St Mary's Church, Walkley



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

The Day of Pentecost

Eucharist 8th June 2025

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

President: The Revd Canon Dr Alan Billings Preacher: The Revd Canon James Wilson Churchwarden on duty: David

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.
- All and also with you.
- President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia. All

President Jesus Christ, whom we worship,

is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross. We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death. We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord. And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

The Responsory

- *President* As we wait in silence. fill us with your Spirit. All
- *President* As we listen to your word, fill us with your Spirit. All

PresidentAs we worship you in majesty,Allfill us with your Spirit.

PresidentAs we long for your refreshing,Allfill us with your Spirit.

PresidentAs we long for your renewing,Allfill us with your Spirit.

PresidentAs we long for your equipping,Allfill us with your Spirit.

PresidentAs we long for your empowering,Allfill us with your Spirit.

We keep a time of silence.

The Pentecost Reading: Acts 2. 1 - 13

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

ReaderThe Lord is here.AllHis Spirit is with us.

We remain standing and we sing.

The Gloria in Excelsis

| Cantor | Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo, Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo |
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| All | Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo, 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 that the Spirit will work through our lives to bring Christ to the world.

> Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All

We sit.

The Reading: Acts 2. 14 - 21

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares,

that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

and your young men shall see visions,

and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit;

and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above

and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood.

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord. Reader 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 14.8 - 17

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.
 There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;
 by the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
 All Alleluia.

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

Philip said to Jesus, '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.

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

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 Lord, come to bless us, All and fill us with your Spirit.

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. Alleluia.

2 Corinthians 1.22

- PresidentThe peace of the Lord be always with youAlland 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 Wardens Team.

The Eucharistic Prayer

| President All | The Lord is here. |
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| | His Spirit is with us. 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, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. |
| | This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith. |
| | Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood. |
| | Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and singing: |
| Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All Cantor All | Holy Holy Holy Lord Holy 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 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 Dying you destroyed our death Dying you destroyed our death All Cantor Rising you restored our life Rising you restored our life All 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 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. **Amen**.

All

We sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

- *President* Being made one by the power of the Spirit, 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

PresidentAlleluia.Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.AllTherefore 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 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.

The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 Pentecost Commission

President For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's Church here in Walkley, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

President Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

The Paschal Candle is extinguished in silence.

The Blessing

- *President* The Lord is here.
- All His Spirit is with us.
- *President* Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

President May the Spirit,

who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into us the life he gives.

All Amen.

- PresidentMay the Spirit,
who overshadowed the Virgin
when the eternal Son came among us,
make us joyful in the service of the Lord.AllAmen.
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President May the Spirit,

who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

All Amen.

PresidentAnd the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always.AllAmen.

The Closing Hymn

We remain standing and we sing during which we turn to face the back of church as the ministers process.

The Dismissal

MinisterFilled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.AllThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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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