



**Eucharist for the Sunday after Ascension Day  
24<sup>th</sup> May 2020 – Priest**

**Preparation:**

*You may like to have ready  
a candle to light,  
some bread and wine.*

**The candle is lit.**

**Gathering**

God has gone up with a shout,

**All: the Lord has gone up with the sound of a trumpet.** *Psalm 47.5*

**Greeting**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

**All: and also with you.**

**Introduction**

**First Bible Reading – Acts 1:6-14**

*At the end...*

This is the word of the Lord,

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Confession**

*Introduction and then...*

Let us then open ourselves to the Lord  
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**All: We have lived by our own strength,  
and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Lord, hear us and help us.  
We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Lord, hear us and help us.**

**We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Lord, hear us and help us.**

### **Absolution**

#### **Gloria in Excelsis**

**All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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 on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For 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 for the Sunday after Ascension Day**

*At the end...*

**All: Amen**

#### **Song The Servant King**

#### **The Gospel - John 17:1-11**

*At the beginning:*

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

**Al: Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### **Reflection**

#### **Nicene Creed (responsorial)**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

**All: 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,

**All: 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.

**All 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;

**All: 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,

**All: the Lord, the giver of life,**  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

**All: With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.**  
He has spoken through the prophets.

**All: We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.**

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**All: We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **The Prayers**

*After each section:*

Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer**

*At the end*

Merciful Father,

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

### **The Peace**

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

If you love me, rejoice because I am going to the Father'. Alleluia.

*John 14.27,28*

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All: and also with you.**

### **Preparation of the Table**

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

Blessed be God,

by whose grace creation is renewed,

by whose love heaven is opened,

by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

### **The Thanksgiving Prayer (Prayer B)**

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.**

*The Priest praises God ending with...*

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.**

*The Priest recall The Last Supper ending with...*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer concludes with...*

...all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Looking for the coming of his kingdom,

as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All: 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 Bread**

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**All: Now we are raised to new life.**

We were buried in your tomb.

**All: Now we share in your resurrection.**

**Live in us, that we may live in you.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

*We receive Communion*

### **Prayer after Communion:**

God our Father,

you have raised our humanity in Christ

and have fed us with the bread of heaven:

mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings,

we may set our hearts in the heavenly places;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**All: We thank you, Lord,  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

### **Notices**

### **Song**

Alleluia, sing to Jesus...

### **Dismissal**

### **Responsory**

As we wait in silence,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we listen to your word,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we worship you in majesty,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we long for your refreshing,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we long for your renewing,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we long for your equipping,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering,

**All: make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

### **Blessing**

*At the end...*

**All: Amen.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit,  
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**The candle is extinguished**