



# The Second Sunday of Epiphany Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022, 10am

## The Gathering

Words of welcome

#### Hymn

Please stand

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

The president says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

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

## **Prayers of Penitence**

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

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.

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.** 

#### Gloria



**The Collect** 

Let us pray.

#### Silence is kept.

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 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

# The Liturgy of the Word

# Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

For 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. The 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. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You 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. For 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.

# Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Reading**



## Please stand.

CELTIC ALLELUIA

## The Gospel is announced.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

## Gospel reading: John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When 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, '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.' Jesus 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** 

CELTIC ALLELUIA



Sermon

#### Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

## **Affirmation of Faith**

#### Please stand.

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**

Please sit or kneel.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need: Naomi Lawrence, Charles Reade, Kate Samuel, Mary Jenkins, Barbara Farrar, Josie, Grace, Sue Saville, Vincent, Wilfred Wong, Bob Nind.

Those who have died recently: Stuart William Douglas. John Stubbles. Rosemary Hill. Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Pauline Burge, Marion Tribe, Brian Thompson, Beryl Baker, Cynthia Bateman, William Snowdon, Amy Reynolds, Rose Gordon, Lancelot Lofthouse.

And at the end

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Please stand

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you are called to peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.** 

Let us offer one another a sign of Peace.

You are invited to exchange a sign of peace with a bow or a wave or a smile – please remain in your place.

#### Hymn

Christ is the King! O friends rejoice; brothers and sisters with one voice tell all the world he is your choice. *Alleluia*.

O magnify the Lord, and raise anthems of joy and holy praise for Christ's brave saints of ancient days. *Alleluia*.

They with a faith for ever new followed the King, and round him drew thousands of faithful hearts and true. *Alleluia*.

O Christian women, Christian men, all the world over, seek again the Way disciples followed then. *Alleluia*.

Christ through all ages is the same: place the same hope in his great name, with the same faith his word proclaim. *Alleluia*. Let love's unconquerable might your scattered companies unite in service to the Lord of light. *Alleluia*.

So shall God's will on earth be done, new lamps be lit, new tasks begun, and the whole church at last be one. *Alleluia*.

George Kennedy Allen Bell (1883-1958)

# Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.** 

Please sit or stand as you are most comfortable

## The 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.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:



We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

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

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

## The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour taught us, so we pray. 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.



God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

As the president receives the bread and wine, all who wish to receive communion join in saying 'Amen'.

The body of Christ, keep you in eternal life. **Amen**. The blood of Christ, keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

This is God's table and all are welcome here. Please follow the directions of the steward and follow the one-way system as you return to your seat. Please do also come forwards if you would like a prayer of blessing instead, and hold onto this booklet to indicate this.

## Hymn

Father, Lord of all creation, ground of being, life and love; height and depth beyond description only life in you can prove: you are mortal life's dependence: thought, speech, sight are ours by grace; yours is every hour's existence, sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the Man for others, we, your people, make our prayer: help us love – as sisters, brothers – all whose burdens we can share. Where your name binds us together you, Lord Christ, will surely be; where no selfishness can sever there your love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning wind and flame of Pentecost, fire our hearts afresh with yearning to regain what we have lost. May your love unite our action, never more to speak alone: God, in us abolish faction, God, through us your love make known.

Stewart Cross (1928-1989)

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Silence is kept.

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. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ, and you have made yourself known in the breaking of the bread. Abide with us, we pray, that, blessed by your royal presence, we may walk with you all the days of our life, and at its end behold you in the glory of the eternal Trinity, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Sending Out

#### Hymn

Please stand

Rejoice! The Lord is King, your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore: *Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*  Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above: *Lift up...* 

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given: *Lift up...* 

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet: *Lift up...* 

Rejoice in glorious hope; Jesus the judge shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home: *We soon shall hear the archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound: rejoice!* 

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

## **The Blessing**

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

## **The Dismissal**

We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.** 

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#### Notices: January 16th

#### Sunday Jan 16th The Second Sunday of Epiphany.

8am – Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 10am – Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

#### **Midweek Services**

Morning Prayer: Mondays at 9am Tots Service: Tuesdays at 10am Midweek Communion: Wednesdays at 10am Prayers for Hope and Healing: Thursdays at 8.30pm (via Zoom).

**Love's Philosophy** a recital of songs and arias celebrating St Valentine's Day at The Coach House on Saturday February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Donations towards the Church Development Building fund. Our thanks to Maggie Cooper and her Mum Maureen Cooper for organising this fundraising event. Please come and support.

**The Auction** has been postponed due to the current Covid situation but will go ahead in the Summer. Please look out for further updates.

Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity there will be a prayer service to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on Sunday **January 23rd at 3pm**, at All Saints Church. The service has been planned by the Churches of the Middle East and is a reflective service based on Matthew 2.1-12 (the Journey of the Magi). There will be hymns, prayers and an opportunity for silent meditation on the gospel passage. All are welcome.

**Bring and Fix Café:** Do your New Year Resolutions include being eco-friendly and repairing a few malfunctioning appliances and household items? But you lack the know-how? Don't condemn such items to landfill! Experts will fix them for free on Tuesdays 10-12 at Gladstone Rd. Community Centre, OX3 8LL. **List of Eco Resources:** The list of webinars, other programmes on eco matters in the early part of 2022, and for suggested eco reading material, please see: <u>https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/</u> (Hilary Rollin for HTHQ Eco Church Group)

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