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St. Laurence Parish Church  
Hawkhurst - Parish Eucharist  
Service.

11. 6. 2023 - The Feast of  
Corpus Christi Year A

Please Note: The Zoom details  
for this service are:

Meeting ID: 457 244 0784

Passcode: 5i1UCa

The Sidesmen today are: Judy  
Darkins and Ali Jones

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET  
HOME WITH YOU

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Hymn (Please stand if you are  
able)

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all,  
hear me, blest Saviour, when I  
call;

hear me, and from thy dwelling  
place

pour down the riches of thy grace.

*Refrain:*

*Jesus, my Lord, I thee adore;*

*O make me love thee more and  
more.*

Jesus, too late I thee have sought;  
how can I love thee as I ought?

And how extol thy matchless  
fame,  
the glorious beauty of thy name?  
*[Refrain]*

Jesus, what didst thou find in me  
that thou hast dealt so lovingly?  
How great the joy that thou hast  
brought,  
so far exceeding hope or thought!  
*[Refrain]*

Jesus, of thee shall be my song;  
to thee my heart and soul belong;  
all that I have or am is thine,  
and thou, blest Saviour, thou art  
mine. *[Refrain]*

In the Name of God: Father, Son  
and the Holy Spirit . **Amen.**

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

Collect for Purity

**Almighty God to whom all  
hearts are open all desires  
known and from whom no  
secrets are hid cleanse the  
thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of your Holy Spirit  
that we may perfectly love you  
and worthily magnify your holy  
Name; through Christ our Lord.  
Amen**

Penitence

The sacrifice of God is a broken  
spirit; a broken and contrite heart  
God will not despise. Let us come

to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you through our own fault in thought, word, and deed and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name.**

*We sing:*

Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*We sing:*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS  
*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 of the Day

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruits of your redemption; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*Prayer before receiving the Word of God — Before we read, we pray together.....*

**Eternal God, in the reading of the Scriptures, may your Word be heard;  
In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and  
In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown.  
Amen.**

The First Reading read by Rachel Elliott

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

## Gradual Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
"Jesus, out of ev'ry nation  
has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,  
here on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, hear our plea  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us;  
faith believes, nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight  
received him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his  
promise:  
"I am with you evermore"?

### **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the living bread that came  
down from heaven, says the Lord;  
whoever eats this bread will live  
forever.

### **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
**Glory to Christ our Lord**

Jesus said to the Jewish crowds:  
"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;  
whoever eats this bread will live forever;  
and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

The Jews quarrelled among themselves, saying,  
"How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

Jesus said to them,  
"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven.

Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died,  
whoever eats this bread will live forever."

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

### The Reflection

The Creed - said together

**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 Prayers of the Church - led by Norma Crowe

Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered around your altar.

In faith we pray: **we pray to you our God.**

Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body to be our spiritual food, listen as we pray for his body the Church, spread throughout the world ...

In faith we pray: **we pray to you our God.**

Here, where we recognise the presence of Christ, who takes away the sin of the world, listen as we pray for that world and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed ...

In faith we pray: **we pray to you our God.**

Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his friends to give us this meal of holy fellowship, listen as we pray for all whom you have given us, our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours ...

In faith we pray: **we pray to you our God.**

Here, where we remember the night of Christ's agony and trial, listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings through fear or pain or distress of many kinds ... We pray for Gillian Robinson, Robbie Robinson, Eleanor Ash, Colin White, David Winston, Christian Jervis-Read, Jan Edwards, Jill Fitzpatrick, Geraldine Nurney, Don Buckle, Neil Lagden.

In faith we pray: **we pray to you our God.**

Here, where we join our praises with the whole company of heaven, listen as we pray for all who have trusted Christ's promise to raise up on the last day those who eat his flesh and drink his blood ... We pray for

Those recently departed: Joanna Baker, John Garlick, Roy Pringle  
And all those whose years' mind occur this month: Emily Arnold,

Leila Philips, Colin Patterson,  
Marguerite Dunlop, Sheila Davis,  
Patsy Horner,  
Sandy Jones, Leslie Parsons,  
Norman French, Peter Maugham,  
Scarlett Reader, Ronald Poole,  
Ray Phillips, David William Potter,  
Lewis Waghorn,  
Trevor Thomas  
In faith we pray ; **we pray to you  
our God.**

Lord, satisfy our hunger with the  
food that lasts, the bread of God  
which comes down from heaven  
and gives life to the world, Jesus  
Christ your Son our Lord.

In the silence of our hearts we  
offer to God our own particular  
prayers....  
In faith we pray ; **we pray to you  
our God.**

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

### The Peace

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: If,  
when you are bringing your gift to  
the altar, you remember your  
brother or sister has a grievance  
against you, leave your gift where  
it lies before the altar. Go, make  
peace; and only then come and  
offer your gift.

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

### Hymn (Please stand if you are able)

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 offering  
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!

### **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

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 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.**

*The Priest continues with the  
Eucharistic Prayer Preface and  
then all sing:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of  
your glory.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna  
in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in  
the highest.**

*(Sit/kneel)*

*The Priest continues, recalling  
and remembering with us the Last  
Supper..... then we sing:  
Great is the mystery of faith:*

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

*At the End of the next part of the Eucharistic Prayer we respond 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.**

WE BREAK BREAD

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

**Though we are many, we are one body**

We sing together

**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.**

WE SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION

**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.**

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.**

The Chalice bearers today are:  
Andrea Higgins and Alison Parsons

Communion Hymn

Sweet Sacrament divine,  
hid in thine earthly home,  
lo, round thy lowly shrine,  
with suppliant hearts we come;



Jesus, to thee our voice we raise  
in songs of love and heartfelt  
praise:

sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,  
dear home for every heart,  
where restless yearnings cease  
and sorrows all depart;  
there in thine ear all trustfully  
we tell our tale of misery:  
sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,  
ark from the ocean's roar,  
within thy shelter blest  
soon may we reach the shore;  
save us, for still the tempest  
rages,  
save, lest we sink beneath the  
waves:  
sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,  
earth's light and jubilee,  
in thy far depths doth shine  
thy Godhead's majesty;  
sweet light, so shine on us, we  
pray,  
that earthly joys may fade away:  
sweet Sacrament divine.

#### Post - Communion Prayers

Give thanks to the Lord for God is  
gracious

**God's mercy endures for ever.**

All praise to you, our God and  
Father, for you have fed us with  
the bread of heaven and

quenched our thirst from the true  
vine: hear our prayer that, being  
grafted into Christ, we may grow  
together in unity and feast with  
him in his kingdom; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. **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.**

#### WE GO IN CHRIST'S PEACE

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

#### The Blessing

Christ, who has nourished us with  
himself the living bread, make you  
one in praise and love, and raise  
you up at the last day; and the  
blessing of God almighty, the  
Father, the Son, and the Holy  
Spirit, be among you and remain  
with you always. **Amen**

#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the  
Lord.

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

#### Notices

Hymn (Please stand if you are  
able)

Guide me, O my great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but you are mighty;

hold me with your powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of  
heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain,  
where the healing waters flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong  
Deliverer,  
ever be my strength and shield,  
ever be my strength and shield.  
When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell's  
Destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of  
praises  
I will ever sing to you,  
I will ever sing to you.

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.**

**Please sit for the Organ  
Voluntary**

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**NOTICES**

**VILLAGE FETE HELP PLEASE**

- St Laurence Church have  
been asked to once again  
organise the Tea Stall at the  
Village Summer Fete,  
on Saturday 17th June. We  
need volunteers to help with  
setting up the stall, to serve the  
tea as well as donations of  
cakes, please. A sign-up sheet  
is available on the notice table -  
please sign if you are able to  
help and indicate if you are able  
to donate cake. For further  
details speak to Sandra 754459  
/ [sanrosdrever1@gmail.com](mailto:sanrosdrever1@gmail.com)

**THE TEA STALL WILL RUN  
FROM 12 TO 5pm so lots of  
help is needed, please.**

**BOTTLES ARE WANTED FOR  
THE VILLAGE FETE ON**

**SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE** – the  
church choir will be running a  
'Bottle Tombola' at the fete and  
would like any type of filled 'bottle'  
for the tombola. There will be a  
collection box under the table at  
the side of the church.

**WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST** at  
Bowles Lodge ~ 10.00a.m.  
Please do join us.

## **PARISH GIVING SCHEME**

**(PGS)** – please be reminded that the way the Church will be collecting and accounting for regular and / or planned giving changed from the end of April 2023. Information packs are available at the side of the church. Your participation in the new scheme is very much encouraged.

## **SUMMER SUNDAY LUNCH**

**PARTY** – will be held on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, from 12.30pm.  
Tickets are on sale now.  
**£10 adults & £5 children**

Please bring a chair to sit on as the lunch party will be held behind the church.  
A cash bar will be available.

## AT YOUR SERVICE

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