

## **Holy Communion**

**Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Pentecost 4**

Service setting: St Katherine

**Organ Prelude:** “Chorale Prelude on Aberystwyth” by the English/Canadian organist Healey Willan (1880-1968)

**Opening Hymn 67** O worship the King (tune Hanover)

1 O worship the King all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our shield and defender, the ancient of days,  
pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

3 The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,  
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

4 Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
it breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

6 O measureless light, ineffable love,  
while angels delight to hymn thee above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
in true adoration shall sing to thy praise!

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him? Mark 4.41

[Let us pray.]

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
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.**

(sung)

**Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy**

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(sung)

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
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.  
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. Amen.**

**Collect**

**O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid:  
rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from  
fear,  
and preserve us all from unbelief; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**1 Samuel 17.57-18.5, 18.10-16**

**17** <sup>57</sup> On David's return from killing the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul, with the head of the Philistine in his hand. <sup>58</sup> Saul said to him, 'Whose son are you, young man?' And David answered, 'I am the son of your servant Jesse the Bethlehemite.' **18** <sup>1</sup> When David had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was bound to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. <sup>2</sup> Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. <sup>3</sup> Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul.

<sup>4</sup> Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that he was wearing, and gave it to David, and his armour, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. <sup>5</sup> David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him; as a result, Saul set him over the army. And all the people, even the servants of Saul, approved. <sup>10</sup> The next day an evil spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand; <sup>11</sup> and Saul threw the spear, for he thought, 'I will pin David to the wall.' But David eluded him twice. <sup>12</sup> Saul was afraid of David, because the Lord was with him but had departed from Saul. <sup>13</sup> So Saul removed him from his presence, and made him a commander of a thousand; and David marched out and came in, leading the army. <sup>14</sup> David had success in all his undertakings; for the Lord was with him. <sup>15</sup> When Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in awe of him. <sup>16</sup> But all Israel and Judah loved David; for it was he who marched out and came in leading them.

Hear the word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 133**

<sup>1</sup> Behold how good and how lovely it is: when families live together in unity.  
<sup>2</sup> It is fragrant as oil upon the head, that runs down over the beard:  
fragrant as oil upon the beard of Aaron,  
that ran down over the collar of his robe.  
<sup>3</sup> It is like a dew of Hermon: like the dew that falls upon the hill of Zion.  
<sup>4</sup> For there the Lord has commanded his blessing: which is life for evermore.

### **2 Corinthians 6.1-13**

<sup>1</sup> As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup> For he says, 'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you. 'See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup> We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup> but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great

endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup> beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger;  
<sup>6</sup> by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup> truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup> in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup> as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed;  
<sup>10</sup> as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. <sup>11</sup> We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup> There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup> In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.  
Hear the word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God.**

#### **Gradual hymn 505** Jesus calls us (tune St Andrew)

1 Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild, restless sea;  
Day by day his voice is sounding,  
Saying, "Christian, follow Me!"

4 In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love Me more than these!"

5 Jesus calls us! By Thy mercies,  
Saviour, may we hear your call,  
Give our hearts to your obedience,  
Serve and love you best of all.

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark chapter 4 beginning at verse 35

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' <sup>36</sup> And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup> A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup> But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' <sup>39</sup> He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup> He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' <sup>41</sup> And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,  
**praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon**

**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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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.

Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world.

Intercessions

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Jesus said: Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give  
you rest. Matthew 11.28

Jesus said I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be  
hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. John 6.35

[Let us pray.]

**We do not presume to come to 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 we may evermore dwell in him,  
and he in us. Amen.**

We are the body of Christ.

**His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn 139i** Jesu, lover of my soul (tune Hollingside)

1 Jesu, lover of my soul,  
Let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high;  
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,  
Till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide,  
O receive my soul at last.

4 Plenteous grace with thee is found,  
Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound,

Make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art,  
Freely let me take of Thee;  
Spring thou up within my heart;  
Rise to all eternity.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

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 our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and  
singing:

**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.**

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,  
this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,  
we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks he broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks  
he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,

his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son

and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,

in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father,

in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power**

**are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

As this broken bread was once many grains,

which have been gathered together and made one bread:

**so may your Church be gathered**

**from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

(sung)

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace**

## **Communion**

### **Anthem**

Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament  
you assure us of your goodness and love.

Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving  
and help us to grow in love and obedience  
that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table  
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

Father,

**we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and  
minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our  
Lord;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

## **Notices**

**Closing Hymn 14** Now thank we all our God (tune Nun Danket)

1 Now thank we all our God,  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom this world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us;  
and keep us in His grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills,  
in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son, and Holy Ghost,  
one Lord in highest heaven;  
the one eternal God,  
whom earth and Heaven adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**

**Organ Postlude:** "Sortie" by the French organist Cesar Franck (1822-1890)