

The Parish Church of St Oswald
Warton

Day of Pentecost



The Eucharist

(livestreamed 31st May 2020)

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: The Alpin family (*recorded at their home*)

Gospel reading: Annette MacKenzie (*recorded at her home*)

Intercessions: The Vereker family (*recorded at their 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’.

Music before the service

Your Kingdom Come

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Holy Spirit, living breath of God

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Sung by Gabriella Noble and Gavin Roberts of St Martin-in-the-Fields Choir

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

The Gathering

The people are welcomed.

The Greeting

The presiding minister says

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

All **Amen.**

The presiding minister greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you,

All **and also with you.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Introduction

The presiding minister introduces the service

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love.

We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross.

We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.

We have enjoyed his risen presence with us

and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread.

We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord.

And now, with the followers of his own time,

we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

As we wait in silence.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we listen to your word.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your renewing.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your equipping.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

As we long for your empowering.

All Make us ready for your coming Spirit.

Silence is kept

The Gloria

**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 presiding minister introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives
to bring Christ to the world.

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus 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 reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

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 time of quiet.

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The presiding minister introduces the prayers with these words

We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit.

The prayers include the response

Lord, come to bless us

All and fill us with your Spirit.

The prayers conclude

...in your mercy fill us with your Spirit.

**All hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you in Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The presiding minister introduces the Peace with these words

God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

Alleluia.

cf 2 Corinthians 1.22

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.

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*At this point in our services in church we would receive a collection, the offering of
our financial gifts in support of the mission & ministry of God's Church. Take a
moment now to reflect prayerfully on your giving.*

God of grace,

in our time of darkness

you bless us with gifts of light.

We bring our offerings to you -

our gifts at home, our gifts online -

and with them we offer our lives;

that they may be used to serve others,

and give you glory.

We make our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The presiding minister praises God for his gifts using the following words

Blessed be God,
who fills the hungry,
who raises the poor,
who fills our praise.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection

you have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

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

...for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
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 for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The presiding minister breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Agnus Dei is sung

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.**

The presiding minister says the following invitation to communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 post communion prayer is said.

Faithful God,

who fulfilled the promise of Easter

by sending us your Holy Spirit

and opening to every race and nation

the way of life eternal;

open our lips by your Spirit,

that every tongue may tell of your glory;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

Hymn I the Lord of sea and sky

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry;
all who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if You lead me;
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them –
they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone;
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them –
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied;
I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?

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The presiding minister goes to the Easter Candle.

The presiding minister says

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.
Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;
the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.
With the new wine of the Spirit
they proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
the way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life,
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Commission

The presiding minister says

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As people of God's Church I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit
will you dare to walk into God's future
trusting Him to be your guide?.

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other
and grow together in love?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common
and minister to each other in need?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to pray for each other
until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ
into the world's dark places?

All By the Spirit's power, we will.

The Easter Candle is extinguished in silence.

Conclusion

The presiding minister says

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and
we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

The presiding minister blesses the people, saying

May the Spirit,
who hovered over the waters when the world was created,
breathe into you the life he gives.

May the Spirit,
who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us,
make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

May the Spirit,
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost,
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The presiding minister says

Filled with the Spirit's power,
let us go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The ministers and people depart.

Music after the service

*Pentecost Montage with I will sing with the Spirit
sung by the St Oswald's Church Choir*

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