



Welcome to St Margaret's Church Ifield
Loved as you are



Sunday 23rd April 2023
Easter 3

Everyone is welcome to St Margaret's. In this service of the Eucharist we remember with thanksgiving the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and his self-giving for the sins of the whole world. As the bread and wine are offered, symbols of that self-giving, so we offer ourselves to God and receive at communion the life of Christ. So nourished, we are enabled to go out into the world to live in the service of God.

As we gather before the service, we speak to God. During the service, we let God speak to us. After the service, we speak to each other.

THE GATHERING

As we gather together

Prélude from Douze Pièces pour Orgue

Théodore Dubois 1837-1924

Processional Hymn

**All People that on Earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.**

**The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.**

**O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto,
Praise, laud and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.**

**For why? The Lord our God is good:
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.**

**To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel-host
Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.**

Words: William Kethe d. 1594 from 'Day's Psalter 1560-1561

Music: Genevan Psalter 1551

THE GREETING

**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.**

**Alleluia – Christ is risen
He is risen indeed – Alleluia!**

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**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.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us.

Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

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

Amen.

THE GLORIA

**Glory be to God in heaven,
peace to those who love him well;
on the earth let all his people
speak his grace, his wonders tell.
Lord, we praise you for your glory,
Mighty Father, heaven's king;
hear our joyful adoration
and accept the thanks we bring.**

**Only Son of God the Father,
Lamb who takes our sins away,
now with him in triumph seated
for your mercy, Lord we pray.
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,
Saviour, you are God alone
in the glory of the Father
with the Spirit: Three in One!**

Words: Michael Perry b. 1942

Music: Adapted from 9th Symphony, Ludwig van Beethoven 1770-1827

THE COLLECT

*The priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words, 'Let us pray.'
The Collect is said, and all respond, Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the readings:

First Reading

Acts 2.14a, 36-41

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1.17-23

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel:

The Gospel Reading

Luke 24.13-35

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please remain standing until the preacher has introduced the Sermon

THE SERMON

We stand

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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

*Prayers for the Church, the world, and for all human need. After each
petition the following response is used:*

All Lord, in your mercy
 Hear our prayer

and at the end of the prayers:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

We stand to share the peace.

The Sign of Peace

The priest introduces the sign of Peace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.
All may exchange a sign of peace.

Please remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.

The Presentation of the Gifts

During the Offertory hymn the bread and wine and the collection are brought to the altar and the altar is prepared.

During the Preparation of the Table:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation,
O my soul, praise him for he is our health and salvation,
All you who hear, now to his altar draw near,
Join in profound adoration.

Praise to the Lord, let us offer our gifts at his altar,
Let not our sins and transgressions now cause us to falter.
Christ, the High Priest, bids us all join in his feast,
Gathered with him at the altar.

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in us adore him!
 All that has life and breath come now in praises before him!
 Let the Amen sound from his people again,
 Now as we worship before him.**

Words: Joachim Neander 1650-1680 trans: Catherine Winkworth 1827-1878

Music: Melody from 'Praxis Pietatis Melica' 17th Century German, as set in The Chorale Book for England 1863

At the end of the Blessing of the Gifts we respond

Blessed be God forever

We sit or stand for

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.

The priest praises God for his mighty acts and at the end we sing

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 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might, -
 10
 Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry; ho - san - na
 17
 in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name
 26
 of the Lord Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The priest continues with the prayer which recalls the Last Supper, after the elevation the priest says, 'Great is the mystery of Faith'



The prayer continues and concludes with the doxology where we respond,



THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated 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.

1 Lamb of God you take a - way the sins _____
 6 of the world, have mer - cy on us.
 12 Lamb of God you take a - way the
 16 sins _____ of the world, grant _____ us peace.

The 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.**

Draw near with faith. Receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his Blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Please sit and wait to be directed for Communion.

*The sacrament will be administered to the congregation in both kinds. As the priest offers you the host with the words 'The Body of Christ' please respond **Amen**.*

*When you are offered the chalice to take a sip with the words 'The Blood of Christ,' please respond **Amen**.*

During the distribution of Communion:

Communion

César Franck 1822-1890

Reflection

Broken for me, broken for you, the Body of Jesus, broken for you.
He offered his Body, he poured out his soul,
Jesus was broken that we might be whole.

Broken for me, broken for you, the Body of Jesus, broken for you.
Come to my table and with me dine,
Eat of my bread and drink of my wine.

Broken for me, broken for you, the Body of Jesus, broken for you.
This is my Body given for you,
Eat it remembering I died for you.

Broken for me, broken for you, the Body of Jesus, broken for you.
This is my Blood I shed for you,
For your forgiveness, making you new.

Words and Music: Janet Lunt b. 1954

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Priest prays the post-communion prayer followed by

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's Body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BANNS

NOTICES

THE BLESSING

The priest gives the blessing
Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

We go into the world to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love,
and to reflect God's glory.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Final Hymn

**Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices,
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven.
The one Eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.**

Words: Martin Rinkart 1586-1649 tr: Catherine Winkworth 1827-1878

Music: Johann Crüger harm: William Henry Monk 1823-1899

Postlude

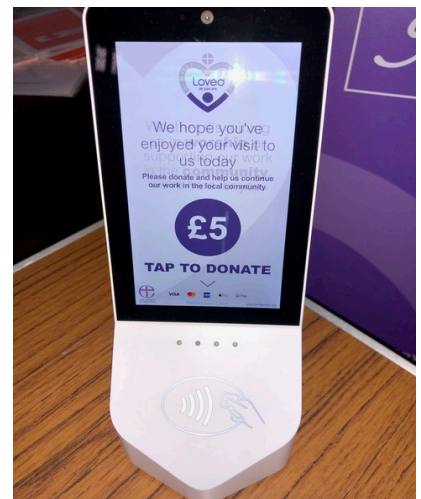
Plein Jeu Full Chorus from Pièces d'Orgue
Louis Marchand 1669-1732

Louis Marchand 1669 – 1732 was a French Baroque organist, harpsichordist, and composer. Born into an organist's family, Marchand was a child prodigy and quickly established himself as one of the best-known French virtuosos of his time. He worked as organist of numerous churches and, for a few years, as one of the four 'organistes du roy'. Comparatively few works by Marchand survive, most of them dating from the early stages of his career. The most numerous and arguably most important are his organ works. These pieces include a number of important pieces: the massive Grand Dialogue (1696), a harmonically adventurous Fond d'orgue, the Quatuor, a four-part fugue that was quintessential to French organist-composers, and a Plein jeu with a canon in double pedals.

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Notices

Service next Sunday:
Easter 4

Sung Eucharist (11.00 am)
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