# St Mary's Church, Walkley



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

# The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

# Eucharist 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

**President: The Revd Canon James Wilson Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Alan Billings** 

Churchwarden on duty: Alexandra

## The Gathering and Opening Hymn

We stand and we sing the opening hymn.

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

Minister Human sin disfigures the whole creation,

which groans with eager longing for God's redemption.

We confess our sin in penitence and faith.

Romans 8.22,23

We keep a time of silence.

Minister You delight in creation, its colour and diversity;

yet we have misused the earth

and plundered its resources for our own selfish ends.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister You have brought order out of chaos,

light in darkness, good out of evil, but we have preferred darkness

in words and deeds which dishonour God's holy name.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Minister You have showered us with blessings,

but we have been grudging towards others and lacking in generosity in word and deed.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

### President Almighty God,

who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A/I 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.

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

We sit.

The Reading: James 3. 13 - 4. 3, 7 - 8a

Reader A reading from the Letter of James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Reader All This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# The Gradual Hymn

We stand and we sing. During the hymn we turn to face the processional cross as the book of the Gospels moves to the middle of the people.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 9. 30 - 37

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus said, As the rain and the snow come down from heaven and water the earth making it spring forth and grow,

so shall my word accomplish my purpose.

All Alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Minister

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All

Praise to you, O Christ.

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

God of life:

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 You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace;

the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Isaiah 55.12

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. If you would like to support St Mary's, donations can be made after the service at the back of church using the collection plate or contactless card giving station.

## 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 Blessed are you, Lord God,

our light and our salvation;

to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things

and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image,

the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels

and all the powers of heaven

we may find a voice to sing your 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
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Cantor Hosanna in the highest

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President How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children,

you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled

your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread,

in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, 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.

*Minister* Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Cantor Dying you destroyed our deathAll 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

Lord Jesus come

Lord Jesus come

Cantor Come again in glory

Come again in glory

President Father, we plead with confidence

his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you

these gifts of your creation;

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

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with Mary, Mark, John and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, 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.

ΑII

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. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask at the altar. During the distribution we sing and music is played.

## The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All God our creator.

you give us seed to sow and bread to eat: as you have blessed the fruit of our labour in this eucharist, so we ask you to give all your children their daily bread, that the world may praise you for your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Notices

We stand.

Thanksgiving for the Parish Weekend

## The Blessing

President May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who is the source of all goodness and growth,

pour his blessing upon all things created,

and upon us his children,

that we may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples;

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 during which we turn to face the back of church as the robed ministers process.

#### The Dismissal

Minister Tend the earth, care for God's good creation,

and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Coffee and tea are served after the service, all are welcome.

If you would like to provide feedback on this service please speak a member of the Worship Group, Kath, Catherine, Janet or David. You can also email us worship@stmaryswalkley.co.uk

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