

Christ Church Worthing

ORDER OF SERVICE



15th May 2022

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.30am HOLY COMMUNION
with The Revd Maurice Slattery

Epistle: Acts 11: 1 – 18 read by Janine H
Gospel: John 13: 31 - 35 read by John B
Intercessions led by Val G

Evensong this evening at 6pm will be led
by The Revd George Butterworth

The Organ Voluntary after our Service today is:
Ricercar septimi e octavi toni no. 23
by Christian Erbach 1570–1635, Augsburg

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A Service of Holy Communion

The Greeting [*Stand*]

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Hymn [250]

Choir -Please note vs 5 & 6 are omitted from the hymn book

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening find a voice:

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire so masterful and bright
that givest us both warmth and light:

Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show:

Let all things their creator bless
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

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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 *[Sit or kneel]*

Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;
and you shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your mind,
and with all your soul, and with all your strength.

This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like, namely this:

You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and
the prophets. **All Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Invitation to confession

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son
Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our
advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our
neighbour in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

**who died for us, forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness
of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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. **All Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis [Stand]

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.
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

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

A prayer for Ukraine, Russia and peace

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to Ukraine, peace among nations, and peace in our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

The Liturgy of the Word

Epistle [Sit]



Acts 11: 1 – 18

The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticised him and said, ‘You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them.’

Peter began and explained everything to them precisely as it had happened:

‘I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles and birds of the air. Then I heard a voice telling me, “Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.”

‘I replied, “Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.”

‘The voice spoke from heaven a second time, “Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.” This happened three times, and then it was pulled up to heaven again.

‘Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, “Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.”

‘As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. Then I remembered what the Lord had said: “John baptised with water, but you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.” So if God gave them the same gift as he gave

us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could oppose God?’

When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, ‘So then, God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life.’

At the end the reader may say

Here ends the Epistle.

All Thanks be to God

WORSHIP SONG [***Stand to sing***]

As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after you.

You alone are my heart’s desire
and I long to worship you.

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
to you alone may my spirit yield.*

*You alone are my heart’s desire
and I long to worship you.*

I want you more than gold or silver,
only you can satisfy.

You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye. *Refrain*

You’re my friend and you are my brother,
even though you are a King.

I love you more than any other,
so much more than anything. *Refrain*

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Gospel Reading [John 13: 31 - 35]

[Remain standing]

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.



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

When he was gone, Jesus said, 'Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him,^[c] God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

'My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: where I am going, you cannot come.

'A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All sing **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon ***[Sit]***

A short period of silence is kept.

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Creed *[Stand]*

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 [Sit]

And at the end, after a short period of silence



Merciful Father,

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament [Please stand]

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

We acknowledge each other with a sign of peace

OFFERTORY HYMN [594] *[Please stand to sing]*

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill;
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.

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Preparation of the Table



Taking of the Bread and Wine

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.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please remain standing

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, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places to give you thanks
and praise, holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
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;

All sing **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.
*[Sit or Kneel]***

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 sing **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 sing **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. 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.



Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

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.



All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The words of invitation to communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.

Agnus Dei *is sung*

*Jesus, Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us*

*Jesus, bearer of our sins,
Have mercy on us*

*Jesus, redeemer of the world,
Give us your peace.*

All are welcome to come forward to receive the bread at the Communion rail.

If you would just like to receive a blessing, please carry your order of service with you to help the priest know your intention.

If you prefer to receive communion in your pew, the priest will come to you, please let the churchwarden know you wish to receive communion as he approaches down the aisle.

Post Communion Prayer *[Sit or Kneel]*

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen. *Silence is kept.*

All 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.

Final Hymn [455] *[Please stand to sing]*

Guide me O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.

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The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit rest within you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Our thanks to The Revd Maurice Slattery for leading our service of Holy Communion today

***Please stay for coffee and a chat after the service!
Seats are available in the organ vestry or at the front of the church whilst the work is being carried out in the west end!***

Contact us:

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The peoples and leaders of Ukraine, Belarus & Russia, the sick, the lonely, the recently bereaved and all in local nursing and care homes.



May God, in his mercy, answer our prayer, soften the hearts of aggressors, and strengthen those who give aid to the victims of conflict and who work for the recovery of peace and freedom.

The Churchwardens have suggested that if you feel so moved, that we all pray for peace in Ukraine each evening at 7pm in our own homes





Fund raising for Missions!

The mission we are supporting this week is
Christ Church Re-Ordering Fund.

Please do come along for a chat over a cuppa
Tuesday and Wednesday 10.30am – 12 noon
and Thursdays 2.30 to 4pm.

**Please note that all the money donated at coffee
during the week will be sent to the mission of the
week.**

70 Years!



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd Platinum Jubilee



There will be a celebration to mark our Queen's
amazing rule after the Morning service on
Sunday 5th June 2022 in church.

Bring your own packed lunch;
tea, coffee and celebration cakes will be served.

All are welcome!





Services in May



- 22nd 10.30am Morning Prayer
for Christian Aid week**
with The Revd Nancy Ford
- 26th 10.30am BCP Holy Communion - Ascension Day**
[with hymns] with The Revd Nancy Ford
- 29th 10.30am Holy Communion celebrating the
Ascension** with The Revd Yvonne Murphy

Christ Church Reordering:

You will probably have noticed that the reordering is nearing completion. If anyone hasn't seen the work that has taken place, please ask Jan or John Bull and they will gladly show you. The PCC will soon be deciding on tables, chairs and other additions to make this into a welcoming space. If anyone would like to make a contribution towards the cost of the additional improvements, please speak in confidence to the Treasurer, Ken Hobbs.

CHRIST CHURCH WORTHING

Services and Events...



Wednesday 1st June 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Yoko Ono Concert Pianist

Wednesday 22nd June 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Paul Gregory Classical guitarist/Cellist

Sea Sunday 10th July

Morning Prayer with Derek Hansen

Donations for Mission to Seafarers

Wednesday 27th July 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Richard Bowen Classical and Jazz Guitarist

Wednesday 24th August 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Pianist Ben Soloman

Christ Church Market-

Saturday 3rd September *more details to follow!*

Wednesday 21st September 12.30pm to 1.30pm

John Collins' Organ Recital as part of the celebrations
for Christ Church's 179th Anniversary

Wednesday 19th October 12.30pm to 1.30pm

A Barbershop Quartet

Sunday 4th December 10.30am

A service of Holy Communion with the start of the
Christmas Tree festival - **Let there be light!**

A Celebration and Thanksgiving for the life and work of Ralph V Waters – Churchwarden, and Organist at Christ Church for over 52 years is to be held at Christ Church on Saturday 2nd July 2022 at 11am. Please keep the date free!



We are to be joined by Ralph's family and friends. The service, led by Revd Nancy Ford will be followed by a buffet lunch and an official dedication of the newly created 'Hall Space' in the west end, a project that was initiated by Ralph and members of the PCC.

Janet has also asked that the many CDs that Ralph had be donated to the church for people to take and give a donation to Christ Church. They will be available on the day of his thanksgiving service.

CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK

We at Christchurch now have a working relationship with Worthing Foodbank. This is run by volunteers at The Redeemer Church and is affiliated to the Trussell Trust. It is one of more than 1,200 foodbanks, staffed by volunteers, and working with the Trust to tackle food poverty and hunger in local communities across the UK.

Worthing Foodbank is not a drop-in centre. All the recipients are referred by outside agencies - care professionals such as health visitors, staff at schools and social workers; they identify people in crisis, and issue them with a food bank voucher entitling them to receive a food bank parcel of three days' nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food from their local food bank. This support is seen as a stop gap to provide support until a long-term plan is established by care agencies.

If you are able, please would you donate **anything from the list below** so the volunteers can assemble identical packages Also please check everything is "in date".

Milk (Long Life), Fruit Juice (Long Life), Tinned Meat, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Fish, Tinned Soups, Cereal (small & Med) Pasta Sauce, Biscuits, Instant Mash, Tea Bags (40's & 80's)

We are now collecting toiletries for Foodbank clients also:

Deodorant, Shaving Foam, Toilet Rolls, Shampoo, Razor, Shower Gel, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Handwash

Washing up liquid, Feminine Hygiene

THANK YOU!

Donating for Ukraine:



*The UK Government has announced that it will match all donations made to the **DEC [Disasters Emergency Committee]** up to £25,000,000.*

Donations can also be gift aided.

You can do this online at

www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal

By Post: *Please make your donation payable to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal, PO Box 999, London EC3A 3AA.*

At your local Post Office: *Donations can also be made to DEC appeals at your local Post Office branch.*

DEC MEMBER CHARITIES:

**Action Against Hunger; ActionAid;
Age International; British Red Cross; CAFOD;
Christian Aid; CARE; Concern;
Oxfam; Plan;
International Rescue Committee;
Save; Tearfund; World Vision; Islamic Relief**



6 pm 1662 BCP Evensong – Service Order

Conducted by The Revd George Butterworth

Hymn 253 *For the beauty of the earth*

Confession etc. *(see booklet)*

Responses

Psalm 98 *(see pointed sheet)*

1st Reading: Daniel 6: 6 - 23 Reader: George B

Canticle – Magnificat *(see pointed sheet)*

2nd Reading: Mark 15.46 – 16.8 Reader: George B

Canticle – Nunc Dimittis *(see pointed sheet)*

Creed, Responses, Collects (see booklet)

Hymn 311 *Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour*

Prayers *led by John B*

Hymn 557 *Praise to the holiest in the height*

Sermon

Offertory Hymn 137 *Alleluia, alleluia*

Blessing

Organ Voluntary

Fuga 10 in D by Andrea Basili 1705-77, Loreto

***Our thanks to The Revd George Butterworth for leading
our service this evening***