Parish of Sanderstead and Hamsey Green

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All Saints' Church, Sanderstead

FAMILY SERVICE, WITH HOLY COMMUNION

9.30 am Sunday 23rd January 2022



Welcome, in the name of Jesus Christ, to All Saints' Church today - whether you are with us in person or watching this service online.

Today we bid "Farewell" to Martin and Emma Greenfield. After 9 years in Sanderstead, they are retiring to Chichester. This is our opportunity to thank God for everything they have done here in Sanderstead, and to wish them well for the future.

Please wait in silence and prepare for worship. You may find it helpful to reflect on the words of our first hymn: "Great is thy faithfulness" and give thanks for Martin's ministry here over the years.

Welcome and Introduction

HYMN: Great is thy faithfulness



GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS, O GOD MY FATHER,

there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided, great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Thomas Obadiah Chisholm (1866-1960) © 1951 Hope Publishing Co.

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. The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.

Let us confess our sins to almighty God.

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'

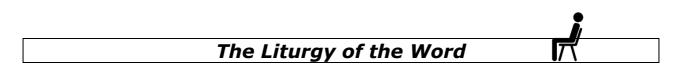
Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

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 Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen.



Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-12

All the people came together as one in the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the teacher of the Law to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded for Israel.

² So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand. ³ He read it aloud from daybreak till noon as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could understand. And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. ⁵ Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. ⁶ Ezra praised the Lord, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen! Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground.

⁸ They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read.

⁹ Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is holy to the Lord your God. Do not mourn or weep." For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law.

¹⁰ Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

¹¹ The Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be still, for this is a holy day. Do not grieve."

¹² Then all the people went away to eat and drink, to send portions of food and to celebrate with great joy, because they now understood the words that had been made known to them.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Hymn: In Christ Alone



IN CHRIST ALONE my hope is found,

He is my light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand.

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In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again. And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand. Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Stuart Townend

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:14-30



Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.
¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom.

He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,

because he has anointed me

to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind,

to set the oppressed free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked.
²³ Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me:

'Physician, heal yourself!' And you will tell me, 'Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.'"

²⁴ "Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶ Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷ And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian."

²⁸ All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Address

The Apostles' Creed

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

We 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.

We 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.

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 priest greets the people in peace

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end. The peace of the Lord be always with you, **And also with you.**



PRAISE TO THE LORD, the Almighty, the King of creation;

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation: all ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth: hast thou not seen how thy heart's wishes have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;

surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee: ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if to the end he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen sound from his people again: gladly for ay we adore him.

Joachim Neander (1650-1680) trans. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

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

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 E)

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.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and say our joyful hymn of praise:

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.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said, Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving 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 priest breaks the consecrated bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Invitation

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the Glory of God the Father.

These words are said:

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.

If you would prefer to partake in just one form - a wafer - please indicate by saying "one" to the Priest. If you would like both bread and wine please say "both" and the Priest will then dip your wafer in the wine and place it in your hands.

Time of Quiet

Prayer after Communion

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.

Prayer of God's Blessing

May Christ the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXDGE IRIOE

BLESS THE LORD O MY SOUL

O my soul Worship His Holy name Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up It's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass And whatever lies before me Let me be singing When the evening comes

You're rich in love And You're slow to anger Your name is great And Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons For my heart to find.

And on that day When my strength is failing The end draws near And my time has come Still my soul will Sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years And then forevermore

Matt Redman $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ 2011 Thankyou Music

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen. *Organ Voluntary: Toccata from Toccata & Fugue in D Minor by J S Bach.*

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NOTICES for Sunday 23rd January 2022

Sunday 30 January – Special Moments in 2021

9.30am All Age Eucharist

Please do join in this All-Age Eucharist service on 30th January - there will be something for everyone regardless of age or background. As part of this service, we will be showing images of "Special Moments in 2021".

Please send **any special photographic memories** (together with a bit of explanatory text) to Revd Jeremy, at jeremy@sanderstead-parish.org.uk If you would prefer to read out **a special memory or experience** from last year rather than send a photograph then please let Jeremy know and he will make sure it is included! This is an opportunity to share with others what your journey over the past year has been like.

Saturday 5 March: Church Away Day

We have booked the Church of the Good Shepherd, Carshalton on Saturday 5th March, 10am – 4pm for our Church Away Day. Please save the date.

