

Service for First Sunday after Trinity



**The Parishes of
St Paul's Clifton and Cotham**

The Gathering

Chant: Bless the Lord my Soul

Words of welcome, introduction and invitation

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Penitence

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,

all slander and malice,

and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

Pause for silent reflection

You are the never-ceasing open gift of love;

we turn in upon ourselves.

Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

You live beyond all centres of power;

we enclose your grace.

Christ have mercy **Christ have mercy**

You rejoice in a multitude of names;

we try to pin you down.

Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

May the God of love and mercy bring us back to himself,

forgive us our sins,

and embrace us in his eternal love

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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.**

John Marsh

f Glo-ry to God in the High-est and peace to his peo-ple on earth Lord God,
 9
 heaven-ly King al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther We wor-ship you, we give you thanks we praise you for your glo-ry
 16
mp Lord Je-sus Christ on-ly Son of the Fa-ther Lord God Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the
 24
 world have mer-cy on us You are sea-ted at theright hand of the Fa-ther re-ceive our prayer
 32
f For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One you a - lone are the Lord You a-lone are the
 39
 most High Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi-rit in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther *ff* A - men.

The Collect

Let us pray that we may life in the life of God.

Tender shepherd to the helpless and lost;
 we praise you for sharing your power
 with a motley band of stumbling friends:
 may we who have received without payment
 give without charge
 and so bring your kingdom near;
 through Jesus Christ,
 the Lord of the harvest.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 19.2-8a

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.'

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.' Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn:

1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

2 King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.

3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

4 At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord Most High!"

Greek trans Gerard Moultrie

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9.35-10.13

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Reflection: David Stephenson

Profession of faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith:

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

The Intercessions: Rob Dimpleby

Anthem: Messiaen's O sacrum convivium

Text translation:

O sacred banquet!

in which Christ is received,

the memory of his Passion is renewed,

the mind is filled with grace,

and a pledge of future glory to us is given.

Alleluia.

The service continues on Zoom and YouTube livestream

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of God in community be always with you.
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace

Chant: Holy Spirit Come to us

Holy Spirit, Come to Us / Ven, Espíritu de Dios 457

Ostinato Refrain / Estribillo

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, kin - dle in us the fire of your love.
Ven, Es - pí - ri - tu de Dios, y de tu a - mor en - cien - de la lla - ma.
Ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus, tu - i a - mó - ris i - gnem ac - cén - de.

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.
Ven, Es - pí - ri - tu de a - mor, ven, Es - pí - ri - tu de a - mor.
Ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus, ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus

Text: John 13:35, 15:12-13, 1 John 3:16, 4:10, 16
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Preparation of the table

Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here

God's Spirit is with us

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 indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you have created the heavens and the earth,
and formed us in your own image.

In the fullness of time you sent forth your Son, your eternal Word,
who laid down his life for our salvation
and rose from the grave, the first-fruits of your new creation.

You send forth your holy and life-giving Spirit
to give life to our mortal bodies
and to renew the face of the earth.

Therefore with all the host of heaven,
we give voice to everything that you have made,
and sing the eternal hymn of praise.

**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.**

John Marsh

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef. It begins in 3/4 time and changes to 2/4 time at measure 12. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: *f* Ho-ly Ho-ly Ho-ly Lord God of power and might Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry *ff* Ho - san - na in the high - est. *mf* Ble-ssed is he who comes in the name of the Lord *f* Ho - san - na in the high-est.

Lord God, you are the most holy one,
enthroned in splendour and light,
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ
you reveal the power of your love
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity,
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;
loving us to the end,
he gave himself to death for us;
dying for his own,
he set us free from the bonds of sin,
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all
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 we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high
and we long for his coming in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
form us into the likeness of Christ
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.
Bless the earth,
heal the sick,
let the oppressed go free
and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth
to feast with [N and] all your saints at the table in your kingdom,
where the new creation is brought to fulfilment in Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

In the power of the Spirit, let us pray to the Father, in the words of the Son

**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 forever. Amen.**

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
give us this bread always.**

Agnus Dei

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.

John Marsh

p Lamb of God__ you take a- way__ the sin of the world__ have mer- cy__ on us

13
mf Lamb of God__ you take a- way__ the sin of the world__ have mer- cy__ on us

25
Lamb of God__ you take a- way__ the sin of the world__ grant us__ peace.

Here is the table of the Lord,
we are gathered to his supper, a foretaste of things eternal.

Come, when you are fearful, to be made new in love.
Come, when you are doubtful, to be made strong in faith.
Come, when you are regretful, and be made whole.
Come, there is room for all.

Post Communion Prayer

God revealed in the stranger's approach
and the bread of hospitality,
in the message of new life
and the laughter of response:
we thank you for this meal,
this sharing in yourself,
and we pray that our communion
might be broken apart for the world. **Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

The Blessing

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

May the outrageous welcome of the Father
accept us for who we are;
may the incarnation of the Word
touch and hold us close;
may the wandering of the Spirit
help us risk ourselves for love;
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.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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