

**The Church of England
in Central Windsor**

SUNG COMMUNION

Sunday 21st November 2021

Christ the King



**A warm welcome to Windsor Parish Church
for our service today**

Although government restrictions have been lifted, the safety of our congregation and visitors remains paramount and we will be proceeding with caution.

We ask that, whilst inside the church building, you continue to wear face masks covering both mouth and nose in order to protect others as well as yourself.

We will continue to arrange our churches such that 'social distancing' remains in place.

We continue to advise against physical contact with anyone outside your family or bubble.

Please respect the notices displayed in church.

Please stand for :

THE GREETING

The priest says

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

All **Amen.**

The priest greets the people

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Please sit for:

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANY NOTICES

Opening Hymn

Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!
the heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly,
the earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!

Let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!
the Church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but above all, the heart
must bear the longest part.
let all the world in every corner sing,
my God and King!

Please remain standing for the:

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

The kingdom is yours, but we turn away from your just rule:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The power is yours, but we trust in our own power and
strength: Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

The glory is yours, but we fall short of the glory of God:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The Kyrie Eleison is sung

ABSOLUTION

The priest says

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.**

THE GLORIA

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

The priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

All **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for:

FIRST READING

Daniel 7.9–10,13,14

⁷ ⁹As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgement,
and the books were opened. ¹³As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.

And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.

¹⁴To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Second READING

Revelation 1.4b–8

¹ ⁴Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Rejoice the Lord is King
your Lord and King adore
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore.

Refrain:

*Lift up your heart
lift up your voice
rejoice! again I say, rejoice.*

Jesus, the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love:
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above.

Refrain:

His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given.

Refrain:

He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
Refrain:

Rejoice in glorious hope
Jesus the Judge shall come
and take his servants up
to their eternal home:
*We soon shall hear the archangel's voice,
the trump of God shall sound:*

Please stand for:
GOSPEL READING

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Alleluia, Alleluia
You, Christ, are the King of Glory, the eternal Son of the Father
All **Alleluia**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to *N*
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 18.33–37

18 ³³Pilate asked Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

At the end the reader says
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit for:
SERMON

Please stand for:
THE APOSTLES CREED

All **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**

Please sit for:
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

These responses may be used

All **Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.**

All **Lord hear us
Lord Graciously hear us**

And at the end

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand for:

THE PEACE

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

You are invited to exchange a sign of peace with a bow or a wave or just a smile at your neighbour.

Please do not shake hands or make physical contact with those not in your own household.

Please leave your collection for the work, mission and outreach of the Church in the plate at the back of the church.

Please consider using the 'Gift Aid' envelopes if you are able to do so.

Thank you.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
Yours the glory...

Suffering servant, scorned, ill - treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
Yours the glory...

Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
Yours the glory...

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
Yours the glory...

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.
The priest takes the bread and wine.*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your
goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth
has given and human hands have made. It will become for us
the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your
goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine
and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of
salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

All Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

All Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our
Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks
because you anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son,
as priest and King.
Crowned with thorns, he offered his life upon the cross, that
he might draw all people into that kingdom
where he now reigns in glory.

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 **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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
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.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins
of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and
glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of St John the Baptist, St Stephen,
St Agnes and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
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

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 priest 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.**

AGNUS DEI

All **Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.
Jesus bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.
Jesus redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The priest says the invitation to 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 people receive communion in one kind.
You will be invited to go to the altar for communion.
If you are not confirmed, or
do not wish to receive communion, please
come and receive a blessing.*

*When receiving communion or a blessing it is usual to reply **Amen**
During the administration of communion the following will be sung*

**Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
come into the daylight's splendour,
there with joy thy praises render
unto him whose grace unbounded
hath this wondrous banquet founded;
high o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.**

**Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
light, who dost my soul enlighten;
joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;
fount, whence all my being floweth:
at thy feet I cry, my Maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessed food from heaven,
for our good, thy glory, given.**

**Jesus, Bread of life, I pray thee,
let me gladly here obey thee;
never to my hurt invited,
be thy love with love requited;
from this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
through the gifts thou here dost give me,
as thy guest in heaven receive me.**

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand.
ponder nothing earthly minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day
that the powers of hell may vanish,
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord most High!

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All
Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word, v
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have spoken your praise
be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life.
Amen.

Final Hymn

Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown,
when thou camest to earth for me;
but in Bethlehem's home was there found no room
for thy holy nativity.

Refrain:

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
there is room in my heart for thee.

Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,
proclaiming thy royal degree;
but of lowly birth didst thou come to earth,
and in great humility.

Refrain:

The foxes found rest, and the bird had it's nest
in the shade of the cedar tree;
but thy couch was the sod, O thou Son of God,
in the desert of Galilee.

Refrain:

Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
that should set thy people free;
but with mocking scorn and with crown of thorn,
they bore thee to Calvary.

Refrain:

When the heavens shall ring, and the angels sing,
at thy coming to victory,
let thy voice call me home, saying "Yet there is room,
there is room at my side for thee."

Refrain:

THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father†, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The priest says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

The ministers and people depart.

**Please stay for refreshments after the service which will be served
at the back of the church**

**You are welcome to take this service sheet away with you for private
reflection or to give to a friend.**

**If you would like to know more about the Christian faith, please ask!
You can also find out more by following the “Our Faith” link on the
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