

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
MOTHERING SUNDAY
EUCCHARIST



SUNDAY 10TH MARCH 2024

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Jesus, like a mother you gather your people to you;
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.

You weep over our sins and our pride,
tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgement.

You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds,
in sickness you nurse us, and with pure milk you feed us.

Jesus, by your dying we are born to new life;
by your anguish and labour we come forth in joy.

Jesus, our precious mother, in your mercy heal us;
in your love and tenderness remake us

that we, following your example,
may offer love and tenderness to all your children.
Amen

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 313 FOR MARY MOTHER OF OUR LORD

For Mary, Mother of the Lord
God's holy name be praised,
who first the Son of God adored,
as on her child she gazed.

Brave, holy Virgin, she believed,
though hard the task assigned,
and by Holy Ghost conceived
the Saviour of mankind

She gave her body for God's shrine,
her heart to piercing pain;
she knew the cost of love divine,
when Jesus Christ was slain.

Dear Mary, from your lowliness
and home in Galilee,
there comes a joy and holiness
to every family.

Hail, Mary, you are full of grace,
above all women blest;
and blest in your Son, whom your embrace
in birth and death confessed.

Grace, mercy and peace from God,
Father and Mother of us all, be with you
and also with you.

CONFESSION

Let us call to mind our sin, our failure to value the love of others
and our failure to love as Christ has loved us.

Your love gives us life from the moment of conception,
we fail to live as your children.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You call us to do good,
we seek our own good.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

You hear us when we cry for help,
we ignore the cries of others.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

THE COLLECT

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

READING: FROM I Samuel 2

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Hannah prayed and said,
'My heart is full of joy in the Lord;
and God strengthens me.

There is no Holy One like the Lord,
there is no Rock like our God.

The weapons of the mighty are broken,
but the weak are given strength.

Those who were full, work for their bread,
but those who were hungry, are fat with spoil.

The childless has borne seven children,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

The Lord makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low, he also lifts up.

He raises up the poor from the dust;
and sits them with princes in honour.

For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
and he will guard his faithful ones,

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: 638 GIVE ME JOY IN MY HEART

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Give me joy in my heart, I pray,
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Keep me praising till the break of day.

Refrain:

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King.*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Give me peace in my heart, I pray,

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
Keep me resting till the break of day.

Refrain

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart, I pray;
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving till the break of day.

Refrain

THE GOSPEL: FROM Luke I

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

Mary said,
'My soul glorifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
from now on all generations will call me blessed;

for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;

he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,

according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

ADDRESS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The response to the prayer is:

God of love

Hear our prayer

PEACE

As a mother comforts her child, says the Lord,
so I will comfort you.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN: 138 OUR FATHER GOD IN HEAVEN

Our Father God in heaven
on whom our world depends,
to you let praise be given
for families and friends;
for parents, sisters, brothers,
a home where love belongs,
but on this day for mothers
we bring our thankful songs.

What wealth of God's bestowing
for all the world to share!
what strength of heart outgoing
to children everywhere!
Our deepest joys and sorrows
a mother's path must trace,
and earth's unknown tomorrows
are held in her embrace.

How well we know the story
that tells of Jesus' birth,
the Lord of heaven's glory
become a child of earth;
a helpless infant sleeping,
yet King of realms above,
to find in Mary's keeping
the warmth of human love.

Our Father God in heaven,
to you we lift our prayer,
that every child be given
such tenderness and care,
where life is all for others,
where love your love displays:

for God's good gift of mothers
let earth unite in praise!

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of mercy and compassion,
Your Word calls us home to faith and love.
accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,

but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.
**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**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 LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory for ever and for ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE 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.**

THE AGNUS DEI

**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,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

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.**

*All are welcome to the Lord's table: please do come forward to receive
Holy Communion or a blessing.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Almighty God,
We thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your dear 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**

NOTICES AND BANNS

LENT PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord God, mother and father of us all,
To you be praise and glory for ever.

As you led Moses to new life through the waters of the Nile,
**So he led your people to new life
through the waters of the Red Sea;**
Though one mother could not save him,
You sent many mothers to his aid.
May we, who have known love, together share that love

May we, who have received life, together offer life to others
Through Christ our Lord who gives us life in abundance

Blessed be God Father, son and Holy Spirit
Blessed be God forever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 394 TELL OUT MY SOUL

During which daffodils will be distributed

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

BLESSING

The Lord be with you

And also with you

May God, who gave birth to all creation, bless us:

may God, who became incarnate by an earthly mother, bless us:

may God, who broods as a mother over her children, bless us.

May almighty God bless us, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please join us for tea, coffee and a chat after the service



After the service today we are holding a



CAKE SALE

Today we give thanks for those who have mothered us throughout our lives and for our Mother the church. We thank God that we are able to offer a mother's love to others.

BUY, EAT, GIVE, SHARE

At our cake sale and extend a mother's love to the people of The Holy Land and Zimbabwe.

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