

3.
When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.

Words: Welsh, William Williams 1717-1791
tr. Peter and William Williams
Tune: Cwm Rhondda;
John Hughes 1873-1932

WORDS OF MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Go out from here and live lives worthy of the one calling which we all share.

In humility, gentleness and patience, speak only what is true and loving and so grow into the unity that is ours in Christ.

And may God the creator re-shape your hearts;
May Christ Jesus, the bread of life, sustain you always;
and may the Holy Spirit unite you in the bond of peace.

POSTLUDE Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein J.S. Bach 1685-1750
(When we are in the greatest distress)

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COMMUNION SETTING:	Short Service	Thomas Tallis c.1505-1585
PRECES:		William Smith 1603-1645

THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

ORGAN PRELUDE

The people stand for the entrance of the Bible.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Open our lips O Lord.
And we shall declare your praise.
O God make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son
And to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and will be for ever. Amen

Let us praise the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN 301

God is here!

1.
God is here! As we his people
meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure
what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us,
all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of his Spirit
into open minds and hearts.

3.
Here our children find a welcome
in the Shepherd's flock and fold,
here as bread and wine are taken,
Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant
seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living
to believe and to adore.

2.
Here are symbols to remind us
of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font and pulpit;
here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching,
here in silence, as in speech,
here in newness and renewal,
God the Spirit comes to each.

4.
Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom,
in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel,
help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication,
all we have to give, receive:
we, who cannot live without you,
we adore you! We believe.

F.Pratt Green 1903-2000
Tune: Blaenwern; W.P. Rowlands 1860-1937

WELCOME AND GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of awe and great mystery, creator of immensity yet lover of the small
and fragile, be especially present and real to us in this time of worship.

For so readily do we look past you, taking the sacred nature of life for
granted, that we need clear reminders and soulful awakenings.
Spirit, come, focus our vision, renew our minds in the way and being of
Christ. **Amen.**
(Source: Words4Worship)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us admit our sins, and seek the saving grace of God, through our Lord
Jesus Christ. Let us pray.

When we dishonour your creation, and look away from you our Creator,
Seeking other sources of life and hope.
God have mercy, **have mercy upon us.**

When we block the flow of your grace, drawing refreshment from the well
that leave us thirsty.
God have mercy, **have mercy upon us.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

May the bread that is broken make us whole so we may bring peace to a
world which has been fed violence and greed.

The bread is broken

May this cup which is shared open our hearts to the pain of those
around us so we may bring healing and hope.

The cup is lifted

The gifts of God for the people of God

Communion is shared

AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET O sacrum convivium Olivier Messiaen 1908-1992

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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Lord Jesus Christ, fed and renewed by your life in us, we go to share
that life with others; to spread the message of your love and
compassion to all whom we meet. Amen**

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

HYMN 455 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

1.
Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

2.
Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth
flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

NARRATIVE OF THE LAST SUPPER

We remember..... Long ago, so our tradition says, whilst sharing a meal with his friends, Jesus took bread, offered thanks for it, broke it and handed it to his friends inviting them to eat, saying this is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me.

At the end of the meal Jesus poured a cup of wine, offered thanks for it and handed it to his friends, inviting them to drink, saying this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all people. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

As we take part in this meal, let us be mindful of one another and the community gathered. Let us be mindful of each one's journey of faith – seeking to uphold one another in prayer and reassuring one another of God's love.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you have sent us bread from heaven to give life to the whole world.

You are above all and through all and in all, and by your word all things were created.

You fed your people with manna from heaven, and even when they defied you, if they turned from their callous ways, you fed them again with your wisdom and truth.

In your Son, Jesus Christ, you have offered yourself to us as the bread of life that we might be nourished and built up as one body in the bond of peace.

Though he was murdered by those he fought to save, you raised him from the depths of the earth to fill the whole universe with his gifts and baptise all things into one body, held together by one spirit, under one Lord.

We join together with all creation in the eternal hymn.

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

THE CONSECRATION

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim his death and resurrection.

Send to us the Holy Spirit that this meal may be holy, and your people become one. Unite us in faith, inspire us to love, encourage us with hope that we may receive Christ as he comes to us in this holy banquet.

When we fall short of your love for the world, failing to love you with all that we are and turning our backs on our neighbours.

God have mercy, **have mercy upon us.**

Call us again as your children to return through the abundance of your grace along the liberating highway of hope. *(a silence is kept.)*

KYRIE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God, in tender mercy, does not cast us aside, or withdraw the Holy Spirit from us, but saves us, washing away our sin and cleansing us from our guilt. Sisters and Brothers, your sins are forgiven; be at peace. **Amen**

The children are invited to go to the lounge for special activities.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

May God bless to us the hearing of the Word, that we may not be hearers only but also doers of the Word.

FIRST READING 2 Samuel 11:26 – 12:13a

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. ²⁷When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. ¹² But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' ⁵Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.'

⁷Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; ⁸I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. ⁹Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.'

¹⁰Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. ¹¹Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. ¹²For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' ¹³David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.' Nathan said to David, 'Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die.

In this is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 51:1-12

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving kindness
in your great compassion blot out my offences.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions
and my sin is ever before me.

Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.

And so you are justified when you speak
and upright in your judgement

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

For behold, you look for truth deep within me,
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

Purge me from sin, and I shall be pure,
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

Make me hear of joy and gladness,
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

Hide you face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again,
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We bring our gifts in gratitude and hope.

In dedicating them, we dedicate ourselves again to being your people in the world, in the strength and enabling power of Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Offerings can be given via the Offering Box at the East Porch Door, or electronically – see back page for bank details. We give thanks also for the generous provision of grocery items provided each week by the congregation in our food donations box (also by the East Door), distributed to disadvantaged people.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The world's needs will always be innumerable, our resources will be small, and God's abundance will always be infinite. Let us pray.

Open our minds. Risen Christ that we might think beyond ourselves and spare a thought for those less fortunate.

Open our hearts, risen Christ that we might have more compassion when we think about those who suffer in the world.

Open our mouths, risen Christ, that we might join in your call for justice and speak up for those whose lives are downtrodden by poverty and affliction.

Open our hands, risen Christ, that we might find ways to serve the needs of others.

Open our lives, risen Christ, that we might follow daily in your way, giving of ourselves in your call to love others.

Open our faith, risen Christ, that we might be compelled beyond naïve belief and self-focused religion.

Open our lives, risen Christ, so that we might be saved from our self-preoccupation and work with you in your work of redemption and re-creation. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

Come, all you who are loved by God. Come to this table where bread is shared, and the fruit of the vine is shared.

Come and eat food with no cost. Come and drink with no money to pay.

We come to eat, to drink, and our hearts are glad.

The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN 551 Our hunger cries from plenty, Lord

1. Our hunger cries from plenty, Lord:
for bread which does not turn to
stone;
for peace the world can never give;
for truth unreached, for love
unknown.

3. Enlarge the boundaries of our love,
O Life of God, so freely given,
till all whom hunger breaks are
whole
through Christ, the broken bread of
heaven.

2. 'Let all who hunger come to me!'
Christ's bread is life, his word is
true;
our lives are grounded in that love
which is creating all things new.

Words: Colin P. Thompson b. 1945
Tune: 492 Wareham; William Knapp 1698-
1768

SERMON

THE RESPONSE TO GOD IN WORD AND ACTION

HYMN 311 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour - omit vs 4

1. Lord, enthroned in heavenly
splendour
first-begotten from the dead,
thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Jesu, true and living bread.

3. Though the lowliest form doth veil
thee
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there thine angels hail thee,
branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, alleluia,
we in worship join with them.

2. Here our humblest homage pay we,
here in loving reverence bow;
here for faith's discernment pray
we,
lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia, alleluia,
thou art here, we ask not how.

5. Life-imparting heavenly manna,
stricken rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud
hosanna worship thee, the Lamb
who died,
Alleluia, alleluia,
risen, ascended, glorified!

George Bourne 1840-1925
Tune: St Helen; G.C. Martin 1844-1916

Please stand for the dedication prayer

God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

In this is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Please stand for and face the gospel.

GOSPEL John 6:24-35

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you Lord

²⁴So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.