

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
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.

The president breaks the consecrated bread

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.

The Invitation

Christ welcomes you to his table. Draw near with faith.

The choir leads the singing of...

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.

The Holy Communion is distributed. Everyone is invited. All who receive Holy Communion in their own churches are welcome. The stewards will guide you. If you do not wish to receive Communion bow your head for a prayer of blessing.

Prayer after Communion

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Any notices and announcements.

A Hymn

SUMMONED BY THE GOD WHO MADE US

rich in our diversity, gathered in the name of Jesus, richer still in unity.

> Let us bring the gifts that differ and, in splendid, varied ways, sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise.

Trust the goodness of creation; trust the Spirit strong within. Dare to dream the vision promised, sprung from seed of what has been.

Draw together at one table, all the human family; shape a circle ever wider and a people ever free.

Delores Dufner OSB

Prayer of God's Blessing

Go now, and love one another, because love is from God. Proclaim God's salvation to every generation. Remain in Jesus Christ.

May the love of Jesus sustain you, the joy of Jesus fill you, and the power of Jesus strengthen you. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

God of Hope and Love Prayer

God of hope and love,

You have called us to proclaim the saving power of the name of Jesus Christ throughout our neighbourhood, sharing the Good News of his love which changes our lives.

We offer ourselves in service to you and seek your guidance.

As we worship, learn, tell and serve,
May we know the power of your Spirit among us;
May our homes and our churches be places of welcome and safety;
May many come to know the forgiveness and peace that are found in Jesus alone;

May we find joy as we follow him day by day, with courage to speak out against injustice, a willing spirit to reach out and care for one another and for our community, and a new respect for the beautiful world in which you have placed us;

May your kingdom come, your will be done and your love be known by all.

In Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Dismissal

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

Organ Voluntary: Anon (18th century)

Please remain seated until the stewards guide you to exit the church safely.

A collection plate is available near the north door exit for loose cash and envelopes.

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In these difficult times All Saints would greatly appreciate your help to continue our work for God in the community. If you are able to, please consider making a donation. You could make a BACS transfer to Sanderstead All Saints PCC sort code: 557030 account no: 34786996 with your name as the reference or, visit the website and click the donate button where you can make your donation by card. If you would like someone to collect your gift please let the office know and this can be arranged. If you would like help in giving, contact the Parish Office, Tel: 020 8657 0665. Thank you for your generous gifts.

Michael Turner

Hon. Treasurer, Sanderstead All Saints PCC

