



CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA

Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2020

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## HOLY EUCHARIST - 7am & 9am

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### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Mass Setting:* RUTTER

ORGAN PRELUDE      *Vater unser in Himmelreich* - Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

INTROIT HYMN (TIS 59)

Tune: OLD 100th

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:  
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;  
come ye before him and rejoice.**
- 2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make:  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.**
- 3 O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.**
- 4 For why the Lord our God is good;  
his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.**

William Kethe d.1594 *alt.*  
Psalm 100*liebster jesu*

*The president greets the assembly*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.**

Let us pray.

**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.**

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength’ Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.  
As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,  
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Lord, we have sinned in thought, word and deed:  
Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy.**

We are truly sorry and we ask you to forgive us;  
Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy.**

Help us by your spirit to live in newness of life:  
Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy.**

*The Absolution*

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith,  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and  
keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA *(sung by all at 9am)*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's 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 MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### Prayer of the Day

Everliving God, before the earth was formed, and even after it shall cease to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life and show us those things that are eternal, that we may serve your purpose in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Zephaniah 1.7, 12-18*

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.' Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Hear the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 90:1-18, 12**

*(sung by the choir at 9am)*

Chant – John Fenstermaker

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge:  
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were born  
or the earth and the world were brought to be:  
from eternity to eternity you are God.
- 3 You turn us back into dust:  
saying 'Return to dust, O children of Adam.'
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday passing:  
or like one watch of the night.
- 5 You cut them short like a dream:  
like the fresh grass of the morning;
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes:  
at evening it is withered and dried up.
- 7 And we are consumed by your anger:  
because of your indignation we cease to be.
- 8 You have brought our iniquities before you:  
and our secret sins to the light of your countenance.
- 12 Teach us so to number our days:  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**The HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 25.14-20*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew:

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, “The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money.

After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents.

For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord,  
**praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**The SERMON**

*Fr. Michael*

ORGAN REFLECTION: *Liebster Jesu*, op.78/11 - Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

*Dearest Jesus, we are here to listen to your word,  
direct our minds and desires to the teachings of heaven,  
may our earthly hearts be wholly drawn to you.*

## **The NICENE CREED**

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

*At the conclusion of the prayers:*

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to 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.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.

**His spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**OFFERTORY HYMN (TIS 606, t.153)**

Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH

- 1 Son of God, eternal Saviour,  
source of life and truth and grace,  
Son of Man, whose birth incarnate  
hallows all our human race,  
Christ our Head, who, throned in glory  
for your own will ever plead,  
fill us with your love and pity,  
heal our wrongs and help our needs.**
  
- 2 As you, Lord, have lived for others  
so may we for others live;  
freely have your gifts been granted,  
freely may your servants give:**

**Yours the gold and yours the silver,  
yours the wealth of sea and land,  
we but stewards of your bounty  
held in trust as from your hand.**

**3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,  
King of love and Prince of peace,  
hush the storm of strife and passion,  
bid its cruel discords cease;  
by your patient years of toiling,  
by your silent hours of pain,  
quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,  
shame our selfish greed of gain.**

**4 Son of God, eternal Saviour,  
source of life and truth and grace,  
Son of Man, whose birth incarnate  
hallows all our human race,  
in your love you prayed the Father  
that your people should be one:  
grant, O Christ, our hope's fruition,  
here on earth your will be done.**

Somerset Corry Lowry (1855-1932), *alt.*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**



Loving God,

We thank you for this world of wonder and delight.

You have given it to us to care for,

so that all your creatures may enjoy its bounty.

Lord our God,

**We give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you that when we turned away from you,

you sent Jesus to live and work as one of us,

and bring us back to you.

He showed us how to love you

and set us free to love and serve one another.

Lord our God,

**We give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you that on the cross

Jesus took away our sin,

all that keeps us from each other and from you.

he frees us from hate and fear,

from all that destroys love and trust.

Lord our God,

**We give you thanks and praise.**

And so with everyone who believes in you,

with all the saints and angels,

we rejoice and praise you, singing:

**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.**

And now we thank you

for these gifts of bread and wine;

may we who receive them, as Jesus said,

share his body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread

and gave you thanks.

He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said,

‘Take and eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.’

After supper he took the cup  
and gave you thanks.  
He shared the cup with them and said,  
'This is my blood poured out  
so that the sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

You have gathered us together  
to feed on Christ  
and to remember all he has done for us:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Fill us with your Spirit  
that we may follow Jesus in all we do and say,  
working for justice and bringing your peace  
to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

As this broken bread was once many grains,  
which have been gathered together and made one bread:  
**so may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth into your Kingdom.**

AGNUS DEI

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

*The priest and other communicants receive the Holy Communion.*

ORGAN MUSIC      *Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten* - Carl Meineke (1745-1824)

*Those who follow and always hope always in God will be wonderfully sustained through every trial.  
Who trusts in God has not built on sand.*

COMMUNION MOTET *Ave verum corpus* – William Byrd (1543-1623)

*Ave verum Corpus, natum de Mari Virgine: Vere passum immolatum  
in cruce pro homimine: Cuius latus perforatum, unda fluxit sanguine:*

*Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.*

*O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu Fili Mariae; Miserere mei. Amen.*

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary:  
You who suffered and was sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man.  
From whose pierced side flowed water and blood:  
Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O merciful,  
O Jesus, Son of Mary; Have mercy on me. Amen.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope.  
May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament,  
continue your saving work among us, give us courage for our pilgrimage,  
and bring us to the joys your promise.

Most loving God,  
**you send us into the world you love.**  
**Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage**  
**in the power of your Spirit.**

THANKSGIVING HYMN (AM 477, t. TIS 411)

Tune: WOODLANDS

- 1 Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake!  
God's saving news to all the nations take:  
proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord, and King,  
that all the world his worthy praise may sing.**
- 2 Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all;  
he will in grace respond to all who call:  
how shall they call if they have never heard  
the gracious invitation of his word?**
- 3 Go forth and tell! where still the darkness lies;  
in wealth or want, the sinner surely dies:  
give us, O Lord, concern of heart and mind,  
a love like yours which cares for humankind.**

- 4 Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide:  
share God's good gifts - let no one be denied;  
live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose,  
your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.**
- 5 Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise!  
go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies;  
go till all nations his great name adore  
and serve him, Lord and king for evermore.**

James E. Seddon (1915-83)

## THE NOTICES

### BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The love of God be in your heart,  
the peace of God be in your mind,  
the grace of God be in your dealings;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE     *Prælude in E – Vincent Lübeck (c.1654-1740)*

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