St Mary's Church, Walkley



The Church on the Road:

Inclusive, Eucharistic, a safe place to be with God

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity **Eucharist**

8th August 2021

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

There are some changes to our usual way of worship. It may feel a bit like it does at St Mary's during Lent.

- There won't be any hymns during the service. Later on we might be able to have a cantor singing some of the liturgy, for example the Gloria.
- There won't be a Gospel procession. Instead, the president (the priest leading the service) will read the Gospel from the front of the altar.
- We won't be able to share the Peace in the usual way. Instead, we will remain seated and wave, nod or bow to each other.

The Gathering

We stand.

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Greeting

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

All and also with you.

The Confession and Absolution

President 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.

We keep a time of silence.

President Lord Jesus, you heal the sick: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

President Lord Jesus, you forgive sinners: Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

President Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us and bring us strength:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

President God, the Father of mercies,

has reconciled the world to himself through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ, not holding our sins against us, but sending his Holy Spirit to shed abroad his love among us. By the ministry of reconciliation entrusted by Christ to his Church, receive his pardon and peace to stand before him in his strength alone this day and for evermore.

All Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis

All 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 Collect

President Let us pray:

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please 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.

All Amen.

We sit.

The Reading: 1 Kings 19. 4 - 8

A reading from the First Book of the Kings.

But Elijah himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

We remain seated as music played.

We stand for the Gospel.

The Gospel Reading: John 6. 35, 41 - 51

President Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus says: I am the living bread that came down from heaven: whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

All Alleluia.

John 6.51

President Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

President This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

The Sermon

We stand.

The Creed

President Let us declare our faith:

All 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

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.

We sit or kneel.

The Prayers of Intercession

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy, All hear our prayer.

Or another response is used.

Intercessor Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

We stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and as a pledge of what is to come has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

President The peace of the Lord be always with you All and also with you.

President Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We remain in our seats, sharing the peace through waves to those around us.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

President Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

President It is right to give you thanks

in sickness and in health, in suffering and in joy, through Christ our Saviour and Redeemer, who as the Good Samaritan tends the wounds of body and spirit.

He stands by us and pours out for our healing the oil of consolation and the wine of renewed hope, turning the darkness of our pain into the dawning light of his kingdom.

And now we join with saints and angels for ever praising you and saying:

All 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.

President Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave 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.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

President Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

President And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, Mark, John and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

We sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

President In confidence let us pray to the Father for the coming of the kingdom among us:

All
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 Breaking of the Bread

President We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The Giving of Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

President The body of our Lord Jesus Christ,

which was given for you,

preserve your body and soul unto everlasting life.

Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

All Amen.

The president will give instructions on how to come forward for communion and on returning to our seats. All are welcome to come to front for the bread or a blessing. If you would like a blessing please keep your arms folded across your chest at you approach the front. Sanitising stations are available at the front of church to use before receiving.

During the distribution music is played.

The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All 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.

We stand.

The Blessing

President May God the holy and undivided Trinity preserve you in body, mind and spirit, and bring you safe to that heavenly country where peace and harmony reign; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

President Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please take this order of service away with you!

Beginning with the back rows of pews and chairs, please leave using the church porch and move away as quickly as possible to help others to leave too. If you use the ramp, please use the hall door as usual, and move away as quickly as you can.

We are sorry that there won't be any refreshments after the service and that you won't be able to stay to chat to each other in person. We hold online coffee sessions from 12:00-1:00pm each Sunday. We'd love to see you online, if you'd like to join us.

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