



JOHN KEBLE CHURCH

Welcome to John Keble Church

5 September 2021, 10am

Parish Eucharist, *Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*

Back-to-school Sunday

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.

Please stand as the Choir enters the Church. We will ALL sing the HYMN as the Ministers process to take their places.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
come ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen all that is needful hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
ponder anew all the Almighty can do,
he who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again:
gladly for ay we adore him.

Remain standing for THE GREETING:

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

All: **Amen.**

Presider: Peace be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

THE RITE OF PENITENCE:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

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 ABSOLUTION:

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.

All: **Amen.**

Remain standing to ALL sing THE GLORIA:

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.

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 sing Psalm 146

1 Praise the Lord O my soul, while I live will I / praise the / Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing / praises / unto · my / God.

2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any / child of / man : for there / is no / help in / them.

3 For when the breath of man goeth forth, he shall turn a-/gain to · his / earth : and then / all his / thoughts / perish.

4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob / for his / help : and whose hope is / in the / Lord his / God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that / therein / is : who / keepeth · his / promise · for / ever;

6 Who helpeth them to right that / suffer / wrong : who / feed-/eth the / hungry.

7 The Lord looseth men / out of / prison : the Lord giveth / sight / to the / blind.

8 The Lord helpeth / them that · are / fallen : the Lord / careth / for the / righteous.

9 The Lord careth for the strangers, he defendeth the / fatherless · and / widow : as for the way of the ungodly he / turneth · it / upside / down.

10 The Lord thy God O Sion, shall be King for / ever-/more : and through-/out all / gene-/rations.

Please remain seated for the FIRST READING: James 2: 1-10

My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favouritism. ²Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. ³If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, 'Here's a good seat for you,' but say to the poor man, 'You stand there' or 'Sit on the floor by my feet,' ⁴have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

⁵Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong?

⁸If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, 'Love your neighbour as yourself,' you are doing right. ⁹But if you show favouritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as law-breakers. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

All stand to sing the GRADUAL HYMN:

Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom,
come to him and bless his name.

Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever,
faithful to the end of days.

*Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.*

*Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.*

Power he has wielded, honour is his garment,
risen from the snares of death.

His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken,
new life he now gives to all.

Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow,
Spirit of our God most high;
solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner,
splendour of the living God.

Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet,
praise God with the lute and harp;
praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing,
praise God till the end of days.

All stand to greet THE GOSPEL

THE GOSPEL READING: Mark 7: 24-end

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴ Jesus left that place and went to the vicinity of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know it; yet he could not keep his presence secret. ²⁵ In fact, as soon as she heard about him, a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an impure spirit came and fell at his feet. ²⁶ The woman was a Greek, born in Syrian Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to drive the demon out of her daughter.

²⁷ 'First let the children eat all they want,' he told her, 'for it is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs.'

²⁸ 'Lord,' she replied, 'even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.'

²⁹ Then he told her, 'For such a reply, you may go; the demon has left your daughter.'

³⁰ She went home and found her child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

³¹ Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. ³² There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him.

³³ After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spat and touched the man's tongue. ³⁴ He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, 'Ephphatha!' (which means 'Be opened!'). ³⁵ At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosed and he began to speak plainly.

³⁶ Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. ³⁷ People were overwhelmed with amazement. 'He has done everything well,' they said. 'He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON – all sit.

ANTHEM: God be in my head – Sir Henry Walford Davies

God be in my head, and in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;

God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at mine end, and at my departing.

All stand to say THE NICENE 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.

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 the Lord 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 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.

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.**

We all sing together 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.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
Where there is injury your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, let me bring your light;
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
In giving of ourselves that we receive;
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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.

THE POST COMMUNION HYMN:

Lord, the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us,
Shine on me, shine on me: *Refrain*

² Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
by your blood I may enter your brightness,
search me try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me: *Refrain*

*Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!*

³ As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me. *Refrain*

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.

Dates for your diaries

Sunday 19th September – at 3pm: Songs of Praise

- with favourite hymns chosen by members of the congregation. It will also include a service of **Evensong**, so some of the hymns will be incorporated into that service (although the exact plans have not been finalised). After the hymns/service we will join together for a cup of tea and some cake. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us. It should be a great occasion to be able to sing together again.

Sunday 24th September: Harvest Festival

- followed by Bring & Share Lunch in the Church Hall

Saturday 30th October at 2pm: Jumble Sale

- collections are taking place in the hall from Monday 25th to Thursday 28th October between 7pm and 9pm. If you would like your donations to be collected, please call 020 89059 9076.

Friday 5th November (eve): short fireworks display in the church grounds

Sunday 12th December: 6:30pm Carol Service

Sunday 19th December: Sunday service followed by Christmas Brunch

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