

St Andrew's, Chesterton

All-age Communion

16 January 2022

Second Sunday of Epiphany

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
and also with you.

Gathering Hymn

- 1 When I needed a neighbour,
were you there, were you there ?
When I needed a neighbour, were you there ?
*And the creed and the colour
and the name won't matter,
were you there ?*
- 2 I was hungry and thirsty,
were you there, were you there ?
I was hungry and thirsty, were you there ?
- 3 I was cold, I was naked,
were you there, were you there ?
I was cold, I was naked, were you there ?
- 4 When I needed a shelter,
were you there, were you there ?
When I needed a shelter, were you there ?
- 5 When I needed a healer,
were you there, were you there ?
When I needed a healer, were you there ?
- 6 Wherever you travel
I'll be there, I'll be there,
wherever you travel I'll be there.
*And the creed and the colour
and the name won't matter,
I'll be there.*

Sydney Carter (1915–2004)

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Confession

**God of mercy,
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.
We turn from the wrong that we have thought
and said
and done,
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,
forgive us for all that is past,
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord.
Amen**

The Collect

**Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 62.1-5

- ¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
- ²The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
- ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

- 1 Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets :
no one is his neighbour, all alone he eats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too ;
make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you.
- 2 Jesus Christ is raging, raging in the streets,
where injustice spirals and real hope retreats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too ;
in the Kingdom's causes let me rage with you.
- 3 Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets,
curing those who suffer, touching those he greets.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too ;
let my care be active, healing, just like you.
- 4 Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets,
where each sign of hatred he, with love, defeats.
Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too ;
where good conquers evil, let me dance with you.
- 5 Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,
'Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet.'
Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few :
walk one step before me, I will follow you.

John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (b. 1958)

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Gospel Reading

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 2.1-11

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, ¹⁰'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

cf Ephesians 3

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

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

Offertory Hymn

- 1 Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom,
come to him and bless his name.
Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever,
faithful to the end of days.
*Come then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.
Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.*
- 2 Power he has wielded, honour is his garment,
risen from the snares of death.
His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken,
new life he now gives to all.
- 3 Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow,
Spirit of our God most high ;
solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner,
splendour of the living God.
- 4 Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet,
praise God with the lute and harp ;
praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing,
praise God till the end of days.

Ernest Sands (b. 1949)

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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.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and God of might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he, blessed is he,
blessed is he who comes in the name,
he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

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 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

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

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
Jesus, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
Jesus, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
Jesus, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.**

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 have not been prepared for communion or would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please signify this by bringing your order of service with you.

Please wait to be invited forward to receive Communion. You will receive communion in both kinds (the bread will be dipped in the wine) unless you indicate to the minister that you would prefer just to receive the bread.

Communion Hymn

- 1 Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,
Lord, in your suffering world this is our prayer.
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase !
- 2 Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,
work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills.
Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,
voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.
*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
give us compassion, we pray :
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

- 3 Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share.
Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.
- 4 Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams,
plundered and poisoned: our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed;
make us content with the things that we need.
*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
give us compassion, we pray:
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*
- 5 Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame,
until your justice burns brightly again;
until the nations learn of your ways,
seek your salvation and bring you their praise.
God of the poor...

Graham Kendrick (b.1950)

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Prayer after Communion

**God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
Amen.**

Notices

Sending Out Hymn

- 1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.
*Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*
- 2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.
- 3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.
- 4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.
- 5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.

Bernadette Farrell (b.1957)

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Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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