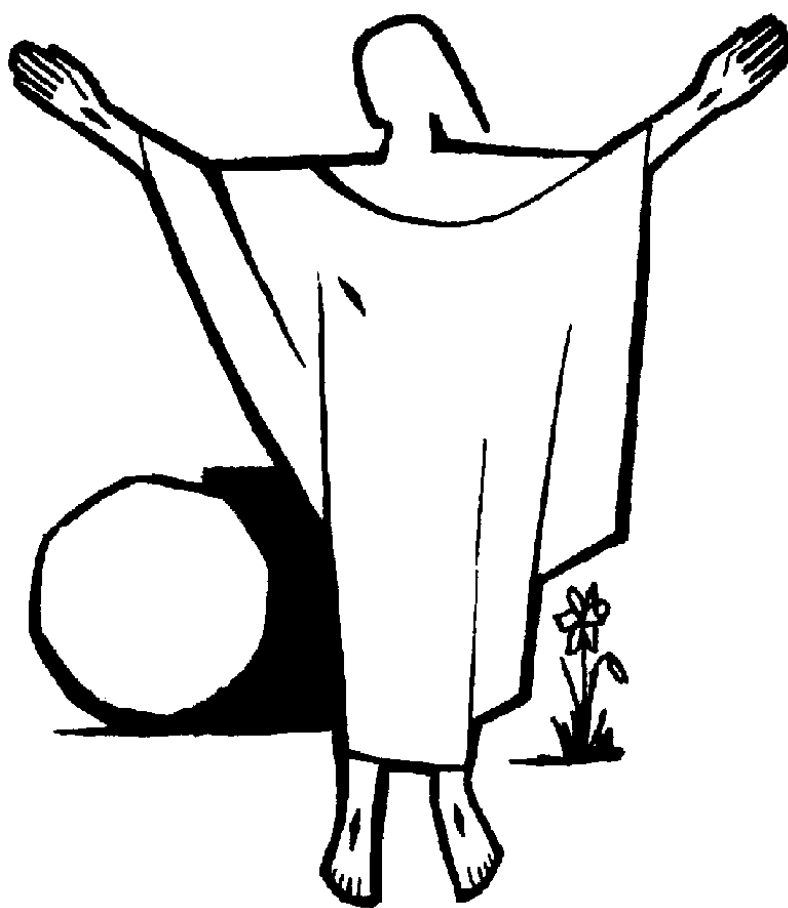


The United Benefice of
Warton and Borwick with Yealand

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



The Eucharist

(livestream on Sunday 2nd May)

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: Noeline Clark (*recorded at home*)

Gospel reading: Dave Scott (*recorded at home*)

Intercessions: Pam Bentley (*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’.

Music before the service

Love is his word, love is his way *Luke Connaughton (1917-1979)* Sung by St Martin’s Voices

O Jesus, I have promised *John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)* Sung by the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields

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

The Gathering

The people are greeted informally.

The Greeting

The presiding minister may say

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

All Amen.

The presiding minister continues

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

This acclamation follows

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister introduces the confession with these words

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us.

Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

1 Corinthians 5.7,8

For the times we have been tempted to go our own way, on a different vine.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

For the times we have sown seeds of division.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

For the times we have failed to bear the fruit of your love.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The presiding minister pronounces the absolution

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sin,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria

The following is to be 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

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

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.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All Alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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.

The Creed

**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

A minister introduces the prayers with these words

On this day that the Lord has made, let us give God the glory
and pray for the people God has redeemed.

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

The Peace

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

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you'.

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. *John 20.19, 20*

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Preparation of the Table

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

Music during the preparation: The Call (arr. Richard Lloyd) George Herbert (1593-1633) Sung by St Martin's Voices

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 following prayer is said

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

All Amen.

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 acclamations 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.

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
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 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.**

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

Silence is kept.

The presiding minister says the Post Communion prayer.

Eternal God,

whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:

grant us to walk in his way,

to rejoice in his truth,

and to share his risen life;

who 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 For the fruits of his creation

For the fruits of his creation,
Thanks be to God;
For his gifts to every nation,
Thanks be to God;
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
Silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
Thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
In the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done;
In our world-wide task of caring
For the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

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For the harvests of his Spirit,
Thanks be to God;
For the good we all inherit,
Thanks be to God;
For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all that love has found us,
Thanks be to God.

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Blessing and Dismissal

The presiding minister pronounces the blessing using the following words

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
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 the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

The ministers and people depart.

Music after the service

I am the way and the truth and the life –

*Fiji traditional (arr. Geoff Weaver) English translation Dieter Trautwein
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