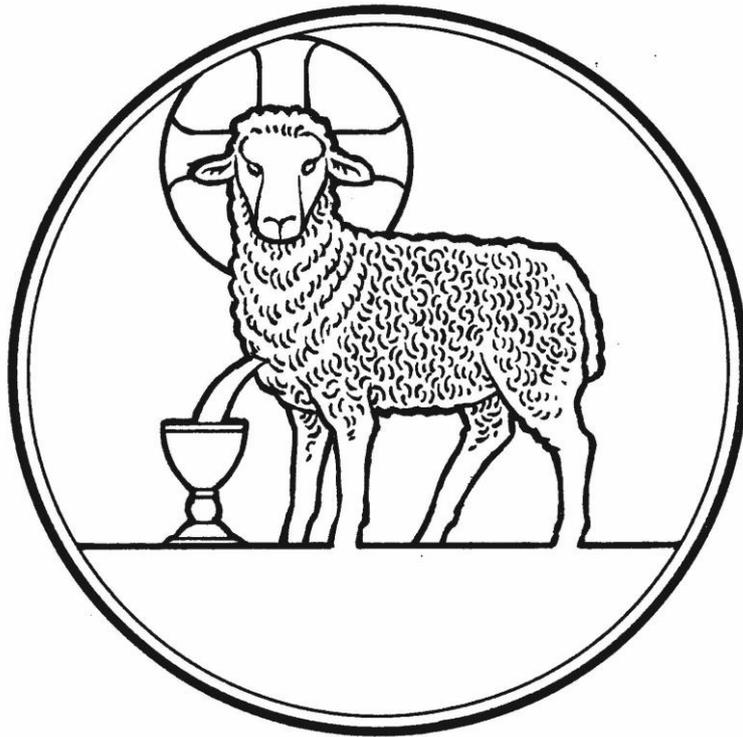


St John's Harpenden



PARISH EUCHARIST

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

21st August 2022

Please stand when the bell rings and the Procession enters.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 422 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

1 Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2 Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluia, bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;

thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The president informally introduces the service.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Kneel

**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.**

The kyrie is normally sung.

**Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Stand for the GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.
Glory to God in the Highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav'nly King,
almighty God and Father.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.
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.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.***

**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.**

***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.***

THE COLLECT

Let us pray

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READINGS **NEW TESTAMENT: Hebrews 12.18- end**

18 You have not come to something that can be touched, a
blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the
sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers

beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

25 See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' ²⁷This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 116 Be thou my guardian and my guide
please stand

I Be thou my guardian and my guide,
and hear me when I call;
let not my slippery footsteps slide,
and hold me lest I fall.

2 The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
thou quickener of the dead.

3 And if I tempted am to sin,
and outward things are strong,
do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
and save my soul from wrong.

4 Still let me ever watch and pray,
and feel that I am frail;
that if the tempter cross my way,
yet he may not prevail.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Luke 13.
10-17*

Glory to you, O Lord.

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your

ailment.’ ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, ‘There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.’ ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, ‘You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?’ ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit for the SERMON

A short silence follows the Sermon.

Stand for THE CREED

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.

INTERCESSIONS

The president introduces the prayers and the congregation kneels.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us
Lord, graciously hear us

At the end of the prayers:

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand for THE PEACE

Christ is our peace, he has reconciled us to God in one body by his cross; we meet in his name, and share in his peace.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Congregation share the sign of the Peace with those immediately around them, saying 'Peace be with you'.

OFFERTORY HYMN 766 Praise my soul the king of heaven

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.

2 Praise him for his grace and favour

to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.

3 Father-like, he tends and spares us,
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows.

4 Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
blows the wind and it is gone;
but, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on:
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the high eternal One.

5 Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.

*The gifts of the people may be gathered and presented.
The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.
The president takes the bread and wine*

*Please give generously to the ministry of your church.
If you are a visitor and a tax-payer, please fill in the Gift Aid envelopes
provided. Regular worshippers are encouraged to join our stewardship
scheme - standing order forms and information leaflets may be found at
the back of church.
Thank you for your gift.*

Remain standing

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.
Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our
Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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 our Lady Mary, St John, St Alban
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.

Amen!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we are bold to say:

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.**

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

The president invites the people to Communion saying:

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the
word, and I shall be healed.**

All Baptised Christians who normally receive Communion in their own church are welcome to do so here. If you would like to receive a Blessing, bow your head at the Altar rail. Please follow the direction of the wardens.

COMMUNION HYMN *Remain kneeling or seated.*

358 Be Still for the presence of the Lord;

463 Strengthen for Service

During Communion, if the Choir are present, an ANTHEM may be sung.

A short period of silence is kept after Communion.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the
body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; through him
we offer you our souls and bodies, to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to live and work
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Sit for the NOTICES

FINAL HYMN *667 I danced in the morning*

'I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon
and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth:

At Bethlehem I had My birth.

*'Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance,' said He,
'And I'll lead you all,
wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all
in the dance,' said He.*

I danced for the scribe
and the pharisee,
But they would not dance
and they wouldn't follow Me.
I danced for the fishermen,
for James and John -
They came with Me
and the dance went on.

*'Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance,' said He,
'And I'll lead you all,
wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all
in the dance,' said He.*

I danced on the Sabbath
and I cured the lame;
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
and they hung Me on high,
And they left Me there on a cross to die.

*'Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance,' said He,
'And I'll lead you all,
wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all*

in the dance,' said He.

'I danced on a Friday
when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance
with the devil on your back.
They buried My body
and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance, and I still go on.

*'Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance,' said He,
'And I'll lead you all,
wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all
in the dance,' said He.*

'They cut Me down
and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in Me;
I am the Lord of the dance', said He.

*'Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance,' said He,
'And I'll lead you all,
wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all
in the dance,' said He.*

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, now and always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ.

Remain standing as an Organ Voluntary begins and the RECEPTION takes place.

Please join us for refreshments in the Church Hall after the service.

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