

# Choral Eucharist

10.30am 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021 – Trinity 5

## Gathering

### Attending this Service in Person in Church

If you are coming to church for this service, please bring this order of service with you if you can, on a device or print the paper copy at home and bring it with you. However people arriving in church without their own order of service will be given a shortened service sheet.

It is required that face coverings should be worn by everyone in church. We welcome this as part making church services as safe as possible for people to attend, and as a sign of our desire to protect others from possible infection.

### Logging on to the Live Stream

1. The live stream will start at about 10.25am in preparation for the service.
2. Go to our website [www.stmaryletower.org.uk](http://www.stmaryletower.org.uk) and find the “**LIVE Streamed Services**” title and click to go to our **Facebook Live** page.
3. Click on the service video. When the video opens you will need to click on the loudspeaker icon to unmute it and hear the sound.

### Music before the Service

Intrada – John Ireland

*Organist: William Baldry*

### Welcome and Introduction

*The minister gives some NOTICES, and INTRODUCES the service.*

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

The Lord be with you,  
**The Lord bless you.**

### Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, ‘Repent for the Kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’ So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*Remaining standing, we keep a time of quiet for reflection.*

The kingdom is yours, but we turn away from your just rule: Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

The power is yours, but we trust in our own power and strength: Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

The glory is yours, but we fall short of the glory of God: Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

The God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Gloria (Nardone)

*Please stand. Sung by the Choir*

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.**

### Prayer for the Day (The Collect)

The Lord be with you,  
**The Lord bless you.**

*We keep a period of silent prayer together.*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer  
which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Listening for the Word from God

**First Reading: 2 Corinthians 12.2-end**  
*read by Ruth Longhurst.*

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven (whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows.) And I know that such a person (whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows) was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat.

On behalf of such a one, I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations.

Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

For the gift of his living word;  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Anthem *(Bevan)*

*Sung by the Choir.*

There's a wideness in God's mercy  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more keenly felt than heaven;  
there is no place where earth's failings  
have such gracious judgement given.

There is plentiful redemption  
throughout the blood that Christ has shed;  
there is joy for all the members  
in the sorrows of the head.  
For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of our mind,  
and the heart of the eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple  
we should take him at his word,  
and our lives would be illumined  
by the glory of the Lord.

### Gospel: Luke 7.11-19

*read by a young person from the choir.*

Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean.

Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### All-age Talk

Revd Canon Charles Jenkin

### Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith in God, the Holy Trinity.

Do you believe and trust in God, the creator of all things?

**We believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist.**

Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh?

**We believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who reveals the Father and the Son?

**We believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world.**

Is this your faith?

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### Intercession

*Led by Sonia Docherty, Elder. Please kneel or sit.*

*Look upon us, O Lord, and let all the darkness of our souls vanish before the beams of thy brightness. Fill us with holy love, and open to us the treasures of thy wisdom.*

We pray for the mission and unity of the Church throughout the World, praying today for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea. In our diocese we pray

for the Samford Deanery and the Shoreline Benefice.

Here at the Tower, we give thanks for Charles' leadership and for the preparations he has helped us make for the next stage of our journey. We give thanks for having Susan in our midst and for all the work she continues to do behind the scenes. As we embark on the next stage, guide us dear Lord, and help us to always keep you at the heart of everything we do.

Be with the PCC as they consider all options presented to them and let the Holy Spirit steer them when it's time to make decisions. Lord as with your disciples who went out into the community with nothing but their faith let your grace be sufficient for us so that when we are weak, then we are strong.

*Lord, hour by hour, Be thou our Guide,  
That, by that power, No step may slide.*

Lord in your mercy; **hear our prayer.**

Lord we pray for all those who continue to be affected by the pandemic around the world. We pray particularly for children whose education, development and wellbeing are being severely impacted due to the restrictions.

We pray for children in poorer countries where health care and vaccination programmes are not as advanced as they are in the West and where children are being forced back into labour to help support their families. We pray for world leaders as they look for ways to address these issues and ensure that all countries and communities have similar access to health services.

Here in our country, we pray for our Prime Minister, the government and all advisors as they deliberate on lifting restrictions as we head to what society has dubbed 'Freedom Day'.

Lord in your mercy; **hear our prayer.**

We pray for peace and understanding around the world in particular where communities have been persecuted in the past, and continue to be persecuted around the world purely on the basis of their race or culture.

We pray for dialogue rather than violence; willingness to listen and understand the other point of view rather than act in anger; forgiveness, reconciliation and working together to find a better way for the future rather than dwelling on the past. We pray for all those caught up in such situations and for those working to bring about reconciliation.

Lord in your mercy; **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are unwell or facing difficulties, we pray particularly for Penny Parke, and Jaydon McConnachy. We continue to pray for Derek le May, Sally Patient, and Helen Burtonshaw, Grace Chandler, Ian Miller, Phyl Fisk, Joyce Courage and John Bradberry.

We pray rest in peace and rise in glory for those who have recently died including Valery Myravyov and for those who are bereaved. We give thanks for the lives of those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: John Jex, Dennis Lant, Ronald and Joyce Christian, and Ruth Pearce.

Lord in your mercy; **hear our prayer.**

*Eternal God and Father, help us to entrust the past to your mercy, the present to your love, and the future to your wisdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who is the same yesterday, and today, and for ever. Amen*

**Merciful Father; accept these prayers,  
For the sake of your Son,  
Our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*Please stand.*

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you;  
**and also with you.**

### The Gifts of the People

*St Mary-le-Tower faces considerable financial challenges at this time and everyone is invited to make a generous contribution by one method or another.*

*Donations may be made using as follows:*

- *Regular giving by Standing Order*
- *The Donation Button on our website*
- *Via BACS to 30-94-55, 00059383  
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### Offertory Anthem (Parry)

*Please sit, while the minister prepares the Holy Table, and the choir sings.*

There is no rose of such virtue  
As is the rose that bare Jesu, Alleluia.

For in this rose contained was  
Heaven and earth in little space, Res miranda.

By that rose we may well see  
That he is God in persons three, Pares forma.

The angels sungen the shepherds to:  
Gloria in excelsis deo: Gaudeamus.

Leave we all this worldly mirth,  
And follow we this joyful birth, Transeamus.

Alleluia, res miranda,  
Pares forma, gaudeamus, transeamus.

## Offertory Sentence

*Please stand, as the minister takes the offering plate. Recalling our giving for God's work of in the life and mission of our Church, the minister says:*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here:

**His Spirit is with us.**

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**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,  
your face is turned towards your world.  
In love you gave us Jesus your Son  
to rescue us from sin and death.  
Your Word goes out to call us home  
to the city where angels sing your praise.  
We join with them in heaven's song:

*The Sanctus is sung by the choir (Nardone)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The Benedictus is sung by the choir.*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all. Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

This is his story.

**This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is his story.

**This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

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

*We keep a time of quiet together while the Sanctus bell is rung.*

## Breaking Bread

As our Saviour taught us, so we 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.  
And forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory, are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

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 (Nardone)

*Sung by the choir:*

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

## Holy Communion

*Please all stand.*

*The minister proclaims and all respond:*

The Body of Christ; the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ; the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

*The People may make a sign of the cross to affirm their participation in the Body of Christ, and in the blessing of this Eucharistic celebration.*

*The Minister receives the Bread and the Wine on*

*behalf of the Body of Christ at St Mary-le-Tower.*

*Communion will be administered to the people remaining in their places, and the minister will move to people around the church. Communion will be administered one kind only. The Bread will be carefully dropped into people's hands, so that there is no physical contact.*

*If you wish to receive, please hold out your crossed hands as the minister approaches. Please do not remove your mask to eat the bread until after the minister has passed by.*

*If you require a gluten free wafer, please remain standing but without holding out your hands, and the minister will return with gluten free bread.*

*Those in church who prefer to do so, are welcome to participate through Spiritual Communion, in the same way that as those participating online are doing. Whenever and wherever we are, in this Holy Communion we are united by the Holy Spirit in the Body of Christ, given to us in baptism.*

*Communion is administered strictly in accordance with Bishops guidelines. Communion is given in one kind only, and the Bishops assure everyone that this is entirely as spiritually beneficial as receiving in both kinds.*

## Prayer after Communion

*When administration of Communion is ended, we pray together:*

**Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so  
peaceably ordered by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you  
in all godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Sending Out

### Mission Hymn

*Due to Coronavirus regulations, it is sadly not yet permitted for the congregation to sing in church. Please follow the words and sing them in your heart. Please do join in at home if you wish!*

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all;  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
the wrath of God was satisfied –  
For ev'ry sin on him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am his and he is mine;  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death;  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till he returns or calls me home -  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

## 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.  
**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Organ Voluntary

Sortie in E flat - Louis James Alfred Lefébure-Wély

*The livestream continues until the end of the Voluntary*

## After the Service

*Under Lockdown Coronavirus Regulations it is not yet permitted for people to gather to chat in church, but it is permitted for groups of six to gather in the churchyard after services.*

*If you wish to speak to the vicar or another member of staff, it is best to do this currently by phone or email:*

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