# Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 10.30am CHORAL EUCHARIST

#### Setting: *Missa brevis in Bb KV 275* Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart 1756-1791

#### Introit: Ave Maria *a*4

Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris, Jesus Christus. Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis, peccatoribus nunc et in ora mortis nostrae. Amen

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you amongst women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus Christ. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen

*We stand and sing together* **Hymn 119** *Christ triumphant, ever reigning* Tune: *Guiting Power* by John Barnard b.1948

#### Welcome and Introduction

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you: **and also with you.** 

#### **Prayer of Preparation**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Confession

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Make are a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## Please remain standing as the choir sing Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
We praise you. We bless you.
We worship you. We glorify you.
We give you thanks, we praise you for your
glory.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takes away the sin of the world, have
mercy upon us. You take away the sin of the
world, hear our prayer;
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.

## Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through 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

Please sit for the Old Testament and New Testament Readings

#### Isaiah 50:4-9

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens, wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church Thanks be to God.

We stand and sing together **Hymn 143** Christ, whose glory fills the skies Tune: Ratisbon, Melody from J.G. Werner's Choralbuch, Leipzig, 1815. Harmony W.H. Havergal 1793-1870

Remain standing for the Gospel.

The Choir sing: All repeat: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia



*Choir sings: I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of light.* 

## All sing: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Hear the holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ as it is written in the Gospel according to St Mark **Glory to you, O Lord** 

## Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit for the Sermon

## **The Nicene Creed**

We stand to affirm our faith.

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**

Lord, in your mercy	or	Lord, hear us.
hear our prayer.		Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## Please stand for The Peace

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we are all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you**.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

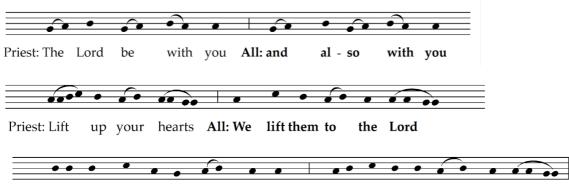
*We remain standing and sing together* **Hymn 90** *Praise to the holiest* Tune: *Chorus angelorum* by Arthur Somervell 1863-1937

## **Preparation of the Altar**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.** 

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.** 

#### **Eucharistic Prayer**



Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God All: It is right to give thanks and praise\_

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing;

## Please sit as the choir sing the Sanctus and Benedictus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus	Holy, holy, holy
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	Lord, God of power and might.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.	Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.
Benedictus qui venit	Blessed is he that cometh
in nomine Domini.	in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

# Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Peter and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen** 

As our Saviour has taught us, so we are bold to pray:

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.

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

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.

Jesus is 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.

## **Giving of Communion**

Please come forward to receive the bread and wine of the Eucharist as directed. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward with your hands by your side.

During the distribution the choir sing Agnus dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem. 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.

The choir sings *O sacrum convivium* by Olivier Messiaen 1908-1992

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

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.

#### Please stand

#### The Blessing

May the Father from whom every family in earth and heaven receives its name strengthen you with his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen** 

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

We stand and sing together our **Recessional Hymn 5** God is love, let heaven adore him Tune: *Abbot's Leigh* by Cyril V. Taylor 1907-1991

You are invited to enjoy coffee and refreshments at the back of the church.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September from 12.30pm-1pm: Lunchtime Concert Schubert *The Shepherd on the Rock* and music by Mozart and Handel Sue Adams, Soprano; Natalie Burton, Clarinet & Ian Davis, Piano. Admission free

> Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 4.30pm, Choral Evensong Music by Parry, David Beeby, Brewer and Bairstow

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