

St Mary's Church, Walkley



The Church on the Road:
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The Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary With the Baptism of Katherine Cheung Kit Leng Grover-Groenvold

**Eucharist
7th September 2025**

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

**President: The Revd Dr Beth Keith, Priest in Charge
Preacher: The Revd Dr Beth Keith, Priest in Charge
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 Blessed is she who had faith
that the Lord's promise would be fulfilled.

All **All generations shall call her blessed.**

President So tenderly has he looked upon his servant.

All **All generations shall call her blessed.**

President Blessed is she among women and blessed is the fruit of her womb.

All **All generations shall call her blessed.**

President Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Holy is his name.

All **All generations shall call her blessed.**

The President introduces the service.

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.

Mighty God,
by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary
and greeted her as the mother of the Lord:
look with favour on your lowly servants
that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name
and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour,
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: Isaiah 61. 10 - end

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.

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 Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me lie in pastures green,
he leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in you alone,
and I will trust in you alone,
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil;
and my cup – it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.

And I will trust in you alone...

And though I walk the darkest path -
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me, and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.

And I will trust in you alone...

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The Gospel Reading: Luke 1. 46 - 55

Minister Alleluia, alleluia.
Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

All **Alleluia.**

Luke 1.28, 47

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Minister This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon

The Liturgy of Baptism

President Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
that to enter the kingdom of heaven
we must be born again of water and the Spirit,
and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of this new birth.
Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.
Here we are clothed with Christ,
dying to sin that we may live his risen life.
As children of God, we have a new dignity
and God calls us to fullness of life.

All **Amen.**

The Presentation

President Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.
We thank God for Katherine who has come to be baptised today.
Christ loves her and welcomes her into his Church.

President So I ask you all:

Will you support Katherine as she begins her journey of faith?
All **We will.**

Will you help her to live and grow within God's family?
All **We will.**

The president addresses the parents and godparents.

President God knows each of us by name and we are his.
Parents and godparents, you speak for Katherine today.
Will you pray for her, and help her to follow Christ?

Parents & We will.

Godparents

The Decision

The president addresses Katherine, her parents and godparents.

President We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.
In baptism we respond to his call.
Therefore I ask:

President Do you turn to Christ?

Baptism I turn to Christ.
party

President Do you repent of your sins?

Baptism I repent of my sins.
party

President Do you renounce evil?

Baptism I renounce evil.
party

The Signing with the Cross

The president makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of Katherine, saying

President Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

President Do not be ashamed of Christ.
You are his forever.

All **Stand bravely with him
against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

President May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All **Amen.**

President Faithful and loving God,
bless those who care for Katherine
and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith.
Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love,
and protect their homes from all evil.
Fill them with the light of your presence
and establish them in the joy of your kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Water is poured into the font.

The Prayer over the Water

President Praise God who made heaven and earth,
All **who keeps his promise forever.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President We praise you, loving Father,
for the gift of your Son Jesus.
He was baptised in the River Jordan,
where your Spirit came upon him
and revealed him as the Son you love.
He sent his followers
to baptise all who turn to him.
Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water,
that those who are baptised in it
may be cleansed in the water of life,
and, filled with your Spirit,
may know that they are loved as your children,
safe in Christ forever.

All **Amen.**

We stand.

The Profession of Faith

President Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess, together with Katherine,
the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

President Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?
All **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

President Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

We sit.

The Baptism

President Katherine Cheung Kit Leng,
I baptise you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

President May God, who has received you by baptism
into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

All **Amen.**

All **Do not be ashamed to confess
the faith of Christ crucified.
Remain faithful to your calling,
as God remains faithful to you. Amen.**

The Welcome

President There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Katherine,
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.
All **We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The congregation greets the newly baptised. We sit or kneel.

The Prayers of Intercession

Intercessor Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
All **Holy is your name.**

Or another response is used.

Intercessor Almighty and everlasting God,
your servant Mary magnified your name
and rejoiced in your saving love:
trusting in that same love,
we ask all these our prayers
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
All **Amen.**

We stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9.6

All The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

Minister Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We exchange the peace through smiles, waves and handshakes with those around us, as you feel comfortable.

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 salvation,
almighty Father, ever-living God,
to proclaim the wonders you have worked in all your saints,
and on the feast of Mary, ever blessed,
to echo her praise of your loving kindness.

For you have truly done great things
and holy is your name,
and your mercy is on those who fear you
in every generation.

When you looked with favour on your lowly servant
you remembered your promise of mercy
and gave the world through her
your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Through him the hosts of heaven adore you
and rejoice in your presence for ever.

May our voices join with theirs
in the triumphant hymn of 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**

Cantor Hosanna

All **Hosanna**

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 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.

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 receive communion in both kinds, bread and wine, by intinction. The clergy will dip the wafer in the wine before giving it to you. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask at the altar.

The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Gracious God,
who gave joy to Elizabeth and Mary
as they recognized the signs of redemption at work within them:
help us, who have shared in the joy of this eucharist,
to know the Lord deep within us
and his love shining out in our lives,
that the world may rejoice in your salvation;
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 Blessing

President When the Word became flesh
earth was joined to heaven in the womb of Mary:
may the love and obedience of Mary be our example.

All **Amen.**

President May the peace of Christ
rule in our hearts and homes.

All **Amen.**

President May we be filled with the joy of the Spirit
and the gifts of our eternal home.

All **Amen.**

President 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 Giving of a Lighted Candle

President God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
Katherine, you have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

All **Shine as a light in the world,
to the glory of God the Father.**

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 Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord;
let it be to me according to your word.'
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

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