



## All Saints Church, Hertford

### Family Eucharist for Sixth Sunday of Trinity 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020

*Welcome and Greeting* Rev Jo Loveridge

Welcome in the name of Christ.  
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you  
**and also with you.**

*Hymn 334* Graham Jones, Ann & Michael Stephens-Jones

- 1     Awake, awake: fling off the night!  
      For God has sent his glorious light;  
      And we who live in Christ's new day  
      Must works of darkness put away
- 2     Awake and rise, like men renewed,  
      Men with the Spirit's power endued.  
      The light of life in us must glow,  
      And fruits of truth and goodness show
- 3     Let in the light; all sine expose  
      To Christ, whose life no darkness knows.  
      Before his cross for guidance kneel;  
      His light will judge and, judging, heal.
- 4     Awake, and rise up from the dead,  
      And Christ his light on you will shed.  
      Its power will wrong desires destroy,  
      And your whole nature fill with joy.
- 5     Then sing for joy, and use each day;  
      Give thanks for everything always.  
      Lift up your hearts; with one accord  
      Praise God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Preparing for the Word*

We worship with Christians near and far,  
living and departed, old and young.  
God's word is for all of us.

**May it be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.**

## *Opening Prayer*

Lord, speak to us

**that we may hear your word.**

Move among us

**that we may behold your glory.**

Receive our prayers

**that we may learn to trust you.**

**Amen.**

## *Praying for Ourselves*

*We sit or kneel*

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life.

Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith

*cf Romans 6.4*

**Father,**

**we have sinned against heaven and against you.**

**We are not worthy to be called your children.**

**We turn to you again.**

**Have mercy on us,**

**bring us back to yourself**

**as those who once were lost**

**but now are found through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## *The priest declares God's forgiveness*

*We Stand to Praise God in the words of the **Gloria:***

**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.**

**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.**

*The Collect, the prayer for the day, is said*

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
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**

*We sit for the **Reading Isaiah 44.6-8** Martin Bird*

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one.

***At the end the reader may say***

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel Reading Matt 13.24-30,36-43*** Isabel Hurley

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want

us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit for the **Reflection** Mrs Janet Bird*

*We stand for **The Creed***

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**      *Ephesians 3*

*We sit or kneel*

***Praying for others*** Helen Wright

## **Sharing Communion**

*We stand for **The Peace***

***After the introductory words***

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

## *The Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer H)*

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.**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

*We sit or kneel*

When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world

we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

*We say the **Sanctus***

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*There may be a short period of silence*

*The Lord's Prayer*

As our Saviour taught us, so we 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.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*Breaking of the 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 say the **Agnus Dei***

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world: grant us peace.**

*Giving of Communion*

*Now the Green blade rises – arr Bullard* David & Hazel Ford

## *After Communion*

**Lord,**

**we have broken your bread and received your life.**

**By the power of your Spirit keep us always in your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## *Hymn 213* Graham Jones, Ann & Michael Stephens-Jones

- 1 Christ is the world's light, he and none other;  
born in our darkness, he became our brother.  
If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:  
Glory to God on high.
- 2 Christ is the world's peace, he and none other;  
no one can serve him and despise a brother;  
who else unites us, one in God the Father?  
Glory to God on high.
- 3 Christ is the world's life, he and none other;  
sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother.  
He, who redeems us, reigns with God the Father:  
Glory to God on high.
- 4 Give God the glory, God and none other;  
give God the glory, Spirit, Son and Father;  
give God the glory, God in man, my brother:  
Glory to God on high.

## *Blessing*

Through the resurrection of Jesus  
God has redeemed us and made us his children.  
May God bless you with joy.

**Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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