

# Easter Day Eucharist 2020

## Introit

*This Joyful Eastertide – arr. Wood*

recorded this week by members and friends of St Mary's Choir

## Welcome and Opening Hymn

*Jesus Christ is risen today (2006) – words on screen*

## Lighting of the Pascal Candle

Christ yesterday and today,  
the beginning and the end,  
Alpha and Omega,  
all time belongs to him,  
and all ages;  
to him be glory and power,  
through every age and for ever.

*All Amen.*

By his holy and glorious wounds  
may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

*All Amen.*

*The Pascal Candle is lit with the words*

May the light of Christ, rising in glory,  
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

# The Easter Acclamation

*The president says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*After the Easter Acclamation the joy of the resurrection is properly demonstrated by noise, bells, music, waving etc.*

## Gloria in Excelsis

*Schubert in G – recorded at St Mary's on Easter Day 2006*

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

*President* Let us pray that we may reign with the risen Christ in glory.

God of glory,  
by the raising of your Son  
you have broken the chains of death and hell:  
fill your Church with faith and hope;  
for a new day has dawned  
and the way to life stands open  
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*All* Amen.

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

### The first reading

The first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles Chapter 10 beginning at verse 34. [Read by Rosemary Knapp & Matthew Osbeldiston Hawkes]

*<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the*

*people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **The Easter Anthems** [recorded at St Mary's in 2006]

- 1 Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us:  
so let us celebrate the feast,
- 2 not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
- 3 Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:  
death has no more dominion over him.
- 4 In dying he died to sin once for all:  
in living he lives to God.
- 5 See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 6 Christ has been raised from the dead:  
the first fruits of those who sleep.
- 7 For as by man came death:  
by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;
- 8 for as in Adam all die:  
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

## The Second Reading

The second reading from the Letter to the Colossians Chapter 3 beginning at the first verse. [Read by Christine Catternach]

*So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your<sup>[a]</sup> life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel [Read by Canon Freda Davies]

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

**All Alleluia.**

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

*Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there,*

*but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes.*

*<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look<sup>[a]</sup> into the tomb; <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew,<sup>[b]</sup> "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## **Homily**

## **Prayers of Intercession** [Led by Andrew Chalmers]

*At the end*

Merciful Father,

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

## *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

*The president says*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,  
'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.  
Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you

**All** and also with you. Alleluia.

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you

**All** and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**All** We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right,  
it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you  
because you raised him gloriously from the dead.  
For he is the true paschal lamb who was offered for us,  
and has taken away the sin of the world.  
By his death he has destroyed death,  
and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**All 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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit



these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
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;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All 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 eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
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:

**All** Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All** 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 for ever.  
Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

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

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

## **Spiritual Communion**

**All** Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

**May all that is you flow into me.**

**May your body and blood be my food and drink.**

**May your passion and death be my strength and life.**

**Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.**

**May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.**

**Let me not run from the love which you offer**

**but hold me safe from the forces of evil.**

**On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.**

**Keep calling to me until that day comes**

**when with your saints, I may praise you for ever. Amen**

# Prayer after Communion

*Silence is kept.*

God of Life,  
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son  
to the death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:  
grant us so to die daily to sin,  
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

*We pray together:*

*All* 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.

# *The Dismissal*

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
*All Amen.*

## **Post Communion Hymn**

**Thine be the glory! (2006) words on screen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

*All* **In the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!**