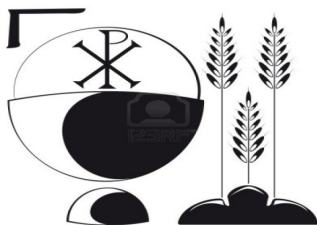


HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



Tonight we share the Last Supper with Jesus and his disciples.
We celebrate with joy,
because this gift of Jesus to his Church is still the source and focus of our life.
At the supper Jesus showed the depth
of his love and commitment
by washing the feet of his disciples.
Christ's loving surrender brought suffering with it:
this supper is the immediate prelude to his arrest, trial and execution.

At the end of the service tonight by tradition, the Sacrament is taken to another part of the church and there we keep silent vigil with our Lord in the garden of Gethsemane.

Maundy Thursday ***April 9th 2020***

Welcome to Holy Innocents. This leaflet contains all you need to join in the service.

Words **in bold print** are spoken or sung by all.

Tonight, priests known to the people of this church are celebrating the Eucharist alone on behalf of us all, drawing together Christian people across neighbourhoods to call to mind the unending love of Christ for his church.

ENTRANCE HYMN *This is the night, dear friends for weeping*

This is the night, dear friends, the night for weeping,
When power of darkness overcomes the day,
The night the faithful mourn the weight of evil
Whereby our sins the Son of Man betray.

This night the traitor, wolf within the sheepfold,
Betrays himself into his victim's will;
The Lamb of God for sacrifice preparing,
Sin brings about the cure for sin's own ill.

This night Christ institutes his holy supper,
Blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind;
This night injustice joins its hands to treason's,
And buys for death the price of humankind.

**This night the Lord by slaves shall be arrested,
He who destroys our slavery to sin;
Accused of crime, to criminals be given,
That judgement on the righteous judge begin.**

**O make us sharers, Saviour, of your passion,
That we may share your glory that shall be;
Let us pass through these three dark nights of sorrow
To Easter's laughter and its liberty.**

Text: Richard Sturch (born 1936) from the Latin of Peter Abélard (1079-1142)

The service begins with a greeting and act of penitence.

The president and preacher tonight is the Revd Jane Walker, who is presiding at home.

May the grace of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

*Our Lord Jesus Christ says: 'If you love me, keep my commandments.'
'Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.'*

Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love, and ask him to cleanse us.

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Against you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Purge us from our sin and we shall be clean; Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the Father forgive us by the death of his Son

and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days. Amen.

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 today

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer the president says the Collect. At the end: **Amen.**

Please sit down for the Ministry of the Word.

FIRST READING Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14

At the end:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116

Refrain: O Lord, I am your servant; you have freed me from my bonds.

I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my **supplication**;
because he inclined his ear to me **on** the day I called to him.
The snares of death encompassed me;
the pains of **hell** took hold of me;
by grief and **sorrow** was I held.

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of **all** his people.
Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death **of** his faithful servant.
O Lord, I am your servant, your servant, the **child of** your handmaid;
you have **freed** me from my bonds.

I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon
the **name of** the Lord.

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord
in the **presence** of all his people,
In the courts of the **house of** the Lord,
in the **midst of** you, O Jerusalem.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Jesus said to his disciples, "I give you a new commandment: **love one another.***

*Just as I have loved you, **you also should love one another.***

*By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, **if you have love for one another.'***

GOSPEL READING John 13: 1-17, 31b- 35

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The sermon follows. After the sermon there will be a time of silence. We hear a setting of *Ubi Caritas*.

At the end:

*Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
we do also for him:*

give us the will to be the servant of others

as he was the servant of all,

who gave up his life and died for us,

yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



The PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL follows:

*Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.
We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.*

*Lord, hear us - **and humble us.***

*On this night he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church. Lord,
hear us - **and unite us.***

*On this night he prayed for those who were to believe through their message. We pray for the
mission of your Church.*

*Lord, hear us - **and renew our zeal.***

*On this night he commanded them to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the
rejected and the unloved. Lord, hear us - **and fill us with your love.***

*On this night he reminded them that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for
those who are persecuted for their faith.*

*Lord, hear us -- **and give us your peace.***

Lord, as we prepare to journey with you to your cross and resurrection:

We offer these prayers in your name. Amen.

The president introduces the PEACE:

*Now in union with Christ Jesus you who were once far off have been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood; for he is our peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, for thou art our food indeed.

Ever may our souls be fed with this true and living Bread,

day by day with strength supplied through the life of Christ who died.

Vine of heaven, thy love supplies this blest cup of sacrifice.

'Tis thy wounds our healing give; to thy cross we look and live.

Thou our life! O let us be rooted, grafted, built on thee.

The bread and wine are placed on the altar.

At the Eucharist we are with our crucified and risen Lord.

We know that it was not only our ancestors,

*but we who were redeemed and brought forth from bondage into freedom,
from mourning to feasting.*

We know that as he was with them in the upper room, so our Lord is here with us now.

Until the kingdom of God comes, let us celebrate this feast.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER follows.

May the Lord be with us all as we lift up our hearts in prayer.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

THE PRESIDENT continues the prayer, thanking God for his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole 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.

THE PRESIDENT asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine, and then repeats the Lord's own words over the bread and cup.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Dying you destroyed our death; rising you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.

THE PRESIDENT CONTINUES, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself.

At the end of the prayer the president says:

.....all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever:

Amen.

The President introduces the Lord's Prayer and all say together:

**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.**

The president breaks the consecrated bread in pieces for all to share:

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.

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.

The president addresses those who would wish to come to Holy Communion:

Behold 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 president receives Holy Communion.

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast, body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,

blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be, O blessed Jesu, hear and answer me;

deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me, so shall I never, never part from thee.

**Guard and defend me from the foe malign, in death's dread moments make me only thine;
call me and bid me come to thee on high where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.**

From home, please join in with others listening to say:

لطفاً از خانه خود ، به همراه دیگران به ما بپیوندید ، در حالیکه گوش فرا می دهیم و می گوئیم:

**In union, O Lord, with the faithful in my church and across the world,
wherever the Eucharist is being celebrated, may I offer praise and thanksgiving.**

در یکپارچگی ، خداوندا ، با افراد متدین در کلیسای من
و در سراسر جهان ، هر جا که مراسم عشای ربانی برگزار می شود ، من شکرگزار و قدردان تو هستم.

**As you are present in the bread and wine, so I believe you are present with me now,
sustaining me in body and soul to witness to you day by day.**

Let me live and die in your love, let me reflect your love for me in my love for others.

همانطور که تو در نان و شراب حاضر هستی ، بنابراین بر این باور هستم که اکنون با من حاضر هستی ،
جسم و روح مرا حفظ می کنی برای اینکه روز به روز نظاره گر و گواهی دهنده تو باشم.
بگذار در عشق تو زندگی کنم و بمیرم ، به من اجازه بده که عشق تو را انعکاس دهم
به واسطه عشقی که به دیگران می ورزم.

**Come, Lord Jesus, live in your servant in the fullness of your strength
In perfect holiness and truth, in your living power over all evil and threat,
Through the power of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God the Father.**

**Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ in the heights of heaven
and in this most holy sacrament. Amen.**

بیا ، پروردگار عیسی مسیح ، در خدمتگزار خود با کمال قدرت خود زندگی کن در کمال تقدس و حقیقت ، در قدرت زنده
خود که مسلط بر همه گونه شر و تهدید است ، بواسطه قدرت روح القدس و جلال خدای پدر
عیسی مسیح متبرک و ستایش شده حضور داشته باشدر اعلاى بهشت
و در این مقدس ترین مراسم عشای ربانی. آمین.

Consecrated bread remains in the tabernacle for the communion of the sick.

***Of the glorious body telling, O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
And the blood, all price excelling, which the world's eternal King,
In a spotless womb once dwelling, shed for this world's ransoming.***

***Given for us, for us descending, of a virgin to proceed,
God with us in converse blending, scattered he the gospel seed,
Till his sojourn drew to ending, which he closed in wondrous deed.***

***At the last great supper lying circled by his chosen band,
Duly with the law complying, first he finished its command,
Then, immortal food supplying, gave himself by his own hand.***

***Word-made-flesh, by word he maketh bread his very flesh to be;
Who in wine Christ's blood partaketh: and if senses fail to see,
Faith alone the true heart waketh to behold the mystery.***

Let us pray.

After a few moments of silent prayer.

*Lord, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives
the fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Blessed Sacrament will be kept until tomorrow.

***Therefore we, before him bending, this great sacrament revere:
Types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending, makes the inward vision clear.***

***Glory let us give and blessing to the Father and the Son,
Honour, might and praise addressing, while eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing, who, from both, with both is one. Amen.***

Take some time to sit or kneel in prayer.

The Lamentations of Jeremiah are sung.

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people!

How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations!

She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks;

among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals;

all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.

Her children have gone away, captives before the foe

Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by?

Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

From on high he sent fire; it went deep into my bones;

he spread a net for my feet; he turned me back;

he has left me stunned, faint all day long.

For these things I weep; my eyes flow with tears; for a comforter is far from me,

one to revive my courage; my children are desolate, for the enemy has prevailed.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

All who pass along the way clap their hands at you;

they hiss and wag their heads at daughter Jerusalem.

'Is this the city that was called the perfection of beauty, the joy of all the earth?'

The thought of my affliction and homelessness is wormwood and gall.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness

'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

*It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.
It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence
when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope),
to give one's cheek to the smiter and be filled with insults.
For the Lord will not reject for ever.*

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

By tradition, on this night at about 10.30, when the altars have been stripped, all candle stands and decoration either removed or covered, altar cloths pressed and made ready, the Gospel of the Watch is read.

Jesus said to him, 'Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.' And he said to him, 'Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!' Jesus said, 'I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.'

He said to them, 'When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?' They said, 'No, not a thing.' He said to them, 'But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, "And he was counted among the lawless"; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled.' They said, 'Lord, look, here are two swords.' He replied, 'It is enough.'



He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, 'Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.' Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, 'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.' When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them, 'Why are you sleeping?'

*Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.'
While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came,
and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them.
He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,
'Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?'
When those who were around him saw what was coming,
they asked, 'Lord, should we strike with the sword?'*



Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, 'No more of this!' And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!'



Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, 'This man also was with him.' But he denied it, saying, 'I do not know him.'

A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, 'You also are one of them.' But Peter said, 'Man, I am not!' Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting, 'Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.' But Peter said, 'Man, I do not know what you are talking about!' At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.'

And he went out and wept bitterly.



The last light is switched off,
and the church lies in darkness.