

# THE EUCHARIST

## ON THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

## **CLIMATE SUNDAY**

Sunday 3 October 2021 at 11.00am

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity, which we are observing as Climate Sunday.

The Minster has joined churches across the world in a Creation Season, dedicated to God as creator and sustainer of all life, during the past month. This will conclude with Evensong later today for the eve of St Francis. During this time we pray for the whole of creation, and reflect on how we may be more careful stewards of this planet, and the environment.

We also welcome those live-streaming from home, who share this service with those present in the Minster.

The setting of the Eucharist is the MISSA PAPAE MARCELLI by GP da Palestrina (c. 1525–94), with chant from MASS VIII.

The Preacher is the Revd Johannes Nobel, Green Ambassador for the Diocese of York.

#### Information about this Service

- The service will be sung by York Minster Choir.
- We are delighted that congregational hymn singing has resumed.
- York Minster is keeping a number of safety measures in place to help keep our worshippers, visitors, staff and volunteers safe.
- Our staff and volunteers will continue to wear face masks and we strongly encourage worshippers to wear face coverings unless they are exempt.
- To allow people to maintain physical distancing, we continue to limit the capacity in the building.
- We will continue to operate a one way system around the building to aid social distancing, please follow the directions of the stewards.
- We will continue to carry out additional cleaning of high contact areas of the cathedral throughout the day. Hand sanitizer is available for your use.
- ♦ We will continue to display QR code posters near the entrance to the Minster so worshippers can check in using the NHS COVID-19 app.
- Currently, Holy Communion is administered in one kind only. If you
  normally receive communion in your own church, you are very welcome to
  receive communion here. If you do not wish to take communion but would
  like to receive a blessing, please come forward and let the minister know.
- Gluten-free communion wafers are available from the communion station at the front, nearest the altar. Please follow the directions of the Stewards. When the time comes to receive communion, please ask the minister for a gluten-free wafer.
- This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy and not the congregation. For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do not record this service on your own devices.
- If you would like to make a donation to support the mission and ministry
  of York Minster, there are contactless donation points and collection boxes
  available as you leave.

Please join in saying together the words printed in bold type.

## The Gathering

Please stand for the Processional Hymn.

## **Processional Hymn**



New songs of celebration render to him who has great wonders done. Love sits enthroned in ancient splendour: come and adore the Mighty One. He has made known his great salvation which all his friends with joy confess: he has revealed to every nation his everlasting righteousness.

Joyfully, heartily resounding, let every instrument and voice peal out the praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice. Trumpets and organs, set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring; all things that live in earth and ocean, make music for your mighty King.

Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honour the Lord with wild acclaim; mountains and stones look up adoring and find a voice to praise his name. Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be his that never cease: just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.

Words Eric Routley (1917–1982) Tune RENDEZ À DIEU, CP 527, Genevan Psalter (1545)

### The Greeting

The President says:

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.

The President welcomes those joining from home and introduces the service.

Please remain standing.

### **Prayer of Preparation**

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.

### **Prayers of Penitence**

The Deacon says:

Let us confess our greed and repent of the ways in which we have damaged God's good creation.

We confess to you our lack of care for the world you have given us.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you our failure to protect the environment.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The President says:

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

The choir sings:

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe: Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Please remain standing.

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

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Glorious God, the whole creation proclaims your marvellous work: increase in us a capacity to wonder and delight in it, that heaven's praise may echo in our hearts and our lives be spent as good stewards of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please sit.

## The Liturgy of the Word

### **New Testament Reading**

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;

his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

2 CORINTHIANS 9.6-15

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

### **Gospel Reading**

The Gospel is heralded by music played on the organ. Please stand.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

Then Jesus told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.'

LUKE 12.16-30

After the Gospel the reader says:

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

Music is played to honour the Gospel.

Please sit for the sermon.

#### Sermon

The Revd Johannes Nobel, Green Ambassador, Diocese of York

The organist improvises a reflective response.

Please stand to say the Creed.

#### The Creed

Let us affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

One of these responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy OR Lord, hear us.

hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.

The prayers may conclude:

Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### The Peace

The President says:

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Members of the congregation are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

#### Offertory Hymn



O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee, 'How great thou art, how great thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee, 'How great thou art, how great thou art!'

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

Then sings my soul...

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die—I scarce can take it in: that on the cross, our burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin:

Then sings my soul . . .

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home—what joy shall fill my heart! Then shall I bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim: My God, how great thou art!

Then sings my soul . . .

Words Russian hymn trans. Stuart Hine (1899–1989) Copyright © The Stuart Hine Trust Tune HOW GREAT THOU ART, CP 262, Stuart Hine

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

This prayer is said as the gifts are presented:

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

Amen.

#### The Eucharistic Prayer

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 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 heavenly hosts, we give voice to everything that you have made, and sing the eternal hymn of praise:

#### The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth, God of power and might,
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Blessed is he who comes in the name Domini. Osanna in excelsis. of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The congregation is invited to sit or kneel.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

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

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Peter the Apostle, William of York, and all the saints, to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

A short silence is kept.

Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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.

### Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

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.

### **Giving of Communion**

The President says an invitation to communion:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The body and blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

During the distribution of Communion the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

miserere nobis. the world, have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

dona nobis pacem. the world, grant us peace.

Communion is administered at a number of places. You will be guided by the Stewards.

## **Prayer after Communion**

The congregation stands.

The President says

Creator God, send your Holy Spirit to renew this living world, that the whole creation, in its groaning and striving, may know your loving purpose and come to reflect your glory; in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory. Amen.

### Hymn



For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while all are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done;
in our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of his Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Words Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000) Music East Acklam, CP 254, Francis Jackson (b. 1917)

#### The Dismissal

Please remain standing.

The President says:

As the whole of creation looks with eager longing for the redemption of humankind, let us pledge ourselves anew to serve our Creator God, the Father who is the maker of all things, the Son through whom all things are made, and the Holy Spirit, the giver of life, who renews the face of the earth.

Let us affirm our commitment to care actively for God's creation.

Lord of life and giver of hope,
we pledge ourselves to care for creation,
to reduce our waste,
to live sustainably,
and to value the rich diversity of life.
May your wisdom guide us,
that life in all its forms may flourish,
and may be faithful in voicing creation's praise.

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all goodness, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon us his children, that we may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

The Deacon says:

Go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to God.

#### **Recessional Psalm**

Psalm 150 is sung by the choir as the procession leaves:

O praise God in his holiness • praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts ♦ praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet ♦ praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances ♦ praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals ♦ praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath ♦ praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son ♦ and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be ♦ world without end. Amen.

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