



**St Peter  
Le Poer**



## **Parish Communion**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

**Christmas 1 – St John**

This is the service order for the said service of Holy Communion led by Revd Philip Sudell at 9am in the church building which will be available online at 11am on the St Peter's [YouTube channel here](#)

### **God rest you merry gentlemen**

let nothing you dismay,  
for Jesus Christ our Saviour  
was born on Christmas day;  
to save us all from Satan's power  
when we had gone astray:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy,  
comfort and joy,  
O tidings of comfort and joy.*

At Bethlehem in Judah  
the holy babe was born,  
and laid him in a manger,  
on this most happy morn;  
at which his mother Mary  
did neither fear nor scorn:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy,...*

From God our heavenly Father  
a holy angel came,  
the shepherds saw the glory  
and heard the voice proclaim,  
that Christ was born in Bethlehem  
and Jesus is his name:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy,...*

Fear not, then said the angel,  
let nothing cause you fright,  
to you is born a Saviour,  
in David's town tonight,  
to free all those who trust in him  
from Satan's power and might:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy,...*

Now to the Lord sing praises,  
all people in this place!  
with Christian love and fellowship  
each other now embrace;  
and let this Christmas festival  
all bitterness displace:  
*O tidings of comfort and joy,...*

## **Gathering and Greeting**

In the name of the Father, and of  
the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you**

## **Welcome**

### **Prayers of Penitence**

The angel said to Joseph: 'You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' Therefore let us seek the forgiveness of God through Jesus the Saviour of the world.

### **Confession**

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.

### **Assurance of forgiveness**

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has  
given us a kingdom that cannot be  
destroyed, forgive you your sins, open  
your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you  
to do God's will and give you the joy of  
his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen.

## Gloria

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

A moment of silence is kept. The minister says the opening prayer set for the day.

Merciful Lord, cast your bright beams of light upon the Church: that, being enlightened by the teaching of your blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John, we may so walk in the light of your truth that we may at last attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ your incarnate Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Old Testament Reading

Exodus 33.7-11a

Now Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, far off from the camp; he called it the tent of meeting. And everyone who sought the Lord would go out to the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. <sup>8</sup>Whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people would rise and stand, each of them, at the entrance of their tents and watch Moses until he had gone into the tent. <sup>9</sup>When Moses entered the tent, the pillar of cloud would descend and stand at the entrance of the tent, and the Lord would speak with Moses. <sup>10</sup>When all the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance of the tent, all the people would rise and bow down, all of them, at the entrance of their tents. <sup>11</sup>Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Then he would return to the camp; but his young assistant, Joshua son of Nun, would not leave the tent

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 117

Praise the Lord, O praise the Lord, all you nations

<sup>1</sup> O praise the Lord, all you nations; •  
praise him, all you peoples.

<sup>2</sup> For great is his steadfast love towards us, • and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever. Alleluia.

Praise the Lord, O praise the Lord, all you nations

# New Testament Reading

## 1 John 1

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—<sup>2</sup>this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—<sup>3</sup>we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. <sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; <sup>7</sup>but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup>If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

## John 21.19b-end

<sup>19</sup>(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.)  
After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

<sup>20</sup>Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, 'Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?' <sup>21</sup>When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, 'Lord, what about him?' <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, 'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!' <sup>23</sup>So the rumour spread in the community that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, 'If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?'

<sup>24</sup>This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true. <sup>25</sup>But there are also many other things that Jesus did; if every one of them were written down, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

## Sermon

### Profession of Faith

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

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

And at the end:

Merciful Father,

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

May the God of peace make you completely holy, ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

The bread and wine are brought to the Lord's Table

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who for love of our fallen race humbled himself, and was born of the Virgin Mary by the power of your Spirit, and lived as one of us. In this mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused his light to shine in our hearts, to give knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In him we see our God made visible and so are caught up in the love of the God we cannot see. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

**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.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and 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.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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.**

## **The Breaking of 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.**

We say 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.

## **The Giving of 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.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that the Word made flesh proclaimed by your apostle John may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries, ever abide and live within us; through Jesus Christ our Lord..

## **Blessing**

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen

## **Dismissal**

Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Ding dong! merrily on high**  
in heav'n the bells are ringing;  
Ding dong! verily the sky  
is riv'n with angel singing.  
*Gloria, hosanna in excelsis!*

E'en so here below, below,  
let steeple bells be swungen,  
And 'I-o, i-o, i-o!'  
by priest and people sungen.

Pray you, dutifully prime  
your matin chime, ye ringers!  
May you beautifully rime  
your evetime song, ye singers!

George R. Woodward,  
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Online at 12 noon

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87259454331?pwd=eEplJcEcwMGUrsmdscEpcv05aVWV0xQT09>

Meeting ID: 872 5945 4331

Password: 022223

## Services next Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan

We are in the building for the said service of Holy Communion at 9am (streamed later to YouTube at 11am)

## The readings

for next Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan – Christmas 2 - Epiphany

Isaiah 60.1-6

Psalms 72.[1-9]10-15

Ephesians 3.1-12

Matthew 2.1-12

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## Online resources



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

## Regular Giving

Many of you will have been unable to make your weekly offering in the plate during the service.

If you are able to make an offering directly online then this would be greatly appreciated.

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