St Mary's Church, Walkley



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

Christ the King Sunday

Eucharist 24th November 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. Amen.

All

The Greeting

- *President* Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
- and also with you. All

The Confession and Absolution

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' Minister So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Matthew 4.17

We keep a time of silence.

- Minister The kingdom is yours, but we turn away from your just rule: Lord, have mercy.
- Lord, have mercy. All
- Minister The power is yours, but we trust in our own power and strength: Christ, have mercy.
- All Christ, have mercy.
- Minister The glory is yours, but we fall short of the glory of God: Lord, have mercy.
- Lord, have mercy. All
- *President* May God our Father forgive us our sins, and bring us to the fellowship of his table with his saints for ever.
- 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 that we may be strengthened by our communion with all the saints:

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

All Amen.

We sit.

The Reading: Daniel 7. 9 - 10, 13 - 14

A reading from the Book of Daniel. Reader As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed. Reader This is the word of the Lord. All 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: John 18. 33 - 37

MinisterAlleluia, alleluia.You, Christ, are the King of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.AllAlleluia.

MinisterHear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.AllGlory to you, O Lord.

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

MinisterThis is the Gospel of the Lord.AllPraise 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 May your kingdom come; *All* **Lord, 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 To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

Colossians 3.14,15

PresidentThe peace of the Lord be always with you.Alland 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. If you would like to give regularly to St Mary's please speak to the Treasurer, or one of the Churchwardens.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President All	The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.
President All	Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
President All	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. 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, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
	For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation.
	As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.
	As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.
	And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:
Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All	Holy Holy Lord Holy Holy Lord God of power and God of might God of power and God of might Heaven and earth are full of your glory Heaven and earth are full of your glory Hosanna in the highest Hosanna in the highest Blessed is he who comes Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord most High In the name of the Lord most High Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna

Cantor All	Hosanna in the highest 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 All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All	Dying you destroyed our death Dying you destroyed our death Rising you restored our life Rising you restored our life Lord Jesus come Lord Jesus come Lord Jesus come 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.

All Amen.

We sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

President With saints and martyrs through the ages, 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 I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia.

The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

All Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

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.

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- All Amen.
- All Father of all,

we thank you that you have shared this feast of your kingdom with all peoples and have united all races in your Son Jesus Christ: may the unity we have known here give us a joyful anticipation of the fullness of life to which you call us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Notices

We stand.

The Blessing

President All	God the Father, who has given to his Son the name above every name, strengthen us to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord. Amen.
President All	God the Son, who is our great high priest passed into the heavens, plead for us at the right hand of the Father. Amen.
President All	God the Holy Spirit, who pours out his abundant gifts upon the Church, make us faithful servants of Christ our King. Amen.
President All	And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. 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 Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ.*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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