St Mary's Church, Walkley



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

The Transfiguration

Eucharist 3rd August 2025

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

President: The Revd Canon Dr Alan Billings

Preacher: Joe, Reader at St Marys

Team Warden on duty: Janet

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 Acclamation

President By the appearance on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ

All God has broken the power of death

and brought life and immortality to light.

President Arise, shine, for your light has come

All and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

President For though darkness shall cover the earth

All and thick darkness the nations,

President the Lord will rise upon you

All and his glory will be seen upon you.

President By the appearance on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ

All God has broken the power of death

and brought life and immortality to light.

The Confession and Absolution

Minister When Christ appears we shall be like him.

because we shall see him as he is.

As he is pure,

all who have grasped this hope make themselves pure.

So let us confess our sins that mar his image in us.

We keep a time of silence.

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.

ΑII

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.

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; 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: 2 Peter 1. 16 - 19

Reader A reading from the Second Letter of Peter.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

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: Luke 9. 28 - 36

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

All Alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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 Lord, look with favour,

All Lord, transfigure and heal.

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 Christ will transfigure our human body

and give it a form like that of his own glorious body.

We are the body of Christ.

We share his peace.

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. If you would like to give regularly to St Mary's please speak to the Treasurer, or one of the Team Wardens.

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,

our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,

holy Father, almighty and eternal God,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For on this day he revealed his glory

before his chosen witnesses and filled with divine splendour

the human flesh in which he is one with us.

So he prepared his disciples to bear the scandal of the cross

and showed that in the Church, his body,

the same glory would be fulfilled that shone forth from him, its head.

And so with joyful hearts we echo on earth

the song of the angels in heaven

as they praise your glory without end:

Cantor Holy Holy Holy Lord

All Holy Holy Holy Lord

Cantor God of power and God of mightAll 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
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President Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;

grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,

and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine

may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

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.

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

Lord Jesus come

Lord Jesus come

Cantor Come again in glory

Come again in glory

President And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,

his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming in glory,

we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, Mark, John and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All 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. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask at the altar.

During the distribution we sing.

The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All God our guide,
you have fed us with bread from heaven
as you fed your people Israel.
May we who have been spiritually nourished
be ready to follow you all our days;
we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Notices

We stand.

The Blessing

President Christ, whose glory fills the skies,

fill us with radiance

and scatter the darkness from our path.

All Amen.

President Christ, the Sun of Righteousness,

gladden our eyes and warm our heart.

All Amen.

President Christ, the Dayspring from on high,

draw near to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All Amen.

President And the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon 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 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.

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

