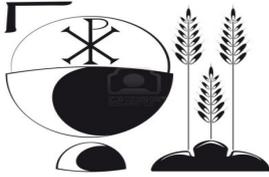


HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



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.

Tonight, symbolically, the church goes into a time of darkness – watching with Christ, 'closing down' as we go through these days with him. The lights will go out, and the church will be left in darkness.

Maunder Thursday ***April 1st 2021***

Welcome to Holy Innocents. This leaflet contains all you need to join in the service. Words in **bold print** are spoken by all. Hymns are heard not sung. It is our tradition be as still and quiet as possible before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist.

When the bell rings, please stand.

The president tonight is the Revd Jane Walker.

Please remain standing for the greeting and act of penitence.

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 this evening

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 is sung by the choir

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.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

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.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit down for the sermon. The preacher tonight is the Revd Canon Alma Servant. After the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then please stand for the PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:

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.

All exchange a sign of peace as we hear:

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, for thy flesh is meat indeed.

Ever may our souls be fed with this true and living Bread, day by day with strength supplied through the life of him 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 brought to 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.

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 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.**

We sit or kneel as 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 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.**

Those who wish to receive the Sacrament or a
blessing approach the altar. During communion
we hear a setting of *Ubi Caritas*. Then there will
be a time of silence and then we stand with the
president.

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.

Please sit or kneel as we hear:

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.

The Blessed Sacrament is carried to the Tabernacle, where it will be kept until tomorrow, and we hear:

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.

The altar and sanctuary are stripped while the choir sings a setting of the Lamentations of Jeremiah:

*"Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
return to the Lord your God"*

Please leave church as quietly as possible.

Good Friday

12 noon – 2pm

Silent Prayer

Meditation on the Lord's Passion

2pm

The Liturgy of the Passion

Easter Eve – Holy Saturday

8.30pm

The Easter Vigil with Baptism.

Easter Day

10am

Sung Eucharist

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.

Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Simul ergo cum in unum congregamur:

Ne nos mente dividamur, caveamus.

Cessent iurgia maligna, cessent lites.

Et in medio nostri sit Christus Deus.

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Simul quoque cum beatis videamus,

Glorianter vultum tuum, Christe Deus:

Gaudium quod est immensum,

atque probum,

Saecula per infinita saeculorum.

Amen.