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17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

10:00 Parish Communion

**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Blended Worship



May Charity of the Month: **Christian Aid**



## The prayer for The Green Howards Regiment

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we give thanks for the service of The Green Howards Regiment  
which bore the symbol of your cross  
and whose sacrifice is commemorated in our Regimental Chapel.

Today, may your inspiration and protection  
be with The Royal Yorkshire Regiment,  
that it may protect the weak and vulnerable  
and serve the cause of liberty and truth.

We ask this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Prince of Peace and Saviour of all.

**All** Amen.



## Opening Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesu's Name

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1. All hail the power of Jesu's name;  
let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem  
to crown him Lord of all.
2. Crown him, ye morning stars of light,  
who fixed this floating ball;  
now hail the Strength of Israel's might,  
and crown him Lord of all.
3. Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call;  
praise him whose way of pain ye trod,  
and crown him Lord of all.



## Opening Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesu's Name

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4. Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
ye ransomed of the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all.
5. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
the wormwood and the gall,  
go spread your trophies at his feet,  
and crown him Lord of all.
6. Let every tribe and every tongue  
to him their hearts enthral,  
lift high the universal song  
and crown him Lord of all.

Edward Perronet (1726-1792) and others



## The Gathering

**All** The Lord be with you  
and also with you.

## The Greeting

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



## Prayer of Preparation

**All** 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.



## Prayers of Penitence

What God has prepared for those who love him,  
he has revealed to us through the Spirit;  
for the Spirit searches everything.

Therefore, let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord,  
who has prepared good things for those who love him.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

Lord, have mercy.

**All** **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:

Christ, have mercy.

**All** **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread:

Lord, have mercy.

**All** **Lord, have mercy.**



## Absolution

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

**All** Amen.



## Gloria in Excelsis

**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.**



## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**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

Let us pray.

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**All** Amen.



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Readings

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1:6-14 NRSV)

When the apostles had come together, they asked him, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ <sup>7</sup>He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Readings

<sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

This is the word of the Lord

**All** Thanks be to God



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Readings

A reading from the first letter of Peter (4:12-14, 5:6-11 NRSV)

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup>But rejoice in so far as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup>If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Readings

<sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord

**All** Thanks be to God



## Second Hymn: Holy forever and ever is God

1. **Holy forever and ever is God,  
over all creatures the sovereign Lord,  
who was, and is, and who is yet to come.  
*Alleluia!***
2. **Praise to our Maker and Mover we sing,  
glory and honour and blessing we bring;  
all our existence depends on the Lord.  
*Alleluia!***
3. **Worth are you who, by shedding your blood,  
brought from all nations a people for God.  
Folk of all races you call to be priests.  
*Alleluia!***



## Second Hymn: Holy forever and ever is God

4. **Worthy the Lamb who was sentenced and slain!  
Worthy the Lamb in his rising again!  
Worthy of power and wisdom and wealth,  
*alleluia!***
5. **Blessing and honour and glory and might  
be to the Lamb on the throne, as is right.  
Let earth and heaven unite to exclaim  
*alleluia! Amen.***

John L. Bell (b. 1949)  
and Graham Maule (b. 1958)  
based on Revelation 5, 7



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Gospel Reading

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (17:1-11)

**All**      **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Gospel Reading

<sup>6</sup>I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All Praise to you, O Christ**





Sermon

The Revd Canon Martin Fletcher

# 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.



# The Creed

**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.**



# The Creed

**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.**



**Intercessions**



## The Peace

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.

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

**All**



## Hymn at preparation: Rejoice, the Lord is King!

1. **Rejoice! The Lord is King,  
your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing,  
and triumph evermore:**

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

2. **Jesus the Saviour reigns,  
the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains,  
he took his seat above:**

*Lift up your heart, ...*



Hymn at preparation: Rejoice, the Lord is King!

3. His kingdom cannot fail;  
he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell  
are to our Jesus given:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

4. He sits at God's right hand  
till all his foes submit,  
and bow to his command,  
and fall beneath his feet:

*Lift up your heart, ...*



## Hymn at preparation: Rejoice, the Lord is King!

5. Rejoice in glorious hope;  
Jesus the judge shall come,  
and take his servants up  
to their eternal home:

*We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;  
the trump of God shall sound: rejoice!*

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)



## Preparation of the Table

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All** **All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

Lord of all and source of our joy,  
receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.  
Keep us in the love of Christ  
and bring us to the vision of his glory;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All** **Amen.**



# The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



For he is our great high priest  
who has entered once for all  
into the heavenly sanctuary,  
evermore to pour upon your Church  
the grace and comfort of your Holy Spirit.  
He is the one who has gone before us,  
who calls us to be united in prayer  
as were his disciples in the upper room  
while they awaited his promised gift,  
the life-giving Spirit of Pentecost.  
Therefore all creation yearns with eager longing  
as angels and archangels sing the endless hymn of praise:



**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;



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.



Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**All**

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**



Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.



Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**All** **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**



# The Lord's Prayer

Looking for the coming of his kingdom,  
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

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**All** Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

**All** Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

## Agnus Dei

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

Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.



## Giving of Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All** Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia.



## Communion Hymn: O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray

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1. O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray  
that all thy church might be for ever one,  
grant us at every Eucharist to say  
with longing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done':  
O may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.
2. For all thy church, O Lord, we intercede;  
make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;  
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,  
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace:  
thus may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.



# Communion Hymn: O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray

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3. We pray thee too for wanderers from thy fold;  
O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep,  
back to the faith which saints believed of old,  
back to the church which still that faith doth keep:  
soon may we all one bread, one body be,  
through this blest sacrament of unity.
4. So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease,  
may we be one with all thy church above,  
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,  
one with thy saints in one unbounded love:  
more blessèd still, in peace and love to be  
one with the Trinity in Unity.

William Turton (1856-1938)



## Prayers after Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All** Amen.



## Prayers after Communion

**All** Faithful God,  
in baptism you have adopted us as your children,  
made us members of the body of Christ  
and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom:  
we thank you that in this Eucharist  
you renew your promises within us,  
empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve,  
and send us out as disciples of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.





Notices

## Final Hymn: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

1. **Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!**  
**Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:**  
*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name!*
2. **Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!**  
**power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:**  
*Yours the glory ...*



## Final Hymn: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

3. **Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,  
victim crucified!**  
**death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:**  
*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name!*
4. **Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!**  
**sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:**  
*Yours the glory ...*



## Final Hymn: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

5. So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:  
*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name!*

Michael Seward (b. 1932)



## Blessing

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All** Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

