

**WORTHING
CHRIST CHURCH**

Grafton Road BN11 1QY



ORDER OF SERVICE

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

25th October 2020

**10.30am Morning Prayer
with Derek Hansen**

and we welcome the family and friends of
our youngest church family member
who is to be baptised by
The Revd Helena Buque

*There is socially distanced prayer in the west porch
every Sunday at 10 am for 15 minutes before the
service and you are welcome to join at any time*

TODAY:

1st Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18

2nd Reading: Matthew 22: 34 - end

read by Pat B

Intercessions led by John B

*The Organ Voluntary following our service today is:
Fantasia for Cornet, anon, no. 346 in ms II 3326 mus.
Brussels*

**In order that we can stay open for worship,
please may we remind you that to protect us all:**

- your nose and mouth must be covered at all times whilst in the church.
- there is a one-way system within the church for your safety, please stay in your pew and refrain from wandering around the church
- entry is via the north door only
- exit via the west door; if you cannot walk down steps, please stay seated until the churchwardens assist you in leaving safely via the north door

Services in November

- 1st 10.30am Holy Communion (All Saints Day)
with The Revd Roger Walker**
- 8th 10.30am Morning Prayer
Remembrance Service
with The Revd George Butterworth and Derek
Hansen**
- 15th 10.30am Holy Communion
with The Revd Roger Walker**
- 22nd 10.30am Morning Prayer
with Derek Hansen**
- 29th 10.30am Holy Communion
with The Venerable Luke Irvine-Capel**

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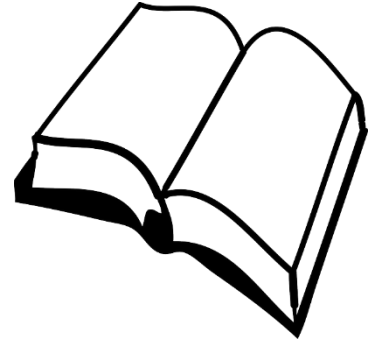
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Morning Prayer

Preparation

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

All **and also with you.**



O God, you summon the day to dawn,
you teach the morning to waken the earth.
For you the valleys shall sing for joy,
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
For you the monarchs of the earth shall bow,
the poor and persecuted shall shout for joy.
Your love and mercy shall last for ever,
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

All **Great is your name.
Great is your love.**

Opening Hymn [232] *sung by the choir only*

For all the saints, who from their labours rest;
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest:
Alleluia, alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west:
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest,
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.

Alleluia, alleluia!

But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array
the King of glory passes on his way.

Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds,
from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Alleluia, alleluia!

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The Family of God

We have come together as the family of God in our Father's presence, to offer him praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive his holy word, to bring before him the needs of the world, to ask his forgiveness of our sins, and to seek his grace, that through his Son Jesus Christ we may give ourselves to his service.

O Lord, open our lips.

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Praise the name of the Lord.

All: the Lord's Name be praised.

CONFESSION

The word of God is living and active.

It judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

All is open and laid bare before the eyes of him
to whom we give account.

We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Hebrews 4.12

**All God our Father,
long-suffering, full of grace and truth,
you create us from nothing and give us life.
You give your faithful people new life
in the water of baptism.
You do not turn your face from us,
nor cast us aside.
We confess that we have sinned
against you and our neighbour.
We have wounded your love**

**and marred your image in us.
Restore us for the sake of your Son,
and bring us to heavenly joy,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies
cleans us from our sins,
and restore us in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All* Amen.

The love of God has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

All **We dwell in him and he in us.**

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name,

All **make known his deeds among the peoples.**

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

All **and speak of all his marvellous works.**

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty,

All **who was and is and is to come.**

The First Reading *[Please sit]*

Leviticus 19: 1 – 2, 15 – 18

The LORD said to Moses, ‘Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: “Be holy because I, the LORD your God, am holy.

“Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favouritism to the great, but judge your neighbour fairly.

“Do not go about spreading slander among your people.

“Do not do anything that endangers your neighbour’s life. I am the LORD.

“Do not hate your brother in your heart. Rebuke your neighbour frankly so that you will not share in his guilt.

“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbour as yourself. I am the LORD.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Worship Songs *sung by choir and singers only*

Song 1

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God’s own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain. *Refrain*

When I stand in glory,
I will see his face.
And there I'll serve my King for ever,
in that Holy Place.

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Song 2

A new commandment
I give unto you:
that you love one another
as I have loved you,
that you love one another
as I have loved you.
By this shall all know
that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.
By this shall all know
that you are my disciples
if you have love one for another.

Unknown

The Second Reading *[Please sit]*

Matthew 22: 34 – 46

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: ‘Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?’

Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: “Love your neighbour as yourself.” All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.’

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ‘What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?’

‘The son of David,’ they replied.

He said to them, ‘How is it then that David, speaking by the Spirit, calls him “Lord”? For he says,

“The Lord said to my Lord:
‘Sit at my right hand
until I put your enemies
under your feet.’”

If then David calls him “Lord”, how can he be his son?’ No one could say a word in reply, and from that day on no one dared to ask him any more questions.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Sermon

[Please remain seated]

Silence is kept reflecting on what we have heard

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**



HYMN [494] *Sung by the choir only*

King of glory, King of peace
I will love thee;
and that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee;
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me:
and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
e'en eternity's too short
to extol thee.

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The Collect of the Day

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Prayers of Intercession

at the end, a short period of silence is kept, and then:

Merciful Father,

All Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: 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.**

*At the end of our prayers we pause for a moment and
reflect for whom we have prayed and offer each other
to God's care in the words of the Grace*

**All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

FINAL HYMN [430] *sung by the choir only*

Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go
my daily labour to pursue;
thee, only thee, resolved to know
in all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
in all my works thy presence find
and prove thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes my inmost substance see,
and labour on at thy command,
and offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day;

For thee delightfully employ
whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given;
and run my course with even joy,
and closely walk with thee to heaven.

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Conclusion

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Jesus now lead on.

BLESSING

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honour everyone;

love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in 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.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

All We will rejoice and be glad in it.

We will not offer to God

All Offerings that cost us nothing.

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

All We will seek peace and pursue it.

***We now join in the baptism with parents,
family and friends. Please turn around to
watch and follow from the booklet you have
in your pews.***

*Please remember this little one in your prayers as he
grows up, within our church family.*

Thank you for joining with us today!

*Our thanks to Derek Hansen for leading our service of
Morning Prayer*



All those whom we know that are struggling emotionally and spiritually at this time; all workers in the NHS who are currently working to save lives; the sick and the lonely, those recently bereaved and church family members and residents in local nursing & care homes

Please also remember in your prayers the newly elected members of the PCC:

Lord, we ask for your blessing on our Parochial Church Council. Help them to know your will in all they do, and the decisions they make for this parish and community. May they listen to you, to each other, and to the church family, to know your vision for this place and those they serve. Grant them wisdom, strength and courage to carry it out.

Amen.

Our Vision

The Mission of Christ Church is to live and show Christ's love to the parish and community we serve, to each other and to the town in which we live



The Christ Church Prayer:

God our Father, you have called your people down through the centuries to worship you in spirit and in truth and gave us an identity in the Parish of Worthing - Christ Church. We give you thanks for the faithfulness of those who founded our church and pray that we may continue to be loyal disciples, beacons of hope and light, that cannot be hidden, both now and in the years to come, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**