



**St Peter's**  
Hammersmith

**29th May 2022**  
**(Ascension Sunday)**

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10.30 am

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Senior steward: Caroline Langton  
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Readers: Cynthia Sparke, Bridget Stevenson  
Intercessions: Paul Brett  
Crèche: Hester Campbell  
Children's club: Rachel Roberts  
Coffee: Victoria MacDonald, Heli Coxhead, Emily WP  
Flowers: Joanna Woods

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

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

*We ask God for healing and forgiveness*

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

*The priest pronounces the Absolution, and we sing the Gloria*

**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*

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

*Acts 1.1-11*

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Luke 24.44-53*

Jesus said to the disciples, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.' Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit for the sermon, and stand to affirm our faith*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world ?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed humanity ?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God ?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*We sit or kneel for intercessions, with the response*

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*And at the end,*

Merciful Father,

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

# Liturgy of the Sacrament

*We stand for the peace*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

<i>HYMN 130     Hail the day that sees him rise</i>
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*Those who wish to make a donation to the offertory collection are reminded that collection plates and a card reader are available at the back of church at the end of the service.*

## *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 praise God for his mighty acts, and all respond:*

**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.**

*The priest recalls the Last Supper, with the acclamation:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

*The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond:*

**Amen.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

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.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

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you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

*The congregation are invited to communion with the words*

Behold 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.**

*After all have received, the priest prays the post communion prayer, and we say together*

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

*We remain seated for notices, and stand for the blessing*

**Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:  
*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name.***

**Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!  
power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:  
*Yours the glory...***

**Suffering servant, scorned, ill - treated,  
victim crucified!  
death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:  
*Yours the glory...***

**Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!  
sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:  
*Yours the glory...***

**So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:  
*Yours the glory...***

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

**JUBILEE LUNCH PARTY**, on Sunday June 5th from 12pm in St Peter's Square. Local residents, families, friends and well-behaved dogs welcome! Tables/chairs provided, but please bring your own food and drink. To book a table, email [st.peters.sq.jubilee-party@btconnect.com](mailto:st.peters.sq.jubilee-party@btconnect.com) stating how many people you are. SPRA will donate a bottle of Prosecco to the first 48 pre-booked tables of 4!

**ST PETER'S SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR**, Saturday 25th June, 12-4pm, St Peter's Square. Games, stalls, BBQ, raffle, bar, and lots more.

Advance notice for **ST PETER'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL** on Sunday 3rd July, with all All Age Communion at 10.30 am, followed by parish lunch together in the church garden, and the teddy bears picnic for children.

**PETROS SINGERS: A ROYAL OCCASION**, Saturday 25th June at 7:30pm, Holy Trinity Sloane Square, with music written for and performed at royal coronations, weddings and funerals, including Handel's *Zadok the Priest*, Britten's *Jubilate Deo*, and music by Purcell, Brahms, Elgar, Parry, and Rutter. The choir is joined by musicians who performed Handel's *Eternal Source of Light Divine* at the wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex – Elin Manahan Thomas (soprano), David Blackadder (trumpet) and Luke Bond (organ). Tickets £25 adult, £20 concession, £10 students/aged 21 and under, from <https://petrossingers.org> and on the door.

**DEANERY SYNOD FINANCE OFFICER** sought, to help coordinate Common Fund contributions in Hammersmith and Fulham deanery. Speak to Charles or contact the parish office for role description/indicative hours.

**LONDON CITY PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA** classical Gala concert, highlighting Ukrainian music and songs together with well known classical repertoire, original music by contemporary Ukrainian composers Alla Sirenko and contemporary Ukrainian war poets, together with poetry of Ukrainian classic Taras Shevchenko. In aid of humanitarian relief organised by UCA-UK. St John's Smith Square, Friday 17th June, 7.30 pm, tickets from <https://www.sjss.org.uk/events/ukrainian-cultural-association-uk>

Thanks to all who have booked tickets and/or offered to host for **THE SAFARI SUPPER** on June 8th. If you haven't managed to book yet, the event is currently full, but you can put your name down for the waiting list if anyone drops out (or gets covid!), by emailing Bridget Stevenson at [bridget@2fr.co.uk](mailto:bridget@2fr.co.uk)

**NEXT SUNDAY (5th June 2022)**

8 am

**HOLY COMMUNION**

10.30 am

**ALL AGE COMMUNION**

6.30 pm

**EVENING PRAYER**

(Psalm 33:1-12; Isaiah 11:1-9; Galatians 5:13-26)