The Parish Church of All Saints' Sanderstead

PARISH EUCHARIST

Sunday 23rd August 2020 11th after Trinity



Extending God's Welcome to All.

Committed to Grow – in Discipleship, Service and Numbers

A sincere welcome, in the name of Jesus Christ!

The Psalmist says: 'I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord" '(Psalm 122:1). After a long period during which we have been unable to meet physically, we have come to worship together this morning, to experience the joy of fellowship with one another, and to receive God's blessing. Many of our number will not be able to join us this morning, so this service will be recorded and loaded onto our YouTube channel later today.

Today we will be thinking about Jesus' declaration to Peter: "On this rock I will build my church..."

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

Please wait in silence and prepare for worship. By way of preparation, you may wish to pray: "Open my heart to the riches of your grace, so that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace".

Opening Hymn (please stand) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PfXldoDnvq4

LET ALL THE WORLD IN EV'RY CORNER SING,

my God and King!
The heav'ns are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
my God and King!

[cont.]

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King! The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King!

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

And also with you.

A prayer of thanksgiving for the re-opening of All Saints' Church

Almighty God,
we praise you for the many blessings
you have given to those who worship you
in this house of prayer:
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being
filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Preparation. We say together:

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

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.

May the Father forgive you by the death of his Son and strengthen you to live in the power of the Spirit all your days.

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

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Old Testament Reading (please be seated)

Exodus 1:8-2.10

Then a new king, to whom Joseph meant nothing, came to power in Egypt. "Look," he said to his people, "the Israelites have become far too numerous for us. Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country."

So they put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labor, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread; so the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites and worked them ruthlessly. They made their lives bitter with harsh labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their harsh labor the Egyptians worked them ruthlessly. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, "When you are helping the Hebrew women during childbirth on the delivery stool, if you see that the baby is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live." The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, "Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?"

The midwives answered Pharaoh, "Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive." So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own.

Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every Hebrew boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live."

Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?"

"Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading (please stand)

Matthew 16:13-20

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

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

The Sermon

The Creed - You are invited to stand

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. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

The Prayers of Intercession

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 Peace

The priest greets the people in peace

Seek and work for peace: peace in your heart, peace in your spirit, peace in your mind, peace in your home. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament



The following may be said:
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 H)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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 right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us. He opened his arms of love on the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;

do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voices to join the eternal song of heaven:

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.

Let us pray
You are invited to sit or kneel

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

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

The Communion will be in one kind only (bread wafer. Please wait for the stewards to guide you to go forward.

If you do not wish to receive Communion bow your head for a prayer of blessing. When receiving communion, it is customary to say 'Amen' as you receive the bread.

Time of Quiet, with reflective music.

Prayer after Communion

Lord of all mercy,

we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion, keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; 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 you be transformed into the likeness of Christ hour by hour, day by day And may the Lord renew and refresh you.

And the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FHCqXL3mCwU

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is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one through all the earth; her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food; and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three-in-One; and mystic, sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we, like them the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

Dismissal

Eternal light, shine into our hearts, eternal goodness, deliver us from evil, eternal power be our support, eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance, eternal pity, have mercy upon us; that with all our heart and mind and soul and strength we may seek your face and be brought by your infinite mercy to your holy presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Alcuin of York 735-804)

Now go out from this place to love and serve the Lord In the name of Christ, Amen

Closing Music - please remain seated until the stewards direct everyone out of the building through the NORTH door.

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