

# St Andrew's, Chesterton All-age Communion

15 May 2022  
Fifth Sunday of Easter

## The Greeting

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

## Gathering Hymn—593

1 At the name of Jesus  
every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess him  
King of glory now:  
'tis the Father's pleasure  
we should call him Lord,  
who from the beginning  
was the mighty Word.

3 Humbled for a season,  
to receive a name  
from the lips of sinners  
unto whom he came,  
faithfully he bore it  
spotless to the last,  
brought it back victorious,  
when from death he passed

5 Name him, Christians, name him,  
with love strong as death,  
but with awe and wonder  
and with bated breath:  
he is God the Saviour,  
he is Christ the Lord,  
ever to be worshipped,  
trusted, and adored.

7 Surely, this Lord Jesus  
shall return again,  
with his Father's glory,  
with his angel train;  
for all wreaths of empire  
meet upon his brow,  
and our hearts confess him  
King of glory now.

CAROLINE MARIA NOEL (1817–1877)\*

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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,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlast-  
ing life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our  
minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

### **First Reading**

*Genesis 22.1-18*

22 After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' 2 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.' 3 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. 4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. 5 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.' 6 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. 7 Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' 8 Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together.

9 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. 10 Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. 11 But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' 12 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.' 13 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. 14 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.'

15 The angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, 16 and said, 'By myself I have sworn, says the Lord: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, 17 I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, 18 and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual Hymn—49**

1 Soon and very soon,  
we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon,  
we are going to see the King!  
Soon and very soon,  
we are going to see the King!

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*  
*We're going to see the King!*

2 No more crying there —  
we are going to see the King!  
No more crying there —  
we are going to see the King!  
No more crying there —  
we are going to see the King!

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*  
*We're going to see the King!*

3 No more dying there —  
we are going to see the King!  
No more dying there —  
we are going to see the King!  
No more dying there —  
we are going to see the King!

ANDRAE CROUCH (b. 1945)

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### **Gospel Reading**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*John 13.31-35*

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. 32 If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. 33 Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." 34 I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

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

## **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.**

## **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—472**

1 You are the vine and we are the branches,  
prune and make us bear more fruit.  
We have been cleansed by the word which you have spoken;  
abide in us, and we in you.

2 You are the vine, and we are the branches,  
apart from you we are nothing at all.  
Teach us to love as you have commanded,  
come to us now, abide in us.

3 You have commanded us to love one another  
there is no greater commandment than this.  
No greater love has been shown to your people,  
than to lay down your life for us.

GORDON GILES (b.1966)

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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.**

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**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 pre-  
pared for communion or would prefer to receive a blessing in-*

*stead, 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**

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
By this shall all know that you are my disciples:  
if you have love one for another.  
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if you have love one for another.

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
You are my friends if you do what I command you.  
Without my help you can do nothing.  
You are my friends if you do what I command you.  
Without my help you can do nothing.

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
I am the true vine, my Father is the gard'ner.  
Abide in me: I will be with you.  
I am the true vine, my Father is the gard'ner.  
Abide in me: I will be with you.

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
True love is patient, nor arrogant nor boastful;  
Love bears all things, love is eternal.  
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John 13:34-35

Author Unknown

## **Prayer after Communion**

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;

**who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.**

## **Notices**

### **Sending Out Hymn-748**

I O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
be thou for ever near me,  
my Master and my Friend:  
I shall not fear the battle  
if thou art by my side,

nor wander from the pathway  
if thou wilt be my guide.

\* 2 O let me feel thee near me:  
the world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
the tempting sounds I hear;  
my foes are ever near me,  
around me and within;  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,  
and shield my soul from sin.

3 O let me hear thee speaking  
in accents clear and still  
above the storms of passion,  
the murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me,  
speak, and make me listen,  
thou guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, thou hast promised  
to all who follow thee,  
that where thou art in glory  
there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end:  
O give me grace to follow,  
my Master and my Friend.

5 O let me see thy foot-marks,  
and in them plant mine own;  
my hope to follow duly  
is in thy strength alone:  
O guide me, call me, draw me,  
uphold me to the end;  
and then in heaven receive me,  
my Saviour and my Friend.

JOHN ERNEST BODE (1816–1874)

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## **Blessing**

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

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