

28<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Service of Holy  
Communion

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After  
Trinity

Lytham St Cuthbert  
  
and Lytham St John  
Worshiping together

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
and also with you.

**This is the day which the Lord has made.  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many souls to glory

Behold the man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
My pardon he accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

**Lord, direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray.  
Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in  
truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

God our saviour,  
look on this wounded world  
in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promises of peace  
won for us by your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Hymn

God our Father,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.  
For turning away from you,  
and ignoring your will for our lives;  
**Father, forgive us:  
save us and help us.**

For behaving just as we wish,  
without thinking of you;  
**Father, forgive us:  
save us and help us.**

For failing you by what we do,  
and think and say;  
**Father, forgive us:  
save us and help us.**

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you  
by temptations in the world about us;  
**Father, forgive us:  
save us and help us.**

For living as if we were ashamed  
to belong to your Son;  
**Father, forgive us:  
save us and help us.**

May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word  
Genesis 22:1-14

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my

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son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Matthew 10:40-end**

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Creed**

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession**

Lord, hear us

**Lord Graciously hear us.**

**Amen**

**The Peace**

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**Hymn**

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name.  
I've been born again in Jesus' name  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
To share his love as he told me to.

*He said 'Freely, freely you have received  
freely, freely give.*

*Go in my name, and because you believe  
others will know that I live.*

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name  
In earth and heav'n in Jesus name  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
To share his pow'r as he told me to.

*He said 'Freely, freely you have received;  
freely, freely give.*

*Go in my name, and because you believe  
others will know that I live.*

God gives us life in Jesus' name  
He lives in us in Jesus' name  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
To share his peace as he told me to.

*He said 'Freely, freely you have received  
freely, freely give.*

*Go in my name, and because you believe  
others will know that I live.*

### Communion 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.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,  
your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son  
to rescue us from sin and death.

Your Word goes out to call us home  
to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them in heaven's song:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord of hosts,  
your glory fills all creation. And we lift our hearts  
before you as a token of our love, sing hosanna,  
sing hosanna.**

Father of all, we give you thanks  
for every gift that comes from heaven. To the  
darkness Jesus came as your light.  
With signs of faith and words of hope  
he touched untouchables with love and washed the  
guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son,  
yet at the end they turned on him.  
On the night he was betrayed

he came to table with his friends  
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took  
bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my  
body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the  
cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you  
all for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup  
we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us  
free.

Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to  
plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now  
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ  
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food  
offer ourselves to live for you  
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven  
where all creation worships you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

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

**Amen.**

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.**

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**Thy kingdom come,**

**Thy will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today 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**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Going out to serve God  
O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and  
whose power we cannot comprehend:  
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,  
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear  
until we may look upon you without fear;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Amen**

### **Blessing**

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,  
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
and strengthen you to proclaim the word and  
works of God;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

### **Hymn**

To God be the glory, great things He has done;  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory, great things He has  
done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He has taught us, great things He has  
done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ.  
Amen.**

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