

ST. LAURENCE CHURCH, HAWKHURST

A Service of Holy Communion

The sidesmen are Diana Ringer and Ali Jones

Introit Hymn

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell;

Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make; We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise; Approach with joy His courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless His name always,

For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good;

His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, The God whom Heaven and earth adore,

From men and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore.

The Vicar says

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.

Alleluia. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Vicar introduces the service in these words:

We gather this day to worship almighty God, and to pray for our King, that, both now and always, God may grant him wisdom and grace for his ministry among us.

Prayers of Penitence

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Vicar says

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.

Amen.

The Gloria is sung.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

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. Glory to God 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. Glory to God

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. *Glory to God*

The Collect

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles, and all who are in authority under him; that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name, and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah read by Alison Jones

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance?

Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,

or as his counsellor has instructed

him?

Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,

and who taught him the path of justice?

Who taught him knowledge,

and showed him the way of understanding?

Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket,

and are accounted as dust on the scales;

see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.

Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,

nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.

All the nations are as nothing before him;

they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

To whom then will you compare me,

or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,

calling them all by name;

because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,

'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'?

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,

the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint,

and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary,

and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

they shall mount up with wings like eagles,

they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

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

Gradual Hymn

Christ is the King! O friends rejoice; brothers and sisters with one voice tell all the world he is your choice. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Oh magnify the Lord, and raise anthems of joy and holy praise for Christ's brave saints of ancient days.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

They with a faith forever new followed the King, and round him drew

thousands of faithful servants true. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia O Christian women, Christian men, all the world over, seek again the way disciples followed then. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Christ through all ages is the same: place the same hope in his great name,

with the same faith his word proclaim.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Let love's unconquerable might your scattered companies unite in service to the Lord of light. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

So shall God's will on earth be done, new lamps be lit, new tasks begun, and the whole church at last be one. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

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

Reflection

The 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.

Prayers led by Anne Wheelhouse

Almighty God, you reign over all things in wisdom, power, and love. Hear our prayers which we offer in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For Charles our King, that you may pour upon him abundant gifts

to help him fulfil the promises made at his coronation:

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

That he will have the grace, wisdom, and strength to live a life of service to you and to his people:

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

For Camilla the Queen Consort, William Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales, and all the Royal Family; that they may love and support the King as he bears the burden of his office:

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

For the building up of the Church under its Supreme Governor, for the building up of all Christian people, and for mutual understanding and fellowship between all people of faith: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

For this United Kingdom, for His Majesty's other Realms and Territories, for the whole Commonwealth of Nations, for their governments and ministers, and for all who are called to public service,

that they will seek justice, mercy, and peace:

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of all people, for those who care for others and for the environment, and for all in need: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

For the sick and the suffering: Gillian Robinson, Robbie Robinson, Eleanor Ash, Colin White, David Winston, Christian Jervis-Read, John Tanner, Jill Fitzpatrick, Geraldine Nurney, Don Buckle Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

We pray those whose years' mind falls at this time: Simon Edwards, Davis Cutmore, Stella Keaney, Alfred Scrivener, Anthony Smith, Sheila Pope, Thomas Weguelin, Henry Husey, Joscelyn Thompson, Grace Parsons, Albert Richard, Mark Webber, Heather Murphy, David Wood, Robert Botha, Vera Boulton, Ione McEwen, Sylvia Parkinson. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen. The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

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 thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save; his glories now we sing who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified; no angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends their burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time, creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.

All hail, Redeemer, hail!

for thou hast died for me;

thy praise shall never, never fail

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.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

The Vicar prays:

Heavenly Father, as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine, bless also the gift of our hearts and minds as we offer our lives in your service; for Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen

The Eucharistic Prayer

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,

holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with the oil of gladness

you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,

to be our great high priest and king of all creation.

As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace. As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace. And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory

and join their unending hymn of praise:

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.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends

and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,

in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice

made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,

we proclaim his death and resurrection

until he comes in glory.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, for we all partake of the 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. A Prayer for those joining us on Zoom who are making their Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above `all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The Distribution of Communion

The Vicar says: 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.

The Chalice bearers today are: Andrea Higgins and Alison Parsons

We advise those who do not wish to receive the wine to indicate this by

raising their hand when offered it. <u>Please do NOT dip the host in the</u> wine.

Post Communion Hymn

Lord, enthroned in heav'nly splendour, first-begotten from the dead, Thou alone, our strong Defender, liftest up Thy people's head. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Jesus, true and living Bread!

Prince of Life, for us Thou livest, by Thy body souls are healed; Prince of Peace, Thy peace Thou givest,

by Thy blood is pardon sealed. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Word of God in flesh revealed.

Paschal Lamb! Thine offring finished

once for all when Thou wast slain, in its fullness undiminished shall forevermore remain. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Cleansing souls from ev'ry stain.

Great High Priest of our profession, through the oil Thou ent'redst in; by Thy mighty intercession grace and mercy Thou dost win. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Only sacrifice for sin.

Life-imparting heav'nly Manna, stricken Rock, with streaming side, heav'n and earth with loud hosanna worship Thee, the Lamb who died. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Ris'n, ascended, glorified!

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

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.

All Amen.

All 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 Blessing

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall, bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him you martyrs of our God, who witnessed to his call; exalt the one whose path you trod, and crown him Lord of all.

Descendants of his chosen race you ransomed from the Fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love cannot forget the wormwood and the gall, go spread your offering at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

Let every people, nation, tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.

O that in heaven with that great throng, we at his feet may fall,

join in the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

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

Let us bless the Lord **Thanks be to God**

May the divine assistance remain with us always.

And with all our brothers and sisters in Christ.

May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **And rise in glory. Amen.**

The National Anthem is sung:

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King. Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us: God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store On him be pleased to pour, Long may he reign. May he defend our laws, And ever give us cause, To sing with heart and voice, God save the King.

<u>Retiring Organ Voluntary -</u> <u>Please</u> sit for the organ voluntary