

The Parish Church of St John
in the Yealands

John, Apostle and Evangelist



Patronal Festival Eucharist

Sunday 1st January 2023

Welcome to St John's Church and our worship today

We gather as God's people to celebrate together the Eucharist. The word Eucharist comes from the Greek for 'thanksgiving' and it is thanksgiving for all that God has done for us that lies at the heart of this celebration. We respond to God's love for us by singing God's praises, by asking for forgiveness, by listening to God's Word in the scriptures, by praying for the world and by taking bread and wine as Jesus told us to do in remembrance of him. Through the Word and the Sacrament the living God revealed in Jesus the Christ is present in a very real way to feed and sustain God's pilgrim people.

- If you are new to the church please make yourself known to the Vicar, or to one of the Welcomers or Churchwardens.
- If you have small children with you a room is available at the back of the church.
- The Church is fitted with an induction loop for the hard of hearing. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' position.
- During the service please use whichever posture is most appropriate and comfortable for you. For instance, please feel able to remain seated when others are standing.

Thank you for your financial support of God's Church here at St John's. If you wish to make a donation at this service, the collection is received during the offertory hymn. If you give online small cards are available to place in the collection basket to represent your giving.

If you wish to give online today please use the SumUp contactless card reader at the back of the church.

The Gathering

The people are greeted informally.

Hymn Hark! the herald angels sing

Hark! the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.

Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'

Hark! the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King.

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King.

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail, the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that man no more may die,
born to raise the sons of earth,
born to give them second birth.

Hark! the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King.

Charles Wesley

The presiding minister may say

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

All Amen.

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

All and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister introduces the confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sin, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept

Lord Jesus, you are the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you came not to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the Saviour of the world.

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.

Carol Joy to the world

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

2 Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns!
let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3 He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Isaac Watts

The Collect

The presiding minister introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

Merciful Lord,
cast your bright beams of light upon the Church:
that, being enlightened by the teaching of your blessed apostle and
evangelist Saint John,
we may so walk in the light of your truth
that we may at last attain to the light of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ your incarnate Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Readings

Exodus 33.7-11a; 1 John 1

At the end of each the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Carol Of the Father's heart begotten

1 Of the Father's heart begotten
ere the world from chaos rose,
he is Alpha: from that Fountain,
all that is and hath been flows;
he is Omega, of all things
yet to come the mystic Close,
evermore and evermore.

2 By his word was all created;
he commanded and 'twas done;
earth and sky and boundless ocean,
universe of three in one,
all that sees the moon's soft radiance,
all that breathes beneath the sun,
evermore and evermore.

3 Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;
Angels and Archangels, sing!
wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,
let your joyous anthems ring,
every tongue his name confessing,
countless voices answering,
evermore and evermore.

Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, translated by Roby Furley Davis

John 21.19b-end

An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory.

cf John 1.14

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.

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

Rejoicing in the love and life of God made visible among us,
let us pray to Jesus, the only-begotten Son.

The prayers include the response

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

and end with:

...that in your Father's house
we may come to the place
you have prepared for us.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The presiding minister introduces the Peace

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you.
I do not give to you as the world gives.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Preparation of the Table

Carol Long ago, prophets knew

1 Long ago, prophets knew
Christ would come, born a Jew,
come to make all things new;
bear his people's burden,
freely love and pardon.

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
When he comes,
when he comes,
who will make him welcome?

2 God in time, God in man,
this is God's timeless plan:
he will come, as a man,
born himself of woman,
God divinely human. *[Refrain]*

3 Mary, hail! Though afraid,
she believed, she obeyed.
In her womb God is laid;
till the time expected
nurtured and protected. *[Refrain]*

4 Journey ends! Where afar
Bethlem shines, like a star,
stable door stands ajar.
Unborn Son of Mary,
Saviour, do not tarry!

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
Jesus comes!
Jesus comes!
We will make him welcome!

Fred Pratt Green

The following prayer over the gifts is said

Lord,
bless these gifts we present to you.
With John may we share in the hidden wisdom
of your eternal Word
which you reveal at this Eucharistic table.

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 acclamation follows

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.

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us,
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 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

God's holy gifts,
for God's holy people.

**All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

*All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion;
to receive the bread, please hold your hands out in front of you;
to receive the wine, please guide the chalice to your lips.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing then please come forward and carry this booklet
or keep your arms by your side so the minister knows.*

*Communion is offered in both kinds (bread and wine). Those who wish to receive
communion in one kind (bread only) are assured that the Eucharist contains the
full presence of Christ in both the bread and the wine.*

*During the administration of communion, anyone who does not wish to receive
communion is 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 Post Communion prayer is said.

Grant, O Lord, we pray,
that the Word made flesh
proclaimed by your apostle John
may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries,
ever abide and live within us:
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The following prayer is said

**All 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.**

The Diocesan Vision Prayer is said

**All Heavenly Father,
we embrace your call for us
to make disciples,
to be witnesses,
to grow leaders
and inspire children and young people.**



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**Give us eyes to see your vision,
ears to hear the prompting of your Spirit
and courage to follow in the footsteps of your Son,
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

Notices are given.

Carol O come, all ye faithful

1 O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him
born the King of Angels:
*O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!*

2 God of God,
Light of Light,
lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
very God,
begotten, not created: *[Refrain]*

3 See how the shepherds,
summoned to his cradle,
leaving their flocks, draw nigh, with lowly fear;
we too will thither
bend our joyful footsteps:

4 Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God
in the highest: *[Refrain]*

The presiding minister pronounces the blessing

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Grace from the eternal Father be with you;
grace from the Word made flesh be with you;
grace from the Spirit of truth be with you;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The presiding minister says

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

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

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