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St. Laurence Parish Church Hawkhurst - Parish Eucharist Service.

2. 6. 2024 - The Feast of Corpus Christi Year B

Please Note: The Zoom details for this service are:

Meeting ID: 457 244 0784

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The Sidesmen today are: Kate
Lagden and Ali Jones

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# <u>Hymn</u> (Please stand if you are able)

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r; crown your ancient Church's story,

bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage

for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways. From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days.

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Cure your children's warring madness;

bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness,

rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage

lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

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

receive our prayer.

the Father:

# 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 Anne Wheelhouse

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 fork 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**

Love is his word, love is his way, feasting with men, fasting alone, living and dying, rising again, Love, only love, is his way.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his way, love is his mark, sharing his last Passover feast, Christ at his table, host to the twelve.

Love, only love, is his mark.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his mark, love is his sign, bread for our strength, wine for our joy,

"This is my body, this is my blood", Love, only love, is his sign.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his sign, love is his news, "Do this," he said, "lest you forget all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood."

Love, only love, is his news.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his news, love is his name,

we are his own, chosen and called,

family, brethren, cousins and kin. Love, only love, is his name.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his name, love is his law. Hear his command, all who are his:

"Love one another, I have loved you."

Love, only love, is his law.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his law, love is his word: love of the Lord, Father and Word, love of the Spirit, God ever one. Love, only love, is his word.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:

better than splendour and wealth.

# 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 Jane Cooper

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 Rebecca McQuillan, Robbie Robinson, Eleanor Ash, David Winstone, Jill Fitzpatrick, John Tanner, Hilary Deller, Les Dickson, Irene Bow, Hannah and Chloe. 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: Vernon Selman, Mrs Pat Horner, Valerie Fussell and Adrian Moon.

And all those whose years' mind occur this month: Emily Arnold, Leila Philips, Colin Patterson, Marguerite Dunlop, Sheila Davis, Patsy Horner, Alexander 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)

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,

bow down before him, his glory proclaim;

with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness.

kneel and adore him the Lord is his name.

Low at his feet lay your burden of carefulness,

high on his heart he will bear it for you,

comfort your sorrows and answer your prayerfulness,

guiding your steps in the way that is true.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness

of the poor wealth you would count as your own;

truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness

these are the offerings to bring to his throne.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,

he will accept for the name that is dear:

mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,

trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,

bow down before him, his glory proclaim;

with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,

kneel and adore him the Lord is his name.

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRA-MENT

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.

#### The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen** 

# 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: Alison Parsons and Peter Hodges

#### **Communion Hymn**

An Upper Room did our Lord prepare

for those he loved until the end: and his disciples still gather there to celebrate their Risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down,

he by his Cross shall lift us up.

And after Supper he washed their feet

for service, too, is sacrament. In him our joy shall be made complete –

sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace,

he loves beyond the uttermost: in every room in our Father's house

he will be there as Lord and Host.

## 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**

<u>Hymn</u> (Please stand if you are able)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Come, all who hear; now to his temple draw near,

join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, above all things so wondrously reigning; sheltering you under his wings,

and so gently sustaining! Have you not seen all that is needful has been

sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you; surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,

if with his love he befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him. Let the Amen sound from his peo-

ple again; gladly forever adore him.

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

#### AT YOUR SERVICE

<u>Vicar:</u> The Revd Canon Rodney Drever (On Sabbatical Leave)

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#### **NOTICES**

<u>Queries</u> – during the Vicar's sabbatical leave, please direct queries to the new churchwardens (details above).

Hawkhurst Village Summer
Fète Saturday 8th June - We still need more helpers to run the Tea Stall on behalf of St Laurence Church. Please sign the list which can be found on the side notice table. If you are baking cakes, please remember to give a list of the ingredients. Cakes can be brought to the stall on the day by 12noon, or can be brought to the Vicarage on Friday 7th from 4pm onwards.

<u>Bottle Tombola</u> - please bring bottles for the tombola at the fete. It will be run by the church choir.

<u>Village Fete Raffle</u> – Ali Jones will be selling raffle tickets after today's service. £1 per ticket

**Bowles Lodge** - during the months of June, July and August, the 10am. Service at Bowles Lodge will be held once a month on the third Wednesday of each month.