# St Andrew's, Chesterton Sung Eucharist

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#### **Introit - Lent Prose**

Hearken, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have sinned against thee.

To thee, Redeemer, King of highest heaven, Lift we our eyes in grief and deep abasement: Listen, O Saviour, to our supplications.

Congregation: Hearken, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have sinned against thee.

Head of the Corner, right hand of the Father, Way of salvation, gate of life eternal, Wash thou away the stain of our offences.

Congregation: Hearken, O Lord, ...

Lord, we beseech thee, from thy throne of glory Bow down thine ear to hear our cry of sorrow, Look down in mercy on our sore transgressions.

Congregation: Hearken, O Lord, ...

All our misdoings now we lay before thee, Unveil with contrite heart each guilty secret: Saviour, in pity grant us thy forgiveness.

Congregation: Hearken, O Lord, ...

Guiltless, a captive taken unresisting, By false accusers brought to condemnation, Save, Lord, and help the souls thou hast redeemèd.

Congregation: Hearken, O Lord, ...

10th Century Mozarabic hymn, Attende Domine.

## The Greeting

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 Service is introduced.

#### Confession

Christ the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. In his light let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

## Most merciful God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

## **Sung Kyrie**

Kyrie eleison Christe eleison Kyrie eleison.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### The Collect

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## Old Testament Reading - Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. <sup>33</sup> But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup> No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other,

'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 119:9-16

- 9 How shall young people cleanse their way to keep themselves according to your word?
- With my whole heart have I sought you;
   O let me not go astray from your
   commandments.
- Your words have I hidden within my heart, that I should not sin against you.
- Blessed are you, O Lord;O teach me your statutes.
- With my lips have I been telling of all the judgements of your mouth.
- I have taken greater delight in the way of your testimonies than in all manner of riches.
- I will meditate on your commandments and contemplate your ways.
- My delight shall be in your statutes and I will not forget your word.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

## **Gradual Hymn**

- I 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.
- 2 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, until it was 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.

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## Gospel Reading—John 12.20-33

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

#### Glory to you, O Lord

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. 21 They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' 22 Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 27 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' 29 The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' 30 Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. 31 Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' 33 He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. the dead.

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

## Sermon

## Choir song of response

God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoso believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved

Words: John 3:16. Music: John Stainer (1840-1901).

#### The Creed

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**

These responses may be used Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

And at the end
Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers
For the sake of your Son,
Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### The Peace

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

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



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## **Offertory Hymn**

 Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

- O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.
- O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail;
- 4. And that a higher gift than grace should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very self, and essence all-divine.
- generous love! that he, who smote in Man for man the foe, the double agony in Man for man should undergo;
- 6. And in the garden secretly, and on the cross on high, should teach his brethren, and inspire to suffer and to die.
- Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

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## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. **His 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.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and the choir sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues.

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

The Eucharistic Prayer ends with **Amen.** 

We kneel and keep a moment's silence

## 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**

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.

## **Agnus Dei**

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world. Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world. Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world. Grant us thy peace.

## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The president and people receive communion. Visitors who are communicant members of their home churches are welcome to receive communion at St Andrew's. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please signify this by bringing your order of service with you. There will be two communion stations — one at the Nave altar (for receiving the bread dipped in the wine), and one at the South Aisle altar (for receiving the bread and the wine separately), and for kneeling — if that is your preference.

If you would like someone to pray with you members of the wholeness and healing prayer group are available at the back of church.

## **Communion Motet**

O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Music: John Goss (1800-1880).

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and
sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.
Amen.

#### **Notices**

## **Sending Out Hymn**

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

- I Come, let us follow where our Captain trod, our King victorious, Christ the Son of God:
- O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee:
- 3 Let every race and every language tell of him who saves our souls from death and hell:
- From farthest regions let them homage bring, and on his cross adore their Saviour King:
- Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease beneath the shadow of its healing peace:
- 6 For thy blest cross which doth for all atone creation's praises rise before thy throne:

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#### Blessing

May the Father, who so loved the world that he gave his only Son, bring you by faith to his eternal life. **Amen.** 

May Christ, who accepted the cup of sacrifice in obedience to the Father's will, keep you steadfast as you walk with him the way of his cross. **Amen.** 

May the Spirit, who strengthens us to suffer with Christ that we may share his glory, set your minds on life and peace. **Amen.** 

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.