

Zoom Worship, 7th March 2021



9.45am Zoom starts admitting people

Song: Turning over Tables

10.00am Welcome and introduction

The Lord is Here **His Spirit is with us**

- As usual, we will mute everyone with us on zoom unless they are speaking.
- If you need or want to communicate with the host or everyone on zoom please feel free to use the chat facility. E.g. if you want to respond to the singing or testimony or preaching or if you have a technical issue and want help.

Opening prayer

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.

Confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
The first commandment is this:
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'
The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted



by the devil. Let us confess our sins remembering before God the times when we have fallen from temptation into sin.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw *us* to himself, and cleanse *us* from all *our* sins that *we* may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Collect

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,

Whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, And entered not into glory before he was crucified:

Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
May find it none other than the way of life and peace;
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

First Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Christ the Power and Wisdom of God

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided,



through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

This is the word of the Lord

All. Thanks be to God

Silence

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. I am the light of the world, says the Lord, whoever follows me will have the light of life.

John 8.12

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

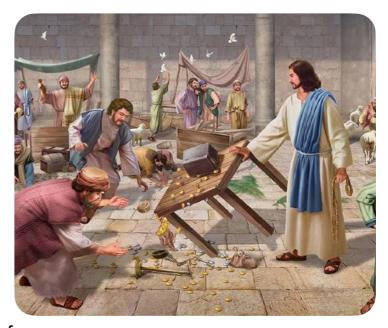
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Mark All* Glory to you, O Lord.



John 2:13-22

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of



here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me. 'The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Talk by Lizzie Reynolds, ordinand at St Hild's College



Declaration of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Hymn: <u>Inspired by love and anger by John L Bell and</u> Graham Maule

INSPIRED BY LOVE AND ANGER

Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain, Informed of God's own bias, we ask him once again: "How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind? How long dare vain self-interest turn prayer and pity blind?"

From those forever victims of heartless human greed,
Their cruel plight composes a litany of need:
"Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace?
When is the day when prisoners and dreams find their release?"



From those forever shackled to what their wealth can buy, The fear of lost advantage provoke the bitter cry: "Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth! Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!"

To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age, We offer earth's indifference, its agony and rage: "When will the wronged by righted? When will the kingdom come? When will the world be generous to all instead of some?"

God asks, "Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach? And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach? And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know? And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?"

Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat, Attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote, A saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools Has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.

(Tune: Sally Gardens (Irish trad.) c. Wild Goose Publications, c/o The Iona Community)

Prayers led by Paul Bartle

The Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

Romans 5.1.2

The Peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace – in person or by text or message! Zoom peace is saved for coffee time!

Communion Hymn: When I survey the wondrous cross by Isaac Watts



The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good

to give you thanks and praise,

almighty God and everlasting Father,

through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days

you lead us into the desert of repentance

that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline

we may grow in grace

and learn to be your people once again.

Through fasting, prayer and acts of service

you bring us back to your generous heart.

Through study of your holy word

you open our eyes to your presence in the world

and free our hands to welcome others

into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast

with joyful hearts and minds

we bless you for your mercy

and join with saints and angels

for ever praising you and saying:

All 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.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,

through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,

and as we follow his example and obey his command,

grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit

these gifts of bread and wine

may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,

took bread and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;



do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper

he took the cup and gave you thanks;

he gave it to them, saying:

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,

we remember his offering of himself

made once for all upon the cross;

we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;

we look for the coming of your kingdom,

and with this bread and this cup

we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

(Accept through him, our great high priest,

this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,

and as we eat and drink these holy gifts

in the presence of your divine majesty,

renew us by your Spirit,

inspire us with your love

and unite us in the body of your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,

we worship you, Father almighty,

in songs of everlasting praise:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power

be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lords 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.

Post-communion prayer

Lord God,
you have renewed us
with the living bread from heaven;
By it you nourish our faith,
Increase our hope,
And strengthen our love:
Teach us always to hunger for him
who is the true and living bread,
And enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your mouth. Amen.

The Blessing

The love of God be the passion in your heart.
The joy of God your strength when times are hard.
The presence of God a peace that overflows.
The Word of God the seed that you might sow.
and the blessing of God Almighty,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
Be among us and remain with us always. **Amen**.

Notices

The Dismissal

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

Song: Reckless Love (Official Lyric Video)