



St Peter's Hammersmith

**12th March 2023
(Third Sunday of Lent)**

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10.30 am **HOLY COMMUNION**

Senior steward: Sarah Burrell
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Chalice: Bridget Stevenson
Reader: Leslie DuCane, Philip Stevens
Intercessions: Alice Keown
Crèche:
Children's club: Vanessa Townsend
Coffee: Laura Grimond, Jemma Daffarn
Flowers: N/A

+ 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.

We ask God for healing and forgiveness

**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.**

We sing together

**Kyrie eleison;
Christe eleison;
Kyrie eleison.**

The priest pronounces the Absolution, and prays the Collect

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.

The Liturgy of the Word

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 357 Father, hear the prayer we offer

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 4:5-26

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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

**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.**

*We sit or kneel for intercessions,
for which the following response may be used*

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.

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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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.**

*Those who wish to receive the wine as well as the wafer are asked to do so through intinction
(that is, dipping the wafer into the wine) rather than drinking directly from the chalice.*

As we receive, the choir sing the anthem ‘Like as the hart’ (Howells).

HYMN 73	My God, I love thee
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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

HYMN 433	O worship the King (omitting verses 4 & 5)
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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE between Anna Rebecca Watson Stewart and David Harry Bairstow, both single of this parish, to be married at Holy Trinity Church in Salcombe, Devon (second time of asking).

FUNERAL OF RICHARD DIXON, in church on Thursday 16th March, 11am; followed by refreshments at the Black Lion Pub.

MEN'S LUNCH gathers again this week (Tuesday 14th March) at the Black Lion Pub, on Black Lion Lane, at 12.30 pm. No need for advance booking. Do join us if you are able. Email Richard Millar (richardmillar@supanet.com) for more information.

MOTHER'S DAY ART FOR CHILDREN, Saturday 13th March. 10-11.30 am for children aged 3-7 (parents to stay); 12-1.30 pm aged 8+ (children can be dropped off). £5 per child; please book so we have an idea of numbers by emailing Lulu Crutchley at children@stpetersw6.org

EXPLORING CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER, Wednesday evenings, 8-9 pm, during Lent. Five online sessions, led by the bishops of London, exploring different forms of prayer, which we will watch and take part in together in church. This week (Wednesday 15th): *Centring Prayer*, introduced by the Bishop of Stepney.

LENT BOOK GROUP. *Failure: What Jesus said about sin, mistakes and messing stuff up* (The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2023), by Emma Ineson, the new Bishop of Kensington. **NO MEETING** this week; but we'll gather again on Thursday 23rd March, from 1-2 pm in the Cross Keys Pub, to discuss chapters three and four.

UPPER ROOM QUIZ NIGHT, Thursday March 16th, 7 pm, at Latymer Upper School. Tickets £25 per person, which includes a platter of cheese and paté per table and a drink. Tables will seat up to 10 people. Prizes for the winners, bonus prizes throughout the evening. Book via Eventbrite at <https://tinyurl.com/upper-room-quiz>

PETROS SINGERS CONCERT, Saturday 1st April, 7.30pm at St James's Piccadilly, with a performance of JS Bach Mass in B Minor, with a line up of world-class soloists and accompanied by *The Garter Ensemble*, an outstanding set of musicians playing on period instruments. Details and tickets at <https://petrossingers.org/events/bach-b-minor-mass/>

CONFIRMATION, at St Peter's on Sunday 23rd April. If there are adults looking to be confirmed, or formally received into the C of E, speak to the vicar.

SUNDAY 19th MARCH (Mothering Sunday)

8 am **HOLY COMMUNION**

9 am **FAMILY WORSHIP**

10.30 am **HOLY COMMUNION**

6.30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

(Psalm 19; Genesis 45:16-46:7; 2 Corinthians 9)

