

# St Mary's Church, Walkley



**The Church on the Road:**  
*Inclusive, Eucharistic, a safe place to be with God*

## Thomas the Apostle

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### **Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley**

At the moment we are not quite back to our usual way of worship. You will notice that:

- Half the seating is still arranged for people who want to keep physical distance.

## **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.**

*We remain standing and we sing.*

## **The Confession and Absolution**

*Minister* Jesus said to his apostles,  
'You are my friends if you obey my commands.'  
Let us now confess our disobedience to him.

*We keep a time of silence.*

*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.**

*President* May the God of love  
bring us back to himself,  
forgive us our sins,  
and assure us of his eternal love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*We remain standing and we sing.*

## **The Gloria in Excelsis**

*All* **Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,  
Glory to God in the highest, 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.  
Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,  
Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,  
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, have  
mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive, receive our prayer.  
Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,  
Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone  
are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with Holy Spirit, in the glory of  
God the Father. Amen. In the glory of God the Father, Amen.**

## **The Collect**

*President* Let us pray:

Almighty and eternal God,  
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,  
allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son  
till word and sight convinced him:  
grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe  
and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God;  
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:** Ephesians 2. 19 - end

A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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

*We stand and we sing.*

**The Gospel Reading:** John 20. 24 - 29

*Minister* Alleluia, alleluia.  
I do not call you servants but friends,  
because I have made known to you  
everything that I have heard from my Father.

*All* **Alleluia.**

John 15.15

*Minister* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

*Minister* 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 in God,

*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* We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God,  
through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace  
to those who were far off and those who were near.

Ephesians 2.19,17

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

*Minister* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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

*We stand and we sing as the altar is prepared.*

## 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 indeed right and good  
that we should give you thanks, praise and glory,  
almighty and everlasting God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For after his resurrection  
he sent out his apostles and evangelists  
to preach the gospel to all nations  
and lead us in the way of truth.

Himself the chief cornerstone,  
he founded his Church upon the apostles  
firmly to stand for ever  
as a sign of your holiness upon earth  
and a living witness to all  
of the way that leads to heaven.

And so with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven  
we lift our voices  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

*Cantor* Holy Holy Holy Lord

*All* **Holy Holy Holy Lord**

*Cantor* God of power and God of might

*All* **God of power and God of might**

*Cantor* Heaven and earth are full of your glory

*All* **Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

*Cantor* Hosanna in the highest

*All* **Hosanna in the highest**

*Cantor* Blessed is he who comes

*All* **Blessed is he who comes**

*Cantor* In the name of the Lord most High

*All* **In the name of the Lord most High**

*Cantor* Hosanna

*All* **Hosanna**

*Cantor* Hosanna

*All* **Hosanna**

*Cantor* Hosanna in the highest

*All* **Hosanna in the highest**

*President* Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
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.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

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.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

*Minister* Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

*Cantor* Dying you destroyed our death

*All* **Dying you destroyed our death**

*Cantor* Rising you restored our life

*All* **Rising you restored our life**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus come

*All* **Lord Jesus come**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus come

*All* **Lord Jesus come**

*Cantor* Come again in glory

*All* **Come again in glory**



*President* Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

*All* **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*We sit or kneel.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*President* As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

*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* God's holy gifts  
for God's holy people.

*All* **Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*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 and wine or a blessing. If you would like a blessing please keep your arms folded across your chest at you approach the front. We are now able to receive the wine as well as the bread. The president will dip the wafer in the wine before giving it to you. Sanitising stations are available at the front of church to use before receiving.*

*During the distribution we sing and music is played.*

## **The Prayer after Communion**

*President* Let us pray.

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*All*            **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* God, who has prepared for us a city with eternal foundations,  
bring us, with all the saints,  
to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon us and remain with us always.

*All*            **Amen.**

*We remain standing and we sing.*

### **The Dismissal**

*Minister*    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*            **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

***Coffee and tea are back! If you would like to stay for coffee and a  
chat, please move to the hall at the back of the church.***

*Please be mindful of those who prefer to keep their distance from  
others at the moment.*

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