

The United Benefice of
Warton and Borwick with Yealand

The Third Sunday of Epiphany



The Eucharist

(broadcast Sunday 24th January)

A very warm welcome to everyone who is joining us “virtually” online via our YouTube channel.

Presiding Minister: The Revd Robin Figg, Vicar

First reading: Jane Parsons (*recorded at home*)

Gospel reading: Pam Bentley (*recorded at home*)

Sermon: The Revd Peter Mann (*recorded at home*)

Intercessions: Angela Sewell (*recorded at home*)

This is a service of Holy Communion. The term ‘Spiritual Communion’ has been used historically to describe the means of grace by which a person, prevented for some reason from sharing in a celebration of the Eucharist, nonetheless shares in the communion of Jesus Christ. The Church of which we are members is not defined by the walls of a building, but by the Body of Christ to which we belong. In making our communion spiritually we are joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us, ‘I am the bread of life’.

Believing | **Living** | **Sharing**

The Gathering

The people are welcomed.

The Greeting

The presiding minister says

We meet in the name of the living God,
who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.

**All From the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister introduces the confession with these words

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus
Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.

Let us confess our sins.

cf Titus 2.11-14

Lord Jesus, illuminate the darkness in our hearts:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, open our eyes to your saving love:

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, unstop our ears to hear your living word:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The presiding minister pronounces the absolution

May almighty God have mercy upon us,
forgive us our sin and bring us to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria

The following is said

**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

The presiding minister introduces a period of silent prayer

Grateful for the glory revealed to us through God made flesh, let us pray.

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading using the following words

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations

and believed in throughout the world. *cf 1 Timothy 3.16*

All Alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

After the sermon we keep a short time of quiet.

We affirm our faith

Let us now declare our faith in God.

All 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 pray to God

The presiding minister introduces the prayers with these words

Let us worship the Saviour with joy
and make our prayer to our heavenly Father.

The prayers include the response

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

and end with:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

We share God's Peace

The presiding minister introduces the Peace with these or other suitable words

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace
there shall be no end.

cf Isaiah 9.6,7

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All and also with you.

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

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

Music during the preparation: Blessed Bread Margaret Rizza (1929) - Sung by St Martin's Voices

Prayer over the bread and wine

The presiding minister takes the bread and wine.

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people join in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

The presiding minister says

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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 presiding minister praises God for God's mighty acts and all respond

**All 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 presiding minister recalls the Last Supper and this acclamation is used

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

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

...for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God,
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 forever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The presiding minister breaks the consecrated bread.

As Christ breaks bread with us.

All he enfolds our story in his story.

Agnus Dei

The Agnus Dei is said

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sin,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

The presiding minister says the following invitation to communion

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all who are weary and whose load is heavy; I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble-hearted; and you will find rest for your souls'. *Matthew 11.28-29*

The presiding minister receives communion.

Those sharing the service from their homes are invited to give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with them now.

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.**

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day. Amen.

After the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Prayer after Communion

The presiding minister says the Post Communion prayer.

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
may your people,
illumined by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns,
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The following prayer is said

All **Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

Notices

Hymn Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows,
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him,
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847) Sung by St Martin's Voices

The presiding minister pronounces the blessing using the following words

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

Music after the service

Go forth Rutter (b.1945). Sung by St Oswald's Church Choir

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