

# **FOLLOWING JESUS** Sharing the journey

Communion Service: 17 March 2024 5th Sunday of Lent

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#### Notices

- Community Hub, Monday, 9:30-3
- Mulbarton PCC, Wednesday, 7:30pm
- Coffee & Prayer, Thursday, 9:15am
- Funeral of Patricia Lingwood, Friday, 1pm
- Vicar Day Off Saturday 23rd
- Next Sunday Hanover 10:30, Together 6 & 7pm
- Cathedral Chrism Monday 25<sup>th</sup>, 11am
- Pilgrim Walkers at HH Monday 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm

# Collect for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Gracious Father,

you gave up your Son

out of love for the world:

lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,

that we may know eternal peace

through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

#### Lord, the light of your love

Come, now is the time to worship, Come, now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are to worship, Come, just as you are Before your God. Come.

#### **Receiving God's Forgiveness**

- Eternal, Holy God,
- our God who reigns supreme,
- forgive us that,
- although your promises are steadfast and sure,
- we have so often broken
- our covenant promises to you;
- we have strayed and failed you
- and our neighbours;

#### **Receiving God's Forgiveness**

we have thought and said things we ought not to have done; we have sat by when we should have been active and involved. Forgive us, and let us renew our covenant promise to you, to live as your people to the best of our abilities. Amen.

#### **Receiving God's Forgiveness**

- Faithful God, as you forgave Jonah for his reluctance, so you forgive us.
- As you forgave the people of Nineveh when they turned from all that was wrong, so you forgive us.
- We receive that forgiveness now and pray that your continuing grace will strengthen, guide and surround us through every temptation and every challenge.

#### Amen.

#### Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NIV)

<sup>31</sup> "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD.

#### Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NIV)

<sup>33</sup> 'This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel

after that time,' declares the LORD.

'I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.I will be their God,

and they will be my people.

#### Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NIV)

<sup>34</sup> No longer will they teach their neighbour, or say to one another, "Know the LORD,"
because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,'
declares the LORD.
'For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.'

#### John 12:20-33 (NIV)

<sup>20</sup> Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival.<sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. 'Sir,' they said, 'we would like to see Jesus.' <sup>22</sup> Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. <sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Very truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.

### John 12:20-33 (NIV)

<sup>25</sup> Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me.

<sup>27</sup> 'Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour.
<sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name!'

### John 12:20-33 (NIV)

Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.' <sup>29</sup> The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

<sup>30</sup> Jesus said, 'This voice was for your benefit, not mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' <sup>33</sup> He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

#### I Watch The Sunrise

I watch the sunrise Lighting the sky Casting its shadows near And on this morning Bright though it be I feel those shadows Near me

But you are always close to me Following all my ways May I be always close to you Following all your ways, Lord

I watch the sunlight Shine through the clouds Warming the earth below And at the mid-day Life seems to say I feel your brightness Near me

But you are always close to me Following all my ways May I be always close to you Following all your ways, Lord I watch the sunset fading away Lighting the clouds with sleep And as the evening closes its eyes I feel your brightness near me But you are always close to me Following all my ways May I be always close to you Following all your ways, Lord

I watch the moonlight Guarding the night Waiting 'til morning comes The air is silent Earth is at rest Only your peace is near me But you are always close to me Following all my ways May I be always close to you Following all your ways, Lord

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#### **The Profession of Faith:**

We say together in faith

All: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and is, and is to come. We believe in God the Father, who created all things:

All: for by his will they were created and have their being.

We believe in God the Son, who was slain:

All: for with his blood, he purchased us for God, from every tribe and language, from every people and nation. We believe in God the Holy Spirit: All: the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

### Give Thanks To The Lord

Give thanks to the Lord, **Our God and King:** His love endures forever. For He is good, He is above all things. His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand And an outstretched arm His love endures forever. For the life that's been reborn. His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful, Forever God is strong. Forever God is with us, Forever.

From the rising to the setting sun, His love endures forever. By the grace of God, we will carry on. His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise

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#### **Sharing Journeys:**



# **Our Prayers**

From Heaven You Came From heaven You came helpless babe Entered our world Your glory veiled Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live This is our God the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King

There in the garden of tears My heavy load He chose to bear His heart with sorrow was torn Yet not My will but Yours He said This is our God the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering

Of worship to the Servant King

Come see His hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails surrendered

This is our God the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King
So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving

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## **Holy Communion**

The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.

## 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.



Father, we give you thanks and praise for your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. He is the image of the unseen God, the firstborn of all creation. He created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, thrones, dominions, sovereignties, powers, all things were created through him and for him.

Lord of all creation

All we worship and adore you.

He is the radiant light of your glory: he holds all creation together by his word of power.

- Lord of all creation
- All we worship and adore you.



He is first to be born from the dead.

All perfection is found in him,

and all things were reconciled through him and for him,

everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Lord of all creation

All we worship and adore you.

The Church is his body, he is its head. He takes his place in heaven at your right hand, where we worship you with all of your creation, singing:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full
of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord;

and as we obey his command,

send your Holy Spirit,



that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.



When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.



So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.



Jesus Christ is Lord:

# All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.



Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.



Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.



Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.



## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray: **Our Father in heaven** hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins** as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

# Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup. We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



# **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 Christ died for you,
- and feed on him in your hearts
- by faith with thanksgiving.

#### My Jesus, My Saviour

My Jesus, my Saviour Lord there is none like you All of my days, I want to praise The wonders of your mighty love My comfort, my shelter Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath, all that I am Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing Power and majesty, praise to the King Mountains bow down and the seas will roar At the sound of Your name I sing for joy at the work of your hands Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

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## Such Love

Such love, pure as the whitest snow Such love, weeps for the shame I know Such love, paying the debt I owe O Jesus, such love Such love, stilling my restlessness Such love, filling my emptiness Such love, showing me holiness O Jesus, such love Such love, springs from eternity Such love, streaming through history Such love, fountain of life to me O Jesus, such love

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## **Prayer After Communion**

#### 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.

# Song: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found He is my light, my strength, my song This Cornerstone, this solid ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease My Comforter, my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones He came to save 'Til on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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# **Closing Blessing**

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.