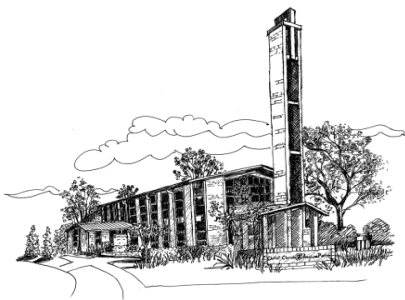


# CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

9am

*Second Sunday after Pentecost*



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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE Trio super: '*Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend*', BWV 655  
- J.S.Bach

INTROIT HYMN 560i

Tune: MICHAEL

- 1 All my hope on God is founded: all my trust he will renew,  
through all change and chance he guides me,  
only good and only true.  
God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.
- 2 Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust;  
all we build with care and labour, tower and temple, fall to dust.  
But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.
- 3 God's great goodness lasts forever,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought;  
splendour, light and life attend him, beauty springing out of naught.  
Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.
- 4 Daily the almighty giver will his bounteous gifts bestow;  
in his will our souls find pleasure, leading us where'er we go.  
Love will stand at his hand, joy shall wait for his command.
- 5 Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son.  
Hear Christ call one and all; those who follow shall not fall.

*Robert Bridges (1844–1930) alt., after Joachim Neander (1650–80)*

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

There is one body and one Spirit;  
**there is one hope in God's call to us.**  
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism,  
**one God and Father of all.**

### **Confession & Absolution**

Let us affirm our trust in God's mercy,  
and confess that we need forgiveness.

Lord God, you created this world, and made us in your own image.  
Forgive us when we turn away from you.

*Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

Lord God, through your Son you overcame evil and death.  
Rescue us from slavery to sin.

*Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.*

Lord God, by your Spirit, you restore us to fellowship with you  
and with one another. Breathe your love and freedom into our lives.

*Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins,  
and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

*The Gloria (sung by all)*

**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 Collect**

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Let us pray

Almighty God,  
give us such a vision of your purpose,  
and such an assurance of your love and power,  
that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in Jesus Christ our Lord;  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 3:8-15*

*Reader: A reading from the Book of Genesis*

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?'

He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.'

He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?'

The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?'

The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.'

The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

Hear the word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 130** (sung by the choir)

Chant – Walford Davies

*(The exclusive use of male pronouns to denote the Divine is a convention adopted by the translators. This incorrectly associates God with maleness and maleness with God. Please feel free to replace 'he' with a pronoun of your choice)*

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord:

Lord, hear my voice;

O let your ears consider well:

the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:

who then, O Lord, could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you:

so that you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him:

and in his word is my hope.

My soul looks for the Lord:

more than watchmen for the morning,

more, I say, than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy:

and with him is ample redemption.

He will redeem Israel:

from the multitude of their sins.

**New Testament Reading**

2 Corinthians 4.13-5.1

*Reader: A reading from the Second letter of Paul to the Corinthians*

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – 'I believed, and so I spoke' – we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence.

Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.

For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what

cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Hear the word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL HYMN 485**

Tune: ST PETER

- 1 My God, accept my heart this day,  
and make it still your own,  
that I from you no more may stray,  
but follow you alone.
- 2 Before the cross of him who died  
in penitence I fall;  
let every sin be crucified,  
and Christ be Lord of all.
- 3 Anoint me with your heavenly grace,  
and seal me for your own,  
that I may see your glorious face,  
and worship near your throne.
- 4 Let every thought and work and word  
to you be ever given;  
then life shall be your service, Lord,  
and death the gate of heaven.

*Matthew Bridges (1800-94) alt.*

*The Gospel Acclamation*



Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Choir: If anyone loves me, he will keep my word:  
And my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

All: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## The HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 3:20-35*

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

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.'

And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin' – for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him.

A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?'

And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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

**The Sermon:** Bishop John Roundhill

## The PRESENTATION

We welcome those who have come to be confirmed.

I invite their sponsors to present them now.

We present Matthew Reid, Alexandra Reid and Jessica Chong who come to be confirmed.

## The DECISION

Before God and this congregation, you must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Do you turn to Christ?

**I turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins?

**I repent of my sins.**

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

**I reject them all.**

Do you renounce Satan and all evil?

**I renounce all that is evil.**

Will you each, by God's grace, strive to live as a disciple of Christ, loving God with all your heart, and your neighbour as yourself, until your life's end?

**I will, with God's help.**

You have heard Matt, Addie and Jessica respond to Christ.

Will you support them?

**We will.**

Let us pray for those who have affirmed their baptism and are to receive the laying on of hands.

Merciful God, deliver them from all evil that they may walk in the way of truth and life;

Lord in your mercy

**hear our prayer.**

Open their hearts by the Holy Spirit to your grace and truth;

Lord in your mercy

**hear our prayer.**

Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church;  
Lord in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Send them into the world to witness to your love and justice;  
Lord in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

Bring them and us all into the fullness of your peace and glory;  
Lord in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

### The PROFESSION OF FAITH

I now ask you to affirm as yours the faith of the Church.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in God the Son?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

This is the faith of the Church.



**This is our faith:  
We believe in one God:  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## CONFIRMATION

Our help is in the name of the Lord  
**who made heaven and earth.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
**now, and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty and everliving God,  
you have given your servants  
new birth by water and the Spirit,  
and have forgiven them their sins.  
Strengthen them, we pray, with the Holy Spirit  
that they may grow in grace.  
Increase in them the spirit of wisdom  
and understanding,  
the spirit of discernment and inner strength,  
the spirit of knowledge and true godliness,  
and fill them with wonder and awe at your presence,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Those who are to be confirmed kneel before the bishop,  
who lays a hand upon each of them saying*

Strengthen, Lord, your servant, **Matthew, Alexandra and Jessica**  
with your Holy Spirit. Empower and sustain them for your service.  
**Amen.**

**Defend, O Lord, these your servants  
with your heavenly grace,  
that they may continue yours for ever,  
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more  
until they come to your everlasting kingdom.  
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.**

*We all exchange a COVID safe sign of peace.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN 547

Tune: SLANE

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;  
I ever with thee, thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father, thy child let me be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
- 3 Be thou my armour, my sword for the fight,  
be thou my dignity, thou my delight;  
thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower:  
raise thou me heaven-ward, O Power of my power.
- 4 Riches I scorn and the world's empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,  
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 5 High King of heaven, after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

*Gaelic c. 8<sup>th</sup> cent.  
tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931)  
versified by Eleanor Henrietta Hull (1860-1953) alt*

*The Prayer over the gifts*

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.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.  
We give you thanks and praise for your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup  
and again giving you thanks  
he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.'

In faith we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Christ has died;**

**Christ is risen;**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, we do as our Saviour has commanded:  
proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

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

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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 (sung by all)*

**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 COMMUNION**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Communicant Christians of other church traditions  
are invited also to receive Communion.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ORGAN: *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele - S.Karg-Elert (1877-1933)*

MOTET: *Here, O my Lord - Barry Rose (b.1934)*

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face,  
Here faith would touch and handle things unseen;  
Here grasp with firmer hand th' eternal grace,  
And all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God,  
Here drink with thee the royal wine of heav'n,  
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

I have no help but thine,  
nor do I need another arm save thin to lean upon;  
It is enough, my Lord, indeed,  
My strength is in thy might alone.

*Words: Horatius Bonar*

**Post-Communion Sentence** *(sung by the choir)*

God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God,  
and God abides in him.

## The SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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 you 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.**

All who have been baptised and confirmed are called to study the Bible,  
to take part in the life of the Church, to share in the Holy Communion,  
and to pray faithfully and regularly.

We are called to share with others, by word and example, the love of Christ and his gospel of reconciliation and hope. We are called to love our neighbours as ourselves, to honour all people and to pray and work for peace and justice. I invite all of you to commit yourselves anew to this calling.

**We will gladly do so, in the strength of the Holy Spirit.**

## THANKSGIVING HYMN

Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH

- 1 Here and now we're drawn together:  
hold us all in one embrace.  
Help us see, in one another,  
difference as a gift of grace.  
As each passing generation  
worships you in fresh new ways,  
join our songs with all creation,  
lift our voice to sing your praise.
- 2 Lord, affirm our shared vocation:  
may we bring your plans to birth,  
build a church on Christ's foundation,  
fit to tend a troubled earth.  
Growing, praying, sharing, learning,  
deep in wisdom, broad in scope,  
love-revealing, truth-discerning,  
living out the gospel hope.
- 3 In your work of transformation  
you are making all things new.  
Stir our hearts' imagination,  
call us now to work with you.  
As we live the Great Commission  
all will find their part to play:  
Send us out to share your mission,  
joyful in the world today.

*Ally Barrett*

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## THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world in peace;  
be of good courage;  
hold fast that which is good;  
render to no one evil for evil;  
strengthen the faint hearted;  
support the weak;  
help the afflicted;  
give honour to all; love and serve the Lord,  
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

POSTLUDE: *Con moto maestoso (Sonata III), op.65/3 (Out of the depths)*  
- Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

*Today's Mass Setting: RUTTER*

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*Services on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June** (Third Sunday after Pentecost)*

*Preacher: **The Rev'd Valerie Hoare***

*Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7am & 9am*

*COVID-19 safe practices are still required before, during and after the services.*

*The Parish Office is attended Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 12pm*

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