

ST PETER'S & ALL SAINTS' CHURCHES, NOTTINGHAM

Sunday 21st June 2020
The Second Sunday after Trinity

Officiant: The Reverend Dr Helen Hall
Preacher: Mike Ross

INTRODUCTION

Grace, mercy and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

The service is introduced

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.

Confession of sin and asking for God's forgiveness

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA

recorded by individual members of the church choir in online collaboration

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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

**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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.***

THE COLLECT

A special prayer for the day

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, 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

Listening to and reflecting on Scripture

NEW TESTAMENT READING

St Paul writes to the Church in Rome about the renewal of our lives which Christ offers to us

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6.1-11

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Speak Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells of the sacrifices which are involved in discipleship

‘A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

‘So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

‘Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

‘Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Mathew 10.24-39

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

ANTHEM

sung by the church choir, recorded at Salisbury Cathedral in May 2015

Almighty and everlasting God,
mercifully look upon our infirmities,
and in all our dangers and necessities
stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Liz Marsh

THE PEACE

Since we cannot currently share the Peace face to face, I encourage you now to think of particular people in our churches and pray that's God's peace will be upon them. Let us also pray that God's peace will be upon the whole world at this difficult time for us all.

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

GIVING THANKS FOR THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

We praise you, Almighty God, that we are united in prayer and worship with millions of our brothers and sisters throughout the world, including those who continue to come together in their churches to celebrate the Eucharist. Although we cannot currently share in the sacrament of the Eucharist around your holy table, we remain nourished by the body of Christ, broken for us, and by his blood, shed for us. We give you thanks for his death and resurrection, which have brought us salvation and new hope.

From the beginning, O God, you have created all things, and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation. You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven, we may find a voice to proclaim your praise:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord most High.
Bles - sed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosan - na in the high - est.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, as we recall that through his body, broken for us, and by his blood, shed for us, we enjoy new life in Him. For in the same night that he was betrayed, he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and we look for the coming of your kingdom.

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise;
and as we remember his death and resurrection, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us
with your love and unite us in his body, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who
stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of
everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be your for ever and ever. Amen.

Silence is kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.**



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with
your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

HYMN

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1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

2. O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

4. O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my friend.

THE BLESSING

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.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue in D major, BWV 532

JS Bach (1685-1750)

played by Peter Siepmann using the Hauptwerk pipe organ simulator

Next Sunday, 28th June, we will celebrate St Peter's Patronal Festival. The preacher at this service will be the Rev'd Leslie Morley, former Rector of St Peter's. Following this service, from 12.00, we will be holding a 'virtual coffee time', using 'Zoom', a video based app for smartphones, tablets and computers which enables people to come together online for meetings and social events. We will send details about this, including login details, to all those on our email database, but if you would like more information to be sent to you please contact Liz Marsh on liz.marsh@nottinghamchurches.org

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