

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



PARISH EUCHARIST

Sunday 20 February 2022

2nd Sunday before Lent

“Pause” and wait on God

Proclaiming Jesus, Changing Lives, Serving our Community

Welcome, in Jesus' name, to this Eucharist service - whether you are in church physically, or participating in this service on-line, it is a joy to be together to worship the God who longs to transform our lives. Today's theme continues our "Reboot" series and focuses on the "Pause" button on our computer keyboard. We welcome Bishop David Atkinson who will preach about "Waiting on God".

If you are at home, you may wish to prepare a table with bread and wine in readiness for Communion.

If you need a gluten-free Communion wafer, speak to one of the stewards.

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith, please contact Revd Jeremy Groombridge. He can be contacted via the website www.sanderstead-parish.org.uk and will be only too happy to speak with you.

Please wait quietly as we gather and prepare for worship. You may find it helpful to read Psalm 65, which we will say together as we worship.

Introduction and Opening Prayer



Hymn: Let us with a gladsome mind

LET US, WITH A GLADSOME MIND,
praise the LORD, for He is kind:

*for His mercies ay endure,
ever faithful, ever sure.*

Let us blaze His Name abroad,
for of gods, He is the God:

He, with all-commanding might
filled the new-made world with light:

He the golden-tressèd sun
Caused all day His course to run:

And the moon to shine at night,
'mid her starry sisters bright:

All things living, He doth feed;
His full hand supplies their need:

John Milton (1608-1674) based on Psalm 136

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the Universe.
**From the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord of glory be with you.
The Lord bless 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.**

Prayers of Penitence

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.

Silence is kept

God be gracious to us and bless us,
and make your face shine upon us:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth,
your saving power among the nations:
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life, 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 minister leads us in the special prayer (the 'Collect') for today

**Almighty God,
You have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns
supreme over all things,
now and for ever.
Amen.**



Psalm 65

¹ Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion;
to you our vows will be fulfilled.

² **You who answer prayer,
to you all people will come.**

³ When we were overwhelmed by sins,
you forgave our transgressions.

⁴ **Blessed are those you choose
and bring near to live in your courts!
We are filled with the good things of your house,
of your holy temple.**

⁵ You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds,
God our Saviour,
the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas,

**⁶ who formed the mountains by your power,
having armed yourself with strength,**

⁷ who stilled the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
and the turmoil of the nations.

**⁸ The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders;
where morning dawns, where evening fades,
you call forth songs of joy.**

⁹ You care for the land and water it;
you enrich it abundantly.
The streams of God are filled with water
to provide the people with grain,
for so you have ordained it.

**¹⁰ You drench its furrows and level its ridges;
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.**

¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty,
and your carts overflow with abundance.

**¹² The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;
the hills are clothed with gladness.**

¹³ The meadows are covered with flocks
and the valleys are mantled with grain;
they shout for joy and sing.

**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**

The Liturgy of the Word



Elijah Flees to Horeb

19 Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever

so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them.”

³ Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, ⁴ while he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. “I have had enough, Lord,” he said. “Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.” ⁵ Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep.

All at once an angel touched him and said, “Get up and eat.” ⁶ He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.

⁷ The angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, “Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you.” ⁸ So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he travelled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. ⁹ There he went into a cave and spent the night.

The Lord Appears to Elijah

And the word of the Lord came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

¹⁰ He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

¹¹ The Lord said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. ¹² After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Romans 8:18-25

Present Suffering and Future Glory

¹⁸ I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 8:22-25



Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus Calms the Storm

²² One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and set out. ²³ As they sailed, he fell asleep. A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger.

²⁴ The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!"

He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. ²⁵ "Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples.

In fear and amazement, they asked one another, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him."

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

The Sermon



Anthem - sung by the Choir

I waited for the Lord - F. Mendelssohn (opening section, arr J. Jones)

*I waited for the Lord; he inclined unto me; he heard my complaint.
O blessed are they that hope and trust in the Lord.*



The Apostles' 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.**



Any suitable form may be used

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

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.
The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

We greet those next to us with a sign of peace.



O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING,

we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honour and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour,
accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favour
may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows
and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty
and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty
our sacrifice of praise.

Michael Perry (1942)

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.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,
unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.
And though the night will overtake this day
you summon us to live in endless light,
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so with choirs of angels,
with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending song 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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
Dying, you destroyed our death,
Rising, you restored our life;
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

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

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light
and life.**

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 sung:

**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 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. When receiving communion, it is customary to say 'Amen' as you receive the elements.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward with your head bowed for a prayer of blessing.

Time of Quiet

<i>Prayers after Communion</i>

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through 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.

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.**



DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND,

forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise, in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee, rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love! interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace, the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm, O still small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary: March from 'Athalia' - F. Mendelssohn



NOTICES for Sunday 20 February 2022

Rector's Office

This week, Rosanne will be working Mon, Tues and Wed (not Thursday).

Parish Prayer - Saturday 26 February

9.00am *Parish Prayer on zoom*

Six Nations Rugby – Saturday 26 February, 4.30pm

The Men's Group will be watching the England vs Wales rugby match on **Saturday 26th February** in St Catherine's Aisle. Kick-off is at 4.45pm so please arrive from 4.30pm. Refreshments will be provided but please let Tony Robinson (Tonyofsanderstead@gmail.com) or David Chillman (david.chillman@btinternet.com) know if you would like to come. All are welcome.

Family Worship and Communion - Sunday 27 February

9.30am *Theme "Delete" – sins forgiven in Christ. Speaker – Anne Fixter*

Ash Wednesday Communion - Wednesday 2 March

8.00pm *Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return*



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – Friday 4 March, 12 noon

12pm *World Day of Prayer service at All Saints Church.*

The theme this year is "I know the plans I have for you." Refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

CHURCH AWAY DAY - Saturday 5 March

This is your opportunity to have a say in shaping the future of our Parish! We are all invited to join together at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Queen Mary's Avenue, Carshalton, Surrey, SM5 4NP on 5 March for a day to begin the process of discerning God's will for a future incumbent in our parish.

Let Rosanne know whether you can come by no later than close, **Monday 28 February**; either sign up on the ChurchSuite link (in email sent on Thurs 3rd Feb or on website) or telephone the Parish Office on Tel: 020 8657 0665. This is really important for enabling us to plan the event.