

St. John's Parish Church, Ben Rhydding

HOLY COMMUNION

18TH JULY 2021

(Eighth Sunday of Trinity)

On-Line Version * *Links are included for the sermon and songs below*

Feel free to use this in your own way.

However, if you would like to make a point of going through this material on Sunday at 10 am, then that would add to our sense of community and joint worship.

This morning we hope to do the whole service on Zoom@10 so please stay with us if you'd like to. Click the following link to join us from 9:45 onwards: [Sunday AM Zoom Meeting](#)

WELCOME [INTRODUCTION](#)

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

And also with you

OPENING PRAYER

**Loving Lord, fill us with your life-giving, joy-giving, peace-giving presence,
That we may praise you now with our lips and all the day long with our lives
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Song 1: [Come People of the Risen King](#)

Come, people of the risen King,
Who delight to bring Him praise.
Come, all and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth
We will lift our eyes to Him,

Where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun
And those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won,
And those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change,
And His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days
With the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land,
Men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands,
Find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing,
Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age;
'Our God is all in all'

CONFESSION

Brothers and sisters, our God is a forgiving and merciful Father.
Let us bring our lives before him so we can receive his love.

We have not always worshipped God, our creator. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

We have not always followed Christ, our Saviour. Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

We have not always trusted in the Spirit, our guide. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**

COLLECT

Generous God,

you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

FAITH SHARING

FIRST READING: Ephesians 2.11-22

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called ‘the uncircumcision’ by those who are called ‘the circumcision’—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Song 2: **As we are Gathered**

As We Are Gathered Jesus Is Here
One With Each Other, Jesus Is Here
Joined By The Spirit, Washed In The Blood
Part Of The Body, The Church Of God

As We Are Gathered Jesus Is Here
One With Each Other, Jesus Is Here

GOSPEL READING Mark 6: 30-34; 53-56

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

TALK

OUR FAITH

By his grace God calls us to be his children, brothers and sisters with Christ. Let us affirm our place in his family by declaring our belief in him.

**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

So, with faith in our hearts let us pray to our God...

THE PEACE

By his grace, may the peace and love of God unite us.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

Let us greet one another with the sign of peace.

Song 3: Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus,
vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fulness over me!
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of his love;
leading onward, leading homeward
to that glorious rest above.

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus –
spread his praise from shore to shore!
He who loves us, ever loves us,
changes never, nevermore:
he who died to save his loved ones
intercedes for them above;
he who called them his own people
watches over them in love.

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus,
love of every love the best;
vast the ocean of his blessing,
sweet the haven of his rest!
Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus –
for my Heaven of heavens is he;

this my everlasting glory –
Jesus' mighty love for me!

OUR OFFERING: COMMUNION

Holy God, through your goodness we have this bread and this wine to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made.

May they become for us our spiritual food and drink.

THE COMMUNION

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts,
we lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God,
it is right to give both thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God,
for as we remember your love,
as seen in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus,
you come close to us and we come close to you.
Therefore, with the whole realm of nature,
the angels of heaven, and all who are in your glory
we join in the song of your unending greatness.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is the risen Lord Jesus,
who walks with us the road of suffering and peace, sadness and joy,
and who is known to us in the breaking of bread.
For, on the night of his arrest, Jesus took bread and having blessed it
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying,
This is my body, given to you.
In the same way he took wine and having given thanks for it
he poured it out and gave the cup to his disciples, saying,
This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed with my blood.
Take this and share it.

I shall drink wine with you next in the coming Kingdom of God.

Hear us, O Christ, and breathe your spirit upon this bread and wine.
May they become for us your body, vibrant with your life,
healing, renewing and making us whole.

**In the same way, as we eat and drink these gifts,
breathe your Spirit upon us,
so that we may become more like Jesus, your body here on
earth. Amen.**

Let us pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in the words Jesus taught us

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.

This table of bread and wine is now made ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.

It is the table where we remember Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

It is the table where we receive his grace.

So come to this table, for it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The bread and wine are shared

DURING COMMUNION

SONG 4: **Medley by David based on How deep the love**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Everlasting Father,
you have shared yourself with us**

through our meeting together,
through the worship we have offered,
through the word we have heard
and through the bread and wine we have shared.
By your grace, may we go in the name of Jesus,
and the power of the Spirit,
to share all we have received
with the world around us. Amen.

Song 5: **To God Be the Glory**

To God be the glory, great things he hath done:
so loved he the world that he gave us his son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

[Refrain]

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to ev'ry believer the promise of God.
The vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *[Refrain]*

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *[Refrain]*

BLESSING

May God guide you on your way, and the blessing of the Father be upon you.

The blessing of the Father of life.

The blessing of Christ be upon you,

The blessing of the Christ of love.

The blessing of the Spirit be upon you,

The blessing of the Spirit of grace.

The blessing of the Trinity be upon you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Let us go into the world rejoicing.

It is Christ who goes before us. Alleluia. Amen.

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