

Second Sunday of Epiphany

16 January 2022

## The Parish Eucharist

*Before the service*

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*Organ: : Folk Song (from 6 Sketches) – Cecil Armstrong Gibbs  
(1889-1960)*

*Opening Hymn and Greeting*

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*The bell rings and we stand, as we are able, and sing:*

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed!  
Great David's greater Son;  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free;  
To take away transgression,  
And rule in equity.**

**He comes with succour speedy  
To those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy,  
And bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing,  
Their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
Were precious in his sight.**

**He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth,  
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,  
Spring in his path to birth:  
Before him on the mountains  
Shall peace, the herald go;  
And righteousness in fountains  
From hill to valley flow.**

**Kings shall fall down before him,  
And gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore him,  
His praise all people sing;  
To him shall prayer unceasing  
And daily vows ascend;  
His kingdom still increasing,  
A kingdom without end.**

**O'er every foe victorious,  
He on his throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All-blessing and all-blest:  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand for ever;  
That name to us is Love.**

*Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854) based on Psalm 72  
Music: 'Crüger' Adapted by W. H. Monk (1823-89) from J. Crüger  
(1598-1662)*

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.**

*Confession*

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**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.**

*We receive an absolution, assuring us of God's forgiveness*

*When Sunday School is meeting, a prayer is said with our young people at this point before they leave for their session.*

*The Gloria and Collect*

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**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.**

**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.**

*[Music: Dom Gregory Murray (1905-92)]*

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Readings (we sit)*

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First Reading (Isaiah 62.1-5)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*The Cantors sing verses from Psalm 62:*

1. On God alone my soul in stillness waits; \* from him comes my salvation.
2. He alone is my rock and my salvation, \* my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.
3. How long will all of you assail me to destroy me, \* as you would a tottering wall or a leaning fence?
4. They plot only to thrust me down from my place of honour lies are their chief delight; \* they bless with their mouth, but in their heart they curse.
5. Wait on God alone in stillness, O my soul; \* for in him is my hope.

Second reading (1 Corinthians 12.1-11)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*(We stand)*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening: you have the words of eternal life. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Please turn to face the Gospel reading (John 2.1-11)*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord**

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon*– Fr Crispin Pailing

*The Creed (We stand)*

**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.**

*The Intercessions (please kneel or sit)*

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*The response to each petition is:*

Jesus Lord of the Church      **In your mercy hear us.**

*At the end: ...one God, now and for all eternity.      **Amen.***

*The Peace (We stand)*

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*The Peace is introduced, followed by:*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Offertory Hymn*

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**The God of Abraham praise who reigns enthroned  
above,**

**Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love:**

**Jehovah, great I AM, by earth and heaven confest;**

**We bow and bless the sacred name for ever blest.**

**The God who reigns on high the great archangels  
sing,**

**And “Holy, Holy, Holy,” cry, “almighty King,**

**Who was, and is the same, and evermore shall be.**

**Jehovah, Father, great I AM, we worship thee.”**

**Before the Saviour’s face the ransomed nations bow,**

**O’erwhelmed at his almighty grace for ever new;**

**He shows his prints of love-they kindle to a flame,**

**And sound through all the worlds above the slaugh-  
tered Lamb.**

**The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high;  
“Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,” they ever cry;  
Hail, Abraham’s God and mine, (I join the heavenly lays)  
All might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.**

*Words: Thomas Olivers (1725-99) based on the Hebrew Yagdol  
Music: ‘Leoni’ Hebrew melody notated by Thomas Olivers (1725-99)*

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

*A prayer is said over the gifts on the altar, to which we respond*  
**Amen.**

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.**

*The seasonal part of the prayer follows and at the end the Cantors  
sing:*

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.

[The Parish Communion—Martin How (born 1931)]

*We pray for the Holy Spirit to transform us and the gifts, and then  
the words of Jesus at the Last Supper are recalled:*

*The following acclamation is then used:*

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.**

**You are the Saviour of the world.**

*The prayer continues with oblation and intercession, ending:*

... we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting  
praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for  
ever and ever. Amen.**

Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as  
our Saviour has taught us:

**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. And forgive us  
our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass  
against us. And 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.**

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy  
on us. (x2)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us  
peace.

Come to this sacred table, not because you must, but because  
you may; come, not to declare that you are righteous, but that  
you desire to be true disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ; come,

not because you are strong, but because you are weak; not because you have any claim on heaven's rewards, but because in your frailty and sin you stand in constant need of heaven's grace.

*If you normally receive Communion in your own church then you are welcome to do so here, or you may prefer the priest to pray for God's blessing on you. Please indicate if you would rather receive a blessing.*

*In order to preserve social distancing, please leave space as you queue to receive communion standing at the front of the church. If you would prefer to kneel to receive Communion then please use the rail in the south aisle.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available.*

### *During Communion*

○ taste and see how gracious the Lord is.  
Blest is the man that trusteth in him.

Words: 'Psalm 34 verse 8

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

### *Post-Communion Prayers (We stand at 'Let us pray')*

*After the post-communion prayer we say together*

**Faithful God, in baptism you have adopted us as your children, made us members of the body of Christ and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom: we thank you that in this Eucharist you renew your promises within us, empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Notices (please sit)

A collection is taken during the final hymn. Those preferring to donate online are invited to use our contactless donation point instead or follow the QR code on the front of the booklet.

Hymn (we stand)

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all life thou givest – to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish – but nought changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render: O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.**

*Words: William Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)*

*Music: 'St Denio' from a Welsh song in John Robert's Caniadau y Cyssegre, (1839)*

## *Blessing and Dismissal*

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Organ: In tribute to Dr. Francis Jackson (1917-2022) who died on Monday aged 104 and who played the inaugural recital of the organ here in Liverpool Parish Church in 1952 and also a lunchtime recital after the rebuild of the organ in 1983, John Winstanley will play Jackson's: Impromptu for Organ.*

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