St Mary's Church, Walkley



The Church on the Road:

Inclusive, Eucharistic, a safe place to be with God

The Fifth Sunday of Easter Eucharist with Thanksgiving for the Coronation

7th May 2023

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

President: The Revd Shan Rush President: The Revd Shan Rush Churchwarden on duty: Janet

The Gathering and Thanksgiving for the Coronation

We stand and we sing the opening hymn:

Tune: Thaxted

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above, entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love: the love that asks tough questions, the love that stands the test, that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; the love that never falters, the love that pays the price, the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

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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.

President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

President We gather this day to worship almighty God, and to pray for our King, that, both now and always, God may grant him wisdom and grace for his ministry among us.

A/I Amen.

The Coronation Gospel: Luke 22. 24 - 27

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All Alleluia.

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

A dispute also arose among the disciples as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But Jesus said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

Minister This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

President By the power of the Holy Spirit,

may we, with Charles our King,

give ourselves to the service of God and others,

that our communities may flourish and be places of trust and friendship.

All Amen.

President Blessed are you, Lord Jesus,

for as you were sent by the Father, so you send us.

Equip Charles our King and all your people

with the gifts to fulfil our calling,

that we may love as you loved,

serve as you served,

and willingly follow wherever you lead.

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Tune: Thaxted

And there's another country I've heard of long ago, most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know; we may not count her armies, we may not see her King; her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering; and soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, and her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

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The Confession and Absolution

Minister Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.

Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil

and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

1 Corinthians 5.7,8

We keep a time of silence.

Minister Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy,

Minister Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

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

Cantor Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

All Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Cantor 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.

All Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Cantor 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.

All Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Cantor 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.

All Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

The Collect

President Let us pray.

Risen Christ,

your wounds declare your love for the world

and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve,

to the glory of God the Father.

All Amen.

We sit.

The Reading: Acts 7. 55 - end

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

But filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Reader

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn

We stand and we sing.

The Gospel Reading: John 14. 1 - 14

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All Alleluia.

Revelation 1.17,18

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going.

How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Minister All This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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 Jesus, Lord of life,
All in your mercy, hear us.

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 The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples

and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

John 20.19, 20

President The peace of the Lord be always with you

All 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.

The Offertory Hymn

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, our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,

almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts

the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son,

has conquered the powers of death and hell

and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,

earth and heaven resound with gladness,

while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation

sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

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 In the name of the Lord most High

Cantor Hosanna
All Hosanna
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Cantor Hosanna in the highest

All Hosanna in the highest

President We praise and bless you, loving Father,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command,

send your Holy Spirit,

that broken bread and wine outpoured

may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection

until he comes in glory.

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
All
Lord Jesus come
Cantor
Come again in glory
Come again in glory

President Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day

when your kingdom comes

and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with Mary, Mark, John and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

A/I Amen.

We sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

President Rejoicing in God's new creation, 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 Jesus says, I am the bread of life, whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

All Lord, our hearts hunger for you; give us this bread always.

The Giving of Communion

President Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 we sing and music is played.

The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All Amen.

All Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Notices

We stand.

The Blessing

President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

President God grant to the living grace,

to the departed rest,

to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people,

unity, peace and concord,

and to us and all God's servants,

life everlasting;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among us and remain with us always.

All Amen.

The Closing Hymn

We remain standing and we sing.

The Dismissal

Minister All Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia.

The National Anthem

We remain standing and we sing:

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King. Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us: God save the King.

The ministers depart.

Coffee and tea are served after the service please move to the hall through the door at the back of the church.

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

For more information: <u>stmaryswalkley.co.uk</u>

