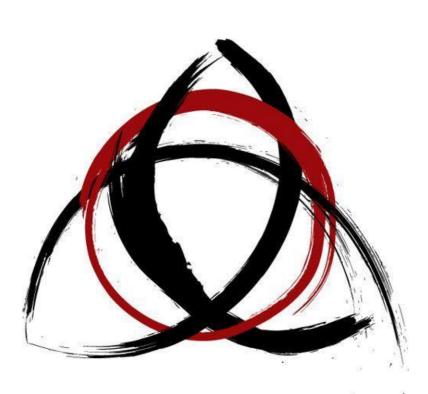
# CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT CLAPHAM



# Parish Eucharist Epiphany 3

#### THE GATHERING

#### HYMN 7871 TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine: it shall be no longer mine; take my heart: it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

#### THE GREETING

In the name of the Father, † and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

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

#### **PRAYERS OF PENITENCE**

Invitation to confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

#### ABSOLUTION

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** 

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

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. Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

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.

#### Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

# THE COLLECT

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

# FIRST READING | GENESIS | 4:17-20

After Abram's return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL READING JOHN 2:1-11

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

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was

there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

#### SERMON

# THE CREED

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.** 

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

#### THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

#### THE PEACE

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

#### HYMN 791 THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE (OMIT V3,6 & 8)

The God of Abraham praise who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love: Jehovah, great I AM, by earth and heaven confest; we bow and bless the sacred name for ever blest. The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command from earth we rise, and seek the joys at his right hand: we all on earth forsake its wisdom, fame, and power; and him our only portion make, our shield and tower.

The goodly land we see, with peace and plenty blest: a land of sacred liberty and endless rest; there milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound, and trees of life for ever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness, triumphant o'er the world of sin, the Prince of peace: on Sion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, and glorious with his saints in light for ever reigns.

Before the great Three-One they all exulting stand, and tell the wonders he hath done through all their land: the listening spheres attend, and swell the growing fame, and sing in songs which never end the wondrous name.

# Before the Saviour's face the ransomed nations bow,

o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace for ever new; he shows his prints of love they kindle to a flame, and sound through all the worlds above the slaughtered Lamb.

The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; 'hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,' they ever cry: hail, Abraham's God, and mine, (I join the heavenly lays) all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC 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.

The priest offers our praises to God and all respond

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 priest recalls the Last Supper

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

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond

#### Amen

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

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

#### **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.

# 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.

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Post Communion Prayer is said by the Priest.

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### NOTICES

#### FINAL HYMN HYMN 588 GAIN

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Saviour's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies! Who can explore his strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds enquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above so free, so infinite his grace emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

# THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

# BLESSING

The Lord be with you and also with you

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;

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

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY** 

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

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