



St Peter's
Hammersmith

20th August 2023
(Eleventh Sunday after Trinity)

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10.30 am

HOLY COMMUNION

Senior steward: Bridget Stevenson
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Readers: Hugo Gerrard, Rozze Barda
Intercessions: Richard Millar
Crèche:
Children's club:
Coffee: Fiona Hay, Helen Kelly, Jemma Daffarn
Flowers: Ruth Hawkins

+ 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

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The priest pronounces the Absolution

**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, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

Isaiah 56.1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant— these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 15.10-28

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.'

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

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,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

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

We 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, 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.

*If you would like to make a donation to the church, collection plates (with gift aid envelopes)
and a card reader are available at the back of church at the end of the service*

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| <i>HYMN 461</i> <i>There's a wideness in God's mercy</i> |
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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.**

**Lamb of God,
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.**

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 should do so through intinction (that is, dipping the wafer into the wine) rather than drinking directly from the chalice

HYMN 464 Thou art the Way: by thee alone

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 427 O praise ye the Lord

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

Voluntaries

Before: Franck - Fantaisie in A major

After: Boëllmann - Introduction-Chorale & Menuet Gothique (from Suite Gothique, op. 25)

EVENING PRAYER tonight (August 20th) at 6.30 pm. (Officiant Alyson Sich; Reader Alex Johnston; Psalm 90; I Kings 3:5-15; Acts 28:16-31.)

Next Sunday (August 28th), the vicar will be on **ANNUAL LEAVE**. We are grateful to Simon Brooke, who will be leading a short service (with Communion by extension) at 8 am; and Revd Donald Easton, who will be presiding at the 10.30 am Communion service.

MEN'S WEDNESDAY, which alternates fortnightly with Men Lunching, is an informal gathering for lunch and banter, 12.30pm at the Cross Keys. The menu there is now mainly Thai with some British favourites like fish and chips. We meet again on Wednesday 23rd August, at 12.30 pm. Do join us.

Please be aware that as we are into the school holidays there will be **NO FAMILY WORSHIP** now until schools resume after summer. We'll start the new term with All Age Communion at 10.30 am on 3rd September; and Family Worship will start again the following week at 9 am on 10th September.

Do you think you might be able to lead **INTERCESSIONS** on an occasional basis at the 10.30 am service? We are fortunate to have a range of individuals who prepare and lead our prayers at St Peter's, but we are always looking for more! If you haven't done it before, there are plenty of resources you can use, and Charles (and others!) will be very happy to offer advice and support.

St Peter's Church are looking to appoint a **CHILDREN'S WORKER**. The previous position was a paid one, term-time only for 8 hours a week, to coordinate Family Worship, running children's arts & craft activities and occasional events, and help with confirmation groups. But there is plenty of scope for changing, splitting, or extending the role, or running completely new activities – a children's choir? holiday club? regular youth service? drama group? We have the flexibility to build one or more roles around the skills, time and interests of possible applicants, and willingness to support the work financially as necessary. So if you are interested, get in touch with the vicar Charles for an open conversation (charles.clapham@sky.com or 0797-909-3418).

The **LOUIS DOWDESWELL** Big Band are performing at the Earth Theatre Hackney on bank holiday Sunday (27th) August for one night only! Louis will be known to some at St Peter's as the talented trumpeter and partner of our former soprano Milly Forrest. Tickets from Dice.FM at <https://tinyurl.com/4np93k9b>

GIVING TO ST PETERS. To support St Peter's, you can use the yellow envelopes to make a cash donation, or give contactlessly as you leave. You can also make a one-off donation or set up a regular **DIRECT DEBIT** by scanning the QR code, or via the church website.



SUNDAY 27th AUGUST (Twelfth Sunday after Trinity)

8 am

COMMUNION by extension

NO Family Worship

10.30 am

HOLY COMMUNION