

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

Sunday 6th August 2023 The Transfiguration



Everyone is welcome to St Margaret's and we encourage all to take part fully in this service. If you have **mobility issues** that make it difficult for you to come and receive communion, should you want to, then do please notify our sides-people, and we will come to you

THE GATHERING

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.

No 1 from Three Liturgical Improvisations: 'My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord'

George Oldroyd 1887-1956

We stand and sing at the entrance of the clergy

Processional Hymn

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring, Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! Praise him, Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress,
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him,
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame he knows,
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him,
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, helps us to adore him,
Ye behold him face to face,
Sun and moon bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space,
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him,
Praise with us the God of grace.

Words based on Ps 103: Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847

Music: John Goss 1800-1880

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.

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.

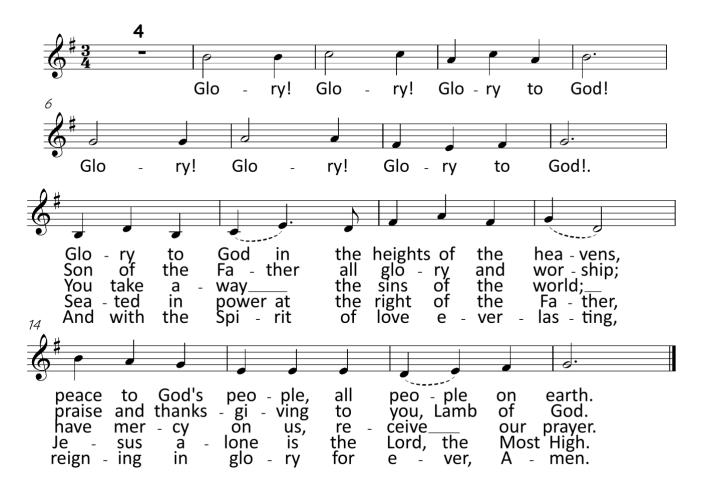
PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

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 your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA



THE COLLECT

The deacon 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

First Reading

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

2 Peter 1.16-19; This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel

Voluntary

Louis Spohr 1764-1859

The Gospel Reading

Luke 9.28-36

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

and was made man.

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

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:

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer** and at the end of the prayers:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

We stand to share 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.

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you. You alone are my strength, my shield, to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

I want you more than gold or silver only you can satisfy. You alone are the real joy-giver and the apple of my eye. You alone are my strength, my shield, to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you. You're my friend and you are my brother, even though you are a king. I love you more than any other, so much more than anything. You alone are my strength, my shield, to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

Words based on Ps 2:1-12 and Music: Martin Nystrom b. 1956

At the end of the Blessing of the Gifts please respond

Blessed be God forever

We sit or stand

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you And also with you

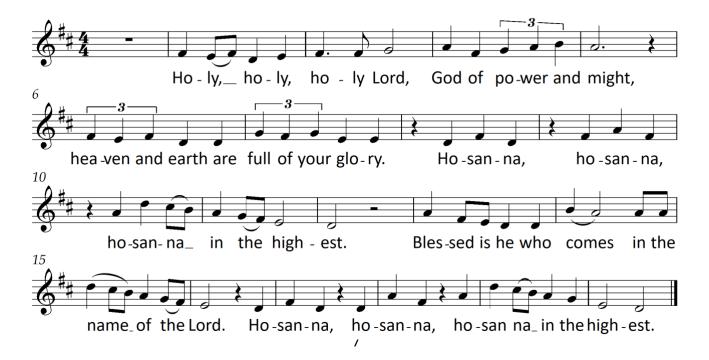
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

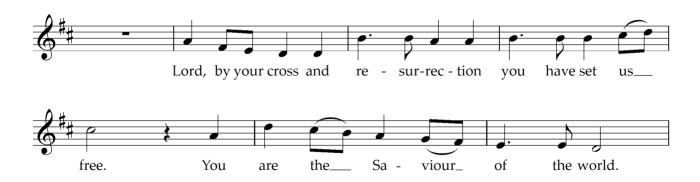
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

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



The priest continues with the prayer which recalls the Last Supper, after the elevation the deacon 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.

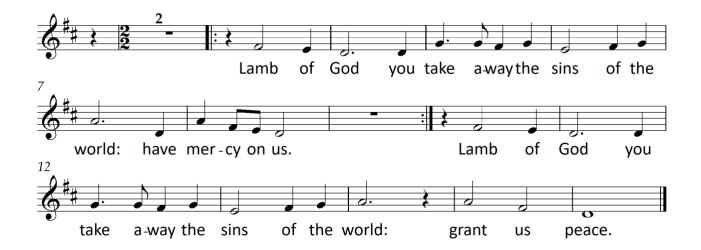
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

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. 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.

During the distribution of Communion

Jesu Redemptor Omnium No 2 from Sixteen Chorales *Marcel Dupré 1886-1971*

Reflection

O Let all who thirst, let them come to the water.

And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:

Without money, without price.

Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?

And let all who seek, let them come to the water.

And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:

Without money, without strife.

Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, let them come to the water.

And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord:

All who labour, without rest.

How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?

And let all the poor, let them come to the water.
Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord:
Bring the children without might.
Easy the load and light: come to the Lord!
Words based on Is 55:1-12 and Music: John B Foley SJ b. 1939

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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

NOTICES

THE DISMISSAL

Please stand

The priest gives the blessing **Amen.**

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

Recessional Hymn

I the Lord of Sea and sky, I have heard my people cry,
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

Words and Music: Daniel L Schutte b. 1947

Postlude

Fuga BWV557 No V from Eight Little Preludes and Fugues

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

The authorship of the Eight Little Preludes and Fugues is debated, some argue they were composed by a pupil of Bach. e composed during the years 1708-1717. The G

major fuga The subject of the G major fuga is syncopated so, as in the 'Well Tempered Klavier' modulations before or after stretto (the imitation of the subject in close succession) entries are easily accomplished

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Trinity 10	Sung Eucharistic Service (11.00 am)
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