

The Holy Communion

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 November 2020

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

(Please stand)

Hymn Rejoice! the Lord King

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! your Lord and King adore;
let all give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2. Jesus, the saviour, reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

3. His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heaven,
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

4. He sits at God's right hand, till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

5. Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,
and take his servants up to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
God's trumpet call shall sound, rejoice!



Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sentence

O shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

(Psalm 100.1)

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Lord, we have sinned in thought, word and deed:

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

We are truly sorry and we ask you to forgive us:

Christ have mercy

Christ have mercy

Help us by your Spirit to live in newness of life:

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;**

**we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
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.
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.**

The Collect of the Day

God of power and love,
who raised your Son Jesus from death to life,
resplendent in glory to rule over all creation:
free the world to rejoice in his peace,
to glory in his justice, and to live in his love.
Unite the human race in Jesus Christ your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Sit for the readings)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

(Silence may follow each reading.)

First Reading A reading from Saint Paul's letter to the Ephesians
(1.15-23)

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 100 *(ref APBA p.326)*

¹ O shout to the Lord in triumph, all the earth:

serve the Lord with gladness,

and come before his face with songs of joy.

² **Know that the Lord he is God:**

it is he who has made us and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

³ Come into his gates with thanksgiving,

and into his courts with praise:

give thanks to him, and bless his holy name.

**⁴ For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever:
his faithfulness throughout all generations.**

(Stand for the Gospel)

The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
(25.31-46)

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, “Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Then he will say to those at his left hand, “You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you

did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

After the Gospel, the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

Silence may follow.

(Stand for the Creed)

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Sit or kneel for the prayers)

The minister says

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each prayer

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with this prayer.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY

Hymn Crown him with many crowns

1. Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for me,
And hail Him as you chosen King
Through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Lord of Love:
Behold His hands and side;
Those wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel there on high
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends a burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

3. Crown Him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end,
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

4. Crown Him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time.
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Majestic and sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!

For you have died for me;
Your praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

(remain standing for the Great Thanksgiving)

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

Preface:



**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.**

(Kneel for the Prayer of Consecration)

And now we thank you
for these gifts of bread and wine;
may we who receive them,
as Jesus said,
share his body and his blood.
On the night he was betrayed, he took bread
and gave you thanks.

He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said,
'Take and eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.' 🕊

After supper he took the cup
and gave you thanks.

He shared the cup with them and said,
'This is my blood poured out
so that sins may be forgiven.

Do this in remembrance of me.' 🕊

The memorial acclamation is used here

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

You have gathered us together
to feed on Christ
and to remember all he has done for us:

Fill us with your Spirit
that we may follow Jesus
in all we do and say,
working for justice and bringing your peace
to this world that you have made.
Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.** 🕊

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**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.

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:
**so may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and
blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed
on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*During COVID-19 restrictions we will administer Holy
Communion under one kind; the bread.*

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

*(Kneel or sit for a time for quiet reflection following Holy
Communion)*

Hymn

The head that once was crowned with thorns

1. The head that once was crowned with thorns
is crowned with glory now;
a royal diadem adorns
the mighty Victor's brow.
2. The highest place that heaven affords
is his, is his by right,

the King of kings and Lord of lords,
and heaven's eternal Light:

3. The joy of all who dwell above,
the joy of all below,
to whom he manifests his love,
and grants his name to know.

4. To them the cross, with all its shame,
with all its grace, is given;
their name an everlasting name,
their joy the joy of heaven.

5. They suffer with the Lord below,
they reign with him above;
their profit and their joy to know
the mystery of his love.

6. The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him;
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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 in this hope that we have grasped;
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name.**

The Blessing

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