



JOHN KEBLE CHURCH

Welcome to John Keble Church

13 September 2020, 10am

Parish Eucharist, *Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*

Series: The story of salvation

Today: The Fall

As the bell rings during the few minutes before the start of the service please sit and take a moment of peace and quiet to prepare yourself for the Eucharist.

As difficult as some of you may find it, please do not join in with any singing.

*All **stand** as the choir and Ministers enter the Church and THE HYMN is sung.*

The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above,
ancient of everlasting days,
and God of Love:

To him uplift your voice,
at whose supreme command
from earth we rise and seek the joys
at his right hand.

² 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:
Eternal Father, great I AM,
we worship thee.

³ 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.

Remain standing for THE GREETING:

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Presider: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

THE RITE OF PENITENCE:

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled against him. Let us then renounce our wilfulness and ask his mercy by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

We have followed in the path of our first parents, Adam and Eve

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

We have trusted the word of the deceiver rather than the word of your love

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

We have turned away from your and hid from your presence

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

THE ABSOLUTION:

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.*

THE COLLECT:

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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. *All: Amen*

All sit to read alternate verses of PSALM 114

1 When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of a strange tongue,

2 **Judah became his sanctuary, Israel his dominion.**

3 The sea saw that, and fled; Jordan was driven back.

4 **The mountains skipped like rams, the little hills like young sheep.**

5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? O Jordan, that you were driven back?

6 **You mountains, that you skipped like rams, you little hills like young sheep?**

7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob,

8 Who turns the hard rock into a pool of water, the flint-stone into a springing well.

Please remain seated for the FIRST READING: Genesis 3: 1-8

Now the snake was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say, "You must not eat from any tree in the garden"?''

²The woman said to the snake, 'We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³but God did say, "You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."''

⁴'You will not certainly die,' the snake said to the woman. ⁵'For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'

⁶When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. ⁷Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realised that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

⁸Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Please remain seated and do not join in as the choir sings:

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.

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

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

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

All stand to greet THE GOSPEL: Matthew 18; 21-35

THE GOSPEL READING:

Reader: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?'

²² Jesus answered, 'I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ 'Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. ²⁵ Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

²⁶ 'At this the servant fell on his knees before him.

"Be patient with me," he begged, "and I will pay back everything." ²⁷ The servant's master took pity on him, cancelled the debt and let him go.

²⁸ 'But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. "Pay back what you owe me!" he demanded. ²⁹ 'His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, "Be patient with me, and I will pay it back."

³⁰ 'But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. ³¹ When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

³² 'Then the master called the servant in. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. ³³ Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?" ³⁴ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

³⁵ 'This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON – all sit.

All stand to say THE APOSTLES CREED:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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. 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.

Presider: In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ let us pray to the Father.

All sit or kneel for THE INTERCESSIONS:

Using the form: Lord in your mercy:

Hear our prayer

And ending: Merciful Father **accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Following the intercessions all stand for THE PEACE:

Presider: Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of God be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Following THE PEACE, the bell is tolled three times to indicate the offering of our hearts to God.

All sit or kneel for THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues:

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high. Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

All: **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 Presider continues:

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Minister: Great is the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

The Presider continues:

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

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

The bell tolls three times to indicate that the bread and wine have been consecrated for the whole community.

THE LORD'S PRAYER and THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD:

Uniting our prayers with those of the Church Universal, we say in our own language the prayer that Jesus 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.

Presider: 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 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 INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*In order to receive communion please proceed to the altar rail via the **central aisle only**, and return to your seat via the **side aisles**.*

You will only receive the bread, and not the wine, and this will be put into your hand, not your mouth.

There are plates for your offering by the entrance to the Church (where is also the option to give by card), and also beside the choir stalls.

COMMUNION HYMN:

“Forgive our sins as we forgive”

You taught us, Lord, to pray;
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.

² How can your pardon reach and bless
the unforgiving heart
that broods on wrongs, and will not let
old bitterness depart?

³ In blazing light your cross reveals
the truth we dimly knew,
how small the debts men owe to us,
how great our debts to you.

⁴ Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
and bid resentment cease;
then, reconciled to God and man,
our lives will spread your peace.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYERS:

Let us pray *Silence is kept*

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: 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.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.	² Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; self denying, death defying, thou to Calvary didst go.
---	---

³Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

THE BLESSING:

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 among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

A Minister says THE DISMISSAL:

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