

St Peter's Hammersmith

# 28th January 2024 (4th Sunday of Epiphany)

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10. 30 am HOLY COMMUNION

Officiant: Revd Charles Clapham

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Chalice: Vicky Lawrence

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Intercessions: Paul Brett

Children's club:

Coffee: Jemma Daffarn, Libby Balch, Fiona Fox

Flowers: Alice Robinson

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

The Lord be with you and also with you.

We ask God for healing and forgiveness

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face to shine upon us: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on earth, your saving power among the nations: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice to the peoples: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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 Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Collect

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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

Revelation 12.1-5a

A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth. Then another portent appeared in heaven: a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born. And she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron. But her child was snatched away and taken to God and to his throne.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Mark 1.21-28

Jesus and the disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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, with the following responses

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

HYMN 47

As with gladness men of old

## **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 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 are asked to do so through intinction (that is, dipping the wafer into the wine) rather than drinking directly from the chalice. Please ask the priest if you require a gluten-free wafer.

As we receive, the choir sing 'Beati quorum via' (Stanford)

HYMN 324 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

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 391 King of glory, King of peace

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

**Voluntaries** 

Before: Dupré - Prelude in G minor (op. 7 no. 3) After: Dupré - Fugue in G minor (op. 7 no. 3) Having been granted a faculty, work has begun on installing our new **SCREEN AND PROJECTOR**, which we hope will add significantly to our worship, as well as be available for use at other events in the church. The rising screen will be installed on the top of the existing wooden reredos screen behind the altar, hidden (when not in use) in a slim wooden box stained to match the reredos; the projector will be at the back of the church, underneath the balcony. Do ask the vicar if you have any queries about the project.

**WOMEN LUNCHING** returns to The Elder Press Café Black Lion Lane for the next lunch on Thursday 8 February at 12.30. Looking forward to seeing all of you who can make it and if you have any queries, do please contact Ruth Hawkins on 07899747044.

**SUNDAY SUPPERS** at Rivercourt Church provides a meal each Sunday evening to homeless people. It has now been running for 10 weeks and is regularly feeding around 40 guests each Sunday. They have raised £7,823 so far and are shortly getting a £3k grant from H&F Council, so have enough money to keep going for at least another winter season after this one. They also have lots of volunteers – a very enthusiastic and energetic bunch of people! But they are still in need of good quality coats, jackets, hats, gloves, jumpers, scarves, socks and trainers/boots for their guests, plus small sized toiletries. You can leave suitable donations in church, or call Vicky Lawrence on 07939 083466.

The next of **THE UPPER ROOM WINTER LECTURES** will be on Thursday 22nd February, with world-renowned mezzo-soprano Dame Felicity Palmer; 8 pm at St Saviour's Wendell Park. Details and booking at theupperroom.org.uk/winter-lectures-2024/

We've been offered the possibility of a 20% discount for tickets for **A CHAT WITH ADONAI**, a short play at Riverside Studios next week (31st Jan, 2nd & 4th Feb), billed as a dark, strange and funny exploration of the human quest for answers to fundamental questions of life! More details and booking at https://riversidestudios.co.uk Quote the code 'Adonai20' at checkout to get the discount.

**SUNDAY 4th FEBRUARY** (Candlemas)

8 am HOLY COMMUNION

10.30 am ALL AGE COMMUNION

6.30 pm **EVENING PRAYER** 

(Psalm 65; Genesis 6:5-22; Luke 17:11-19)