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St. Laurence Parish Church
Hawkhurst - Parish Eucharist
Service.

21. 07. 2024 - The 8th Sunday
after Trinity Year B

Please Note: The Zoom details
for this service are:
Meeting ID: 457 244 0784
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We thank the Rt. Rev. David
Bannerman for being our
celebrant and preacher today
The Sidesmen today are: Diana
Hunt and Ali Jones

Opening Hymn (Please stand if
you are able)

To God be the glory! Great
things he hath done;
So loved he the world that he
gave us his Son;
Who yielded his life an
atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all
may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice:
O come to the Father, through
Jesus the Son,
And give him the glory, great
things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the
purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of
God;
The vilest offender who truly
believes,
That moment from Jesus a
pardon receive.

Great things he hath taught us,
great things he hath done,
And great our rejoicing through
Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and
greater will be
Our wonder, our rapture, when
Jesus we see.

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

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; 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**

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 epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. Chapter 2 beginning at verse 11

Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands) — remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn (Please stand if you are able)

We pray thee, heav’nly Father,
To hear us in thy love,

And pour upon thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Eucharist to thee.

Be thou our guide and helper,
O Jesus Christ, we pray;
So may we well approach thee,
If thou wilt be the Way:
Thou, very Truth, hast promised
To help us in our strife,
Food of the weary pilgrim,
Eternal source of life.

And thou, creator Spirit,
Look on us, we are thine;
Renew in us thy grace,
Upon our darkness shine;
That, with thy benediction
Upon our souls outpoured,
We may receive in gladness
The body of the Lord.

O Trinity of Persons,
O Unity most high,
On thee alone relying
Thy servants would draw nigh:
Unworthy in our weakness,
On thee our hope is stayed,
And blessed by thy forgiveness
We will not be afraid.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
The word of the Lord endures for
ever.

The word of the Lord is the good
news announced to you.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Mark [6:30-34,
53-end]

Glory to Christ our Lord

The apostles gathered around
Jesus and reported to him all
they had done and taught. Then,
because so many people were
coming and going that they did
not even have a chance to eat,
he said to them, “Come with me
by yourselves to a quiet place
and get some rest.” So they went
away by themselves in a boat to
a solitary place. But many who
saw them leaving recognized
them and ran on foot from all the
towns and got there ahead of
them. When Jesus landed and
saw a large crowd, he had com-
passion on them, because they
were like sheep without a shep-
herd. So he began teaching them
many things.

When they had crossed over,
they landed at Gennesaret and
anchored there. As soon as they
got out of the boat, people recog-
nized Jesus. They ran through-
out that whole region and carried
the sick on mats to wherever
they heard he was. And wher-
ever he went—into villages,
towns or countryside—they
placed the sick in the market-
places. They begged him to let
them touch even the edge of his

cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

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 Sandra Dreyer

The Lord is our shepherd, and we are the sheep of his pasture. Let us bring to him our cares and concerns for the Church and for the world.

We pray for the Church, that in its various ministries, it may never lead anyone astray, but will always follow faithfully the way of Jesus Christ, the loving shepherd of his sheep.

We pray for our Bishops Justin and Rose, our vicar Rodney and for all the clergy celebrating with us during Fr. Rodney's sabbatical.

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

We pray for all innocent victims of conflict throughout the world, may the leaders of the warring factions seek resolution through dialogue

rather than armed force. At this time we think of those suffering in the wars in Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, Yemen and Sudan amongst others. We also pray that the remaining time of the US Election process should be conducted in peace.

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

We pray for the world we inhabit, the world we have inherited, and will pass on to successive generations. Teach us to look after it carefully and wisely, to share its gifts more fairly and work together to ease its sufferings.

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

Lord, we ask you to help us to make the communities in which we live places of welcome and acceptance. In times of uncertainty and upset, may we be ready to share the love of Jesus with hope, peace and comfort.

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

We pray for all of us here, and the families we represent, that in following our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, we may live generously for others. We pray for Siena who is being baptized here this afternoon and for her family and friends.

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

We pray for those who are ill and those who look after them that even in pain and anxiety they may recognise their loving Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who also suffered and was full of care and compassion for his people. We pray for Charles our King and Catherine, Princess of Wales. 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 and any others known to us at this time who are sick.

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

We pray for those who have died, for those who ache with sorrow at their going. We commend them all to your unfailing care which carries us throughout this life and onwards into eternity. We remember: Those recently departed: Zia Armitage

And all those whose years' mind occur this month: Harry Harttrup, Frank Collins, Raymond Dreyer, Margaret Follington, Mary Porter, George Williams, Grace Dreyer, Constance Jeffery, Bidy Woods, Gloria Cox, Bill West, Rosemary Whittome, Philip Warner, Eileen

Cooper, Louisa Shilling, Alfred Mills, Reginald Wheelhouse, John Ades.

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

The Peace

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called the children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ 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)

Praise the Lord, ye heav'ns, adore him!

Praise him, angels, in the height; Sun and moon, bow down before him,

Praise him, all ye stars and light.

Praise the Lord, for he hath spoken;

Worlds his mighty voice obeyed:

Laws, which never shall be broken,

For their guidance he hath made.

Praise the Lord, for he is gracious:

Never shall his promise fail.

God hath made his saints victorious;

Sin and death shall not prevail.

Praise the God of our salvation,

Hosts on high, his pow'r proclaim;

Heav'n and earth and all creation,

Laud and magnify his name!

Worship, honour, glory, blessing,

Lord, we offer to thy name;

Young and old, thy praise expressing,

Join their Saviour to proclaim.

As the saints in heav'n adore thee,

We would bow before thy throne;

As thine angels serve before thee,

So on earth thy will be done.

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 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: Andrea Higgins and Alison Parsons

Anthem – Tallis: If ye love me

Communion Hymn (Please remain seated whilst singing)

O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray
That all thy Church might be for ever one,
Grant us at ev'ry eucharist to say,
With longing heart and soul,
'Thy will be done.'
O may we all one bread, one body be,
Though this blest sacrament of unity.

For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;
Make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
Draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
By drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace:
Thus may we all one bread, one body be,
Through this blest sacrament of unity.

We pray thee too for wand'ers from thy fold;
O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep,
Back to the faith which saints believed of old,
Back to the Church which still that faith doth keep:
Soon may we all one bread, one body be,
Through this blest sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,
May we be one with all thy Church above,
One with thy saints in one unbroken peace,
One with thy saints in one unbounded love:
More blessed still, in peace and love to be
One with the Trinity in unity.

Post - Communion Prayers

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious

God's mercy endures for ever.

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.
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

May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; and the blessing
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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 of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy pow'r;
Now fulfil thy Church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us
Scorn thy 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.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control;
Sham our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places,
Gird our lives that they may be
Armoured with all Christlike graces
As we set your people free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
Lest we fail the world or thee.

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

NOTICES

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. (August 21st).

A message from St Augustine's College of Theology

[Based at West Malling, and Trinity House, Southwark this is where Stephen Ringer has been undertaking his Reader Training and also where he previously studied for his MA in Theology, Ministry and Mission.]

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We really are very grateful. Please remember us in your prayers.

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