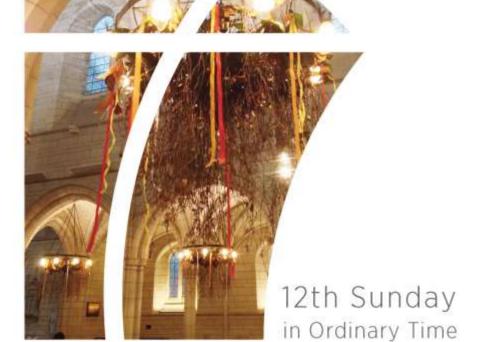


A spirited place where people stand, connect and seek common ground

SUNDAY JUNE

2021



At any time in the service when we invite you to stand you are welcome to remain seated if you need to.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus calls us! - in the tumult of our life's wild restless sea; day by day his voice re-echoes saying, "Christian, follow me!"

As of old, apostles heard it by the Galilean lake, turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us – from the worship of the vain world's golden store, from each rival that would claim us, saying, "Christian, love me more!"

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these!"

Jesus calls us! - by your mercies, Saviour, make us hear your call, give to you our heart's obedience, serve and love you best of all.

> Words: Cecil F. Alexander (1818-1895) Tune: St Andrew, E. H. Thorne (1834-1916) Source: Hymns for Today's Church 104

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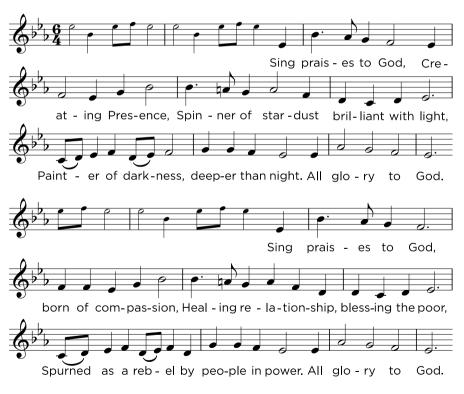
Grace and peace to you from God. God fill you with truth and joy.

Liturgist:

Be with us, Spirit of God; for nothing can separate us from your love. Breathe on us, breath of God; and fill us with your loving presence. Speak in us, wisdom of God; and bring strength, healing and peace.

God of our days and years, we set this time apart to be still. Form us in the likeness of Christ so that our lives may reflect you. Amen. 1

THE GLORIA



¹ Church of England



Words: Jenny Blood. Music: Michael Bell

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Please be seated.

Liturgist:

We come seeking forgiveness and wholeness for ourselves and for our world.

FORGIVENESS

1st time CANTOR, 2nd time ALL



[Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy]

² Ian Render, Tune: Newlands Road, FFS 13

Silence

God of life, in our indifference and helplessness we destroy your creation; we condone violence and ignore suffering; we do not act with compassion and justice. Breathe on us, God, this day, that we might be whole again. ³

Priest: God forgives us, forgive others, forgive yourself.

THE SENTENCE AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

Mark 4:41

Jesus, Saviour in storm, when the waters of the deep are broken up, when the landmarks are washed away, still the chaos for us and bring rest to all creation Amen. ⁴

PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32

Chant: Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

'O give thanks, for the Lord is gracious, God's steadfast love endures for ever.'

So let the people say whom the Lord has redeemed, whom the Lord has redeemed from the hand of the enemy, and gathered out of the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Those who go down to the sea in ships and ply their trade on great waters, they have seen your works O Lord and the wonders you do in the deep.

³ Jenny Blood

⁴ NZPB p 568

At your command the stormy wind arose and lifted up the waves. They were carried up to the sky, and down again to the depths, their courage melted away in their peril.

They reeled to and fro, and staggered as if drunken, their seafaring skill was utterly without avail. Then they cried to you O Lord in their trouble, and you rescued them from their distress.

You made the storm be still, and the roaring waves were hushed. Then they were glad because it was calm, and so you brought them to the harbour where they had longed to be.

Let them thank you O Lord for your steadfast love, for the wonders that you do for us.

Let them extol you in the assembly of the people and praise you in the council of elders.

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN

Beautiful presence, how can we name you? Words are too small for the one who is all. How can we speak of your gentleness in us, the warmth of our hearts in response to your call?

Beautiful presence, ocean of love, strong as forever, soft as a dove. Words often fail us, but this we know true, you live within us as we live in you. There have been times of spiritual blindness, when error and pain have distorted our sight. Beautiful presence, you were there with us, to show us how darkness can turn into light.

Beautiful presence, ocean of love, strong as forever, soft as a dove. Words often fail us, but this we know true, you live within us as we live in you.

Nothing that happens to us will be wasted, all of our living is grounded in grace. Gently you take down the walls of division, leading us on to a larger place.

Beautiful presence, ocean of love...

Words: Joy Cowley Tune: Beautiful Presence, Barry Brinson. HioS 9

THE GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of Christ according to Mark chapter four, beginning at verse thirty-five.



Mark 4:35-41

This is the Gospel of Christ.



⁵ Music: Michael Bell

THE SERMON

SILENCE

ANTHEM

They that go down to the sea in ships

Herbert Sumsion (1889-1995)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist:

Let us pray for those far and near, people and places, powerful and powerless, all for whom we are concerned.

THE PEACE

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou.

A ki a koe ano hoki.

[The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.] Please turn and greet those around you with peace.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN 6

Words: William Hubert Vanstone (1923-1999) Tune: Song 13, melody and bass by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625). WOV 270



⁶ During this hymn there is a collection to support St Matthew's; for electronic giving option: text **stmatthew** to **818** to make a fast one off or ongoing donation by credit card to St Matthew-in-the-City. Or you can download the PUSHPAY app from Apple Store or Google Playstore and search for St Matthew-in-the-City.



THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

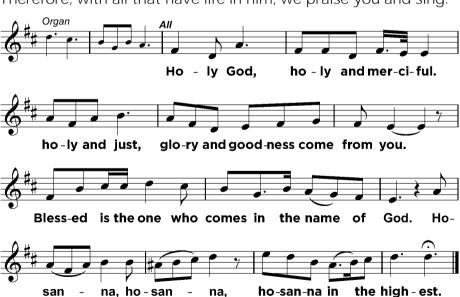


It is right to give you thanks, Creator of all, for your voice alone brought light and life to birth when all began. You called each one of us to be, and named us with the name that you alone could speak. You called us to be lovers of creation, and to care for each other as you had cared for us.

But we betrayed your trust and we in turn became the victims of betrayal. The bond of trust became the bondage of division: male and female, Jew and Gentile, slave and free, oppressor and oppressed.

Yet you in your love did not desert us, but instead Jesus came among us to seek us out, to gather in the lost and outcast. He threw open the doors of freedom, casting out the darkness of our hearts and greeting us as God's beloved friends and children.

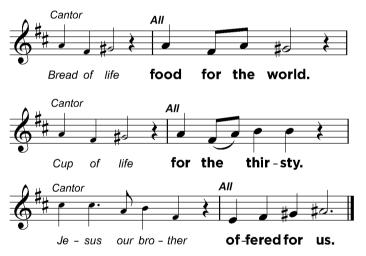
In place of judgment, Jesus gave us compassion; in place of condemnation, healing.
And even as he came to share our suffering, he called us to be witnesses, to follow in the way that led to the cross; and to see with our own eyes the depths of your forgiveness. Therefore, with all that have life in him, we praise you and sing:



On the night before he died, our friend and brother Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to the disciples and said: "Drink of 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, loving God, we offer this bread and wine, giving thanks for his death and resurrection:



Now, as was promised, send us your loving Spirit, that this bread and this cup may represent the life-giving presence of your Christ, and make us one in your covenant of love, proclaiming the freedom of new life, as together we sing: ⁷

⁷ The Great Thanksgiving is adapted from a service from St Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco

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Please be seated.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kua akona nei tātou e to tātou Ariki, ka inoi tātou:

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi, kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua, kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āianei he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara, me mātou hoki e muru nei, i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia; engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria, Āke. ake. Āmine.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body,

for we all share the one bread.

We sing three times:



THE INVITATION

Haere mai e te kahui a te Atua, tangohia enei kai rangatira a te Karaiti.

Come, bringing your varied faiths and backgrounds, for all are welcome to share in this act of communion.

All are welcome to come and receive the bread and wine; there are gluten free wafers, just ask the serving priest.

There is a chalice for dipping - simply hold the bread in front of you to signify your choice.

If you do not wish to take communion you may come forward for a blessing.

If the stairs are a barrier please sit in the front pews and communion will be brought to you.

Te Taro o te Ora. The bread of life. Te Kapu o te Ora. The cup of salvation.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Nunc dimittis in D

George Dyson (1883-1964)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, whom we know in love and graciousness, we accept with gratitude all that lies within this sacred feast.

May we carry into the world the bread which brings life and the wine of compassion for all who wait in longing. This we pray in your name. Amen. 8

⁸ Dorothy McRae-McMahon "Liturgies for High Days", p. 126

THE BLESSING

NOTICES

FINAL HYMN

Creating God, your fingers trace the bold designs of farthest space; let sun and moon, and stars and light, and what lies hidden, praise your might.

Sustaining God, your hands uphold earth's mysteries known or yet untold; let water's fragile blend with air, enabling life, proclaim your care.

Redeeming God, your arms embrace all now despised for creed or race; let peace, descending like a dove, make known on earth your healing love.

Indwelling God, your gospel claims one family with a billion names; let every life be touched by grace until we praise you face to face.

Words: Jeffery W. Rowthorn (b. 1934) Tune: Truro, melody from Thomas Williams' 'Psalmodia Evangelica', Part II, 1789. TiS 84

Deacon from the rear of the Church:

Go now for the Spirit of God is alive in the land.

Amen. We go in the power of love.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fuge op. 59, no. 6

Max Reger (1873-1916)

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