



5th May 2024 - Sixth Sunday of Easter - Yr B

Joh 15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.



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**Sunday
Service of Holy
Communion**

8.30am



**Rev Melissa
Conway**

Jn 13:35 "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

Look for the symbols:

Please stand as you are able



Please sit



Time to sing





THE INTROIT HYMN - (SOF 390)



Meekness And Majesty

Graham Kendrick

**1. Meekness and majesty,
Manhood and deity
In perfect harmony,
The Man who is God
Lord of eternity, Dwells in humanity
Kneels in humility
And washes our feet**



Chorus:

***O what a mystery,
Meekness and majesty
Bow down and worship,
For this is your God
This is your God***



**2. Father's pure radiance,
Perfect in innocence
Yet learns obedience,
To death on a cross
Suffering to give us life,
Conquering through sacrifice
And as they crucify,
Prays 'Father forgive'**



Chorus:

***O what a mystery,
Meekness and majesty
Bow down and worship,
For this is your God
This is your God***



**3. Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible
Love indestructible,
In frailty appears
Lord of infinity,
Stooping so tenderly
Lifts our humanity,
To the heights of His throne**



Chorus:

***O what a mystery,
Meekness and majesty
Bow down and worship,
For this is your God
This is your God***

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY



The priest:

We acknowledge and pay respect to the Jarawair, Gaibal and western Wakka Wakka peoples, the Traditional Custodians and Ancestors of this land. We acknowledge their continued survival and spiritual connection to country and surrounding land, sky and water. We pay our respects to their Elders, past and present, and to everyone who is here today, and may we learn from and nurture each other in the spirit of reconciliation.



GATHERING GOD'S PEOPLE

The priest:

Blessed be God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's Kingdom,
now and forever.**



*The LA reads **THE SENTENCE**:*

Jesus said, 'You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit.'

John 15.16



The priest:
Christ is risen. Alleluia.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Words of welcome



The LA:

Let us pray:

**Almighty God,
To whom all hearts are open,
All desires known,
And from whom no secrets are
hidden:**



**Cleanse the thoughts
of our hearts
By the inspiration
of your Holy Spirit,
That we may perfectly love you,
And worthily
magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**





The minister introduces the confession with these words.

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’



Jesus said, 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'



Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence may be kept.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.



**Merciful God
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,**



**and in what we have failed to do
we have not loved you
with our whole heart;
we have not loved
our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent,
and are sorry for all our sins.**



**Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us
to love and obey you
in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**



The Priest:

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all
who turn to him in faith:
pardon us and set us free
from all our sins,
strengthen us in all goodness
and keep us in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The LA leads:

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.



**Glory, glory to God in the highest,
Peace, peace to God's
people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks,
We praise you for your glory.**



**Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy upon us;
You are seated at
the right hand of the Father:
Receive our prayer.**



**You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High Jesus
Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.**



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:



Let us pray.

Loving God,
your Son has chosen us
and called us to be his friends:
give us grace to keep his commandments,



to love one another,
and to bear fruit which will abide;
through him who is the true vine,
the source of all our life,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Children's Time

Children are invited forward for a short story.





MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 10.44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had



been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.



Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



Psalm 98

1 O sing to the Lord a new song: for he has done marvellous things;

2 His right hand and his holy arm: they have got him the victory.



3 The Lord has made known his salvation: he has revealed his just deliverance in the sight of the nations.

4 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel: and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.



5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth: break into singing and make melody.

6 Make melody to the Lord upon the harp: upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.



7 With trumpets and with horns:
cry out in triumph before the Lord,
the king.

**8 Let the sea roar, and all that fills
it: the good earth and those who
live upon it.**



9 Let the rivers clap their hands:
and let the mountains ring out
together before the Lord;

**10 For he comes to judge the
earth: he shall judge the world with
righteousness, and the peoples
with equity.**



**Response: Glory to God, Father,
Son and Holy Spirit,
as in the beginning
so now and forever. Amen.**



SECOND READING: 1 John 5.1-2

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.



For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?



This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree.



If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son.



And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.



GRADUAL HYMN (SOF 97/Source 97)



Father I place into Your hands

Composer Unknown

**1. Father, I place into Your hands
the things I cannot do.**

**Father, I place into Your hands
the things that I've been through.**

**Father, I place into Your hands
the way that I should go,**

For I know - I always can trust You.



**2. Father, I place into Your hands
my friends and family,
Father, I place into Your hands
the things that trouble me.
Father, I place into Your hands
the person I would be,
For I know – I always can trust You.**



**3. Father we love to see Your face,
we love to hear Your voice,
Father, we love to sing Your praise
and in Your name rejoice.
Father we love to walk with You
and in Your presence rest,
For we know – we always can trust
You.**



**4. Father, I want to be with You
and do the things You do.
Father, I want to speak the words
that You are speaking too.
Father I want to love the ones
that You will draw to You,
For I know that I am one with You.**



Halle Halle Halle lu-jah
Halle Halle Halle lu-jah
Halle Halle Halle lu-jah
Hallelujah Hallelujah

 The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

**✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John, Chapter 15 verses
9-17**

All - Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As the Father has loved me, so I have
loved you; abide in my love.



If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.



‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have



called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.



I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Halle Halle Halle lu-jah
Halle Halle Halle lu-jah
Halle Halle Halle lu-jah
Hallelujah Hallelujah



The Sermon



A time of reflection may follow.



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH



LA:

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**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 of the Holy Spirit
and the virgin Mary,
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate, 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.**



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The prayers are offered.





The Intercessor or LA:

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ
our Lord who taught us to 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

**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 LA

Jesus said:

I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

John 6.35



Let us pray:

**We do not presume,
To come to your table, merciful Lord
Trusting in our own righteousness,
But in your manifold and great
mercies,
We are not worthy so much as to
gather up the crumbs under your
table.**





**But you are the same Lord
Whose nature is always
to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son
Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
That we may evermore dwell in him,
And he in us. Amen.**





THE GREETING OF PEACE



The priest:

We are the body of Christ!

Whose spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please greet each other with as sign of God's peace.



OFFERTORY HYMN (Hyfrydol) (TIS 517)

Hallelujah Sing To Jesus

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**1. Hallelujah sing to Jesus
His the sceptre His the throne
Hallelujah His the triumph
His the victory alone
Hark the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood
Jesus out of every nation has
redeemed us by His blood**



**2. Hallelujah not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now
Hallelujah He is near us,
faith believes nor questions how
Though the cloud from sight
received Him when
the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget His
promise 'I am with you evermore'**



**3. Hallelujah Bread of heaven
and on earth our food our stay
Hallelujah here the sinful flee
to you from day to day
Intercessor friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer plead for me
Where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea**



**Hallelujah King eternal,
you the Lord of lords we own
Hallelujah born of Mary,
earth your footstool
heaven your throne
You within the veil have entered
robed in flesh our great High
Priest
You on earth both priest and
victim in the eucharistic feast**





PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The priest:

Blessed are you, Lord,
God of all creation.

Through your goodness
we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings
for your glory

and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.





THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The priest:

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 our thanks and
praise!**

All glory and honour be yours
always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.
We give you thanks and
praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,



who by the power of your
Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.
By his death on the cross,
he offered the one true sacrifice for
sin, and obtained an eternal
deliverance for his people.



And now we give you thanks
that you raised him
to life triumphant,
and exalted him in glory.
By his victory over death,
the reign of sin is ended,
a new day has dawned,
a broken world is restored
and we are made whole once more.



Therefore with angels
and archangels,
And with all the company of heaven,
We proclaim your great
and glorious name,
Forever praising you and saying:



**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord,
hosanna in the highest.**



Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your
Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and
blood.



On the night he was betrayed

Jesus took bread;

and when he had given you thanks

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,

saying,

'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'





After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.'



This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many for the
forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in
remembrance of me.'



We proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our
Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious
ascension,





and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate,
with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:





**Blessing and honour
and glory and power
are yours forever and ever. Amen.**



The priest:

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.



**Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us your peace.**

The gifts of God
for the people of God.
Come let us take this holy sacrament
of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.





COMMUNION



This is God's table – everyone is invited! You are welcome to participate as your faith and conscience allows. Please sanitise your hands as you approach in one line to the altar.

Gluten free wafers are available – please come forward first.

If you do not wish to receive the common cup, return to your seat.

If you prefer to receive a blessing, holding your hands behind your back will let the priest know.

You are of course welcome to remain in your seat and enjoy this time of peace.



COMMUNION HYMN (MP 750) **WHAT KIND OF LOVE IS THIS**

Bryn & Sally Haworth



**1. What kind of love is this?
That gave itself for me?
I am the guilty one, yet I go free.
What kind of love is this,
a love I've never known;
I didn't even know His name—
What kind of love is this?**



**2. What kind of man is this,
that died in agony?
He, who had done no wrong,
was crucified for me.
What kind of man is this,
who laid aside His throne
That I may know the love of
God—What kind of man is this?**



**3. By grace I have been saved, it
is the gift of God.
He destined me to be His child,
such is His love.
No eye has ever seen, no ear has
ever heard,
Nor has the heart of man conceived
what kind of love is this?**





POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The priest: Let us pray...

Eternal God, giver of life,
in the breaking of the bread
we know the risen Lord.

May we who celebrate this holy feast
walk in his risen light and bring new
life to all creation.



**Father,
we offer ourselves to you
as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the
power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.**





Weekly
Announcements



NOTICES AND BIRTHDAYS



Happy birthday to you,

May Jesus bless you.

May he guide you and keep you.

Happy birthday to you.





MISSIONAL HYMN (TiS 245)

We Have A Gospel To Proclaim

Edward J. Burns



**1. We have a gospel to proclaim,
Good news for all throughout
the earth**

**The gospel of a Saviour's Name,
we sing His glory tell His worth**



**2. Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,
not in a royal house or hall
But in a stable dark and dim,
the Word made flesh
a light for all**



**3. Tell of His death at Calvary,
hated by those He came to save
In lonely suffering on the cross
for all He loved His life He gave**



**4. Tell of that glorious Easter
morn,
empty the tomb for He was free
He broke the power
of death and hell
that we might share His victory**



**5. Tell of His reign at God's right
hand by all creation glorified
He sends His Spirit
on His church
to live for Him
the Lamb who died**



**6. Now we rejoice
to name Him King,
Jesus is Lord of all the earth
The gospel-message
we proclaim we sing
His glory, tell His worth**

THE BLESSING

The priest declares God's blessing:

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight;



and the blessing
of God almighty,
the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit,
be among you
and remain with you always.
Amen.



DISMISSAL



Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Please join us for morning tea!

