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St. Laurence Parish Church
Hawkhurst - Parish Eucharist
Service.

04. 08. 2024 - The 10th Sunday
after Trinity Year B

Please Note: The Zoom details
for this service are:
Meeting ID: 457 244 0784
Passcode: 5i1Uca

We thank Rev. Judy Darkins for
being our celebrant and preacher
today

The Sidesmen today are: Diana
Hunt and Kate Lagden

Opening Hymn (Please stand if
you are able)

And can it be that I should gain
And Int'rest in the Saviour's
blood?
Died he for me, who caused his
pain?
For me, who him to death
pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, should die for
me?

*Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die
for me?*

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies:
Who can explore his strange
design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love
divine!
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,

Let angel minds inquire no more.
He left his Father's throne above
So free, so infinite his grace;
Emptied himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless
race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's
night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning
ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with
light;
My chains fell off, my heart was
free;
I rose, went forth, and followed
thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness
divine,
Bold I approach the eternal
throne,
And claim the crown, through
Christ my own.

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

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be
open to the prayers of your
humble servants; and that they
may obtain their petitions make
them to ask such things as shall
please you; 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. **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 Julian van Kan

A reading from the epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. Chapter 4 beginning at verse 1

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. This is why it says: "When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people." (What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? He who

descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn (Please stand if you are able)

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice;

Rejoice, again, I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Saviour reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above.

His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n.

He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

We do not live by bread alone,
But by every word that comes
from the mouth of God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to John [6:24-35]

Glory to Christ our Lord

Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that spoils, but for

food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."

Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

So they asked him, "What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

"Sir," they said, "always give us this bread."

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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 Anne Wheelhouse

Everlasting God Help us to understand the way that you would like things to be done and to be ready to follow your ways until we too can enter the wide open doors of heaven.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

Almighty God you want us hold the needs of our sisters and brothers in Christ as dear to us as ourselves. Help us to love our neighbours as ourselves as we offer our thanks and our intercessions on behalf of the church here and throughout the world.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

Lord of the Church, we pray for your Church to bear witness to your love for all people and we pray for those who lead us for our Bishops Justin and Rose, our vicar Rodney and for all the clergy celebrating with us during Fr. Rodney's sabbatical. We pray for all those with roles of leadership in our local churches and communities and we pray for your guidance and wisdom for them.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

Creator God we pray for all those on holiday this Summer both here and abroad. Thank you for the refreshment which holidays bring to their lives, for the freedom from routine and for the new experiences and opportunities they

have as they explore the countryside and relax in various resorts. Thank you for the gift of your wonderful creation and help us to be good stewards especially in our leisure time.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

We pray for your world. We pray for the leaders of the nations, for those in local government, those whose job involves making decisions that affect us all. We pray for a spirit of fairness and a desire for peace and true flourishing for all people.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

We pray for those we know who are sick or suffering in body mind or spirit. We pray for all those in caring professions and those whose care for loved ones is unseen and unpaid. We pray for all who are housebound, all who are fearful and all who are anxious. We pray too for those who feel they have no one else to pray for them. We pray for Charles our King,

Catherine, Princess of Wales and Anne, Princess Royal.

In our own parish we pray for Rebecca McQuillan, Robbie Robinson,

Eleanor Ash, David Winstone, Jill Fitzpatrick, John Tanner, Hilary Deller,

Les Dickson, Irene Bow, David Colquhoun, Mike Appelbe, Brian Elliott,

Hannah, Chloe, Emma, Georgie Whitaker and any others known to us at this time who are sick.

Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are near to death and for those who will die today. We remember those who we have loved but see no longer and we trust in your promise of eternal life. We pray for comfort for those who mourn and for peace for all whose earthly life is almost complete. We remember: Those recently departed: Zia Armitage, Malcolm Jones.

And all those whose years' mind occur this month: Carol Ann Larkin, Gillian Catherine Robinson, Olivia Mason, Cecil Bishop, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Douglas Stanley Nurney, Eric John Warren, Gordon Garwood-Warren, Christopher Golding, William Livermore, Eunice Botha, Gwendolen Joan Clarkson, Gerald Abbey, Philip Frederick Skeet.

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

God of power, hear our prayers, and through the ministry of your Son free us from the grip of the world and all that is evil. Lead us as we go forward into another week strengthened and upheld by your love, the knowledge of the

Gospel and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

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

The Peace

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

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn (Please stand if you are able)

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless
praise.

Take my hands, and let them
move

At the impulse of thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:

It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart: it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.

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 tempta-
tion; 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 because we all share
in one bread.**

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 re-
ceive 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:
Andrea Higgins and Alison Parsons

Communion Hymn (Please remain seated and join in singing)

Glory be to Jesus
Who, in bitter pains,
Poured for me the lifeblood
From his sacred veins.

Grace and life eternal
In that blood I find:
Blest be his compassion,
Infinitely kind.

Blest, through endless ages,
Be the precious stream
Which, from endless torment,
Did the world redeem.

There the fainting spirit
Drinks of life her fill;
There, as in a fountain,
Laves herself at will.

Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies,
But the blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.

Oft as it is sprinkled
On our guilty hearts
Satan in confusion
Terror-struck departs.

Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high
Angel hosts rejoicing,
Make their glad reply.

Lift, then, all your voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder,
Praise the precious blood.

Post - Communion Prayers the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way

of life; 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 ...

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Notices

Recessional Hymn (Please stand if you are able)

God is working his purpose out
As year succeeds to year.
God is working his purpose out,
And the day is drawing near.
Nearer and nearer draws the time,
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

From the east to the utmost west

Wherever foot has trod,
Through the mouths of his messengers
Echoes forth the voice of God:
'Listen to me, ye continents,
Ye islands, give ear to me,
That the earth shall be filled with
the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.'

How can we do the work of God,
How prosper and increase
Harmony in the human race,
And the reign of perfect peace?
What can we do to urge the time,
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea?

March we forth in the strength of
God,
His banner is unfurled;
Let the light of the gospel shine
In the darkness of the world:
Strengthen the weary, heal the
sick
And set ev'ry captive free,
That the earth shall be filled with
the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

All our efforts are nothing worth
Unless God bless the deed;
Vain our hopes for the harvest
tide
Till he brings to life the seed.
Yet ever nearer draws the time,
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled
with the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

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 de-
parted through the mercy of God,
rest in peace. **And rise in glory.
Amen.**

Please sit for the Organ Volun-
tary

NOTICES

Prayers for August are availa-
ble on the Church website and
on the table at the back of the
church.

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. (The next service will be
August 21st).

**Sustainability Committee Re-
quest** – as part of the committee's
work towards the Eco Church
Bronze Award, a working party

will be held on Saturday 24th Au-
gust from 9 a.m. The aim is to
clear two areas at the back of the
church. If you are able to offer to
help please indicate your willing-
ness by signing the list at the back
of the church. If you have a strim-
mer and /or other tools to clear
brambles, this would be most
helpful.
Beverages will also be provided.

AT YOUR SERVICE

Vicar: The Revd Canon
Rodney Dreyer (On Sabbatical
Leave)

Queries – during the Vicar's sab-
batical leave, please direct que-
ries to the churchwardens (de-
tails below).

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