

The Parish Church of All Saints', Sanderstead

Extending God's Welcome to All.

Committed to Grow – in Discipleship, Service and Numbers

PARISH EUCHARIST

Sunday 20th September 2020, Trinity 15



We give you a warm welcome to this morning's service, in the name of Jesus Christ. Today's service is led by Revd Jeremy Groombridge, and if this is your first visit here, or if you would like to know more about the Christian life, please do make yourself known to him or Canon Martin Greenfield. Contact details are on the website, Sanderstead-parish.org.uk

Today, we will be thinking about God's generosity...and justice.

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

The flowers at the Lectern are in loving memory of Chris, who died on 17 September 1974, his father Don who died on 1 September 2010 and his mother Joyce who died on 18 August 2017 from Nicholas, Sharron and Emily Stokes.

Please wait in silence and prepare for worship. You may wish to reflect on the words of our first hymn as you come to bring your praise and thanksgiving to Him.

HYMN You are invited to stand for the Hymn (sung by the Choir)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0YAvyk2IQho>

FOR THE FRUIT OF HIS CREATION,

thanks be to God;
for the gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God;
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done;
in our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of his Spirit,
thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

Fred Pratt Green (b. 1903)

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.**

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' (Sung by the Choir)

**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, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
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.**

The Liturgy of the Word *Please be seated for the Bible Reading*

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16:2-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

⁴ Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt,⁷ and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?' ⁸And Moses said, 'When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.'

⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining."'¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God."'

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.'

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

New Testament Reading: Philippians 1:21-end

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— ³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

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

¹For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard.

³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went.

⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others

standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?"

⁷They said to him, "Because no one has hired us."

He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard."

⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first."

⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat."

¹³But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?"

¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

The Sermon

Following which the choir sings: Teach us good Lord

The Apostles Creed (You are invited to stand)

**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

Jesus Christ is our Saviour

Jesus Christ is our Lord

Jesus Christ is our peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

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 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 Holy Communion is distributed in one form only (bread wafer: 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. When receiving communion, it is customary to say 'Amen' as you receive the bread and wine.

Time of Quiet

Prayers after Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;
and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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.

Hymn (sung by Choir)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3K1QVvE_QA

FORTH IN THY NAME, O LORD, I GO,
my daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know
in all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
in all my works thy presence find,
and prove thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes mine inmost substance see,
and labour on at thy command,
and offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
and every moment watch and pray;
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to thy glorious day.

For thee delightfully employ
whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given;
and run my course with even joy,
and closely walk with thee to heaven.

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Dismissal

Go out from this place and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ, Amen

Final Voluntary: Trumpet Tune (Purcell)