



Ascension Sunday—Empowered to Serve

PLEASE NOTE as from 4th June the service time will be changing to 10am

A Welcome and Candle Lighting

We stand and sing

**Alleluia, Alleluia,
Give thanks to the risen Lord;
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Give praise to His name.**

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth,
He is the King of creation.**

Chorus

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen.**

Chorus

**We have been crucified with Christ;
Now we shall live for ever**

Chorus

**God has proclaimed the just reward
life for all men Alleluia.**

Chorus

**Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour:**

Chorus

The Preparation: *(remain standing)*

Grace and peace to you from God
God fill you with truth and joy
This is the day which the Lord has made
We will rejoice and be glad in it!

We Pray:

**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. So that we may
truly love you and worthily praise your holy name:
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen**

We kneel or are seated for

The Confession

Hear the teaching of Christ:

A new commandment I give to you, that you love
one another as I have loved you.

Spirit of God, search our hearts.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly
repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves
forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.
Silence

Let us confess our sins.

**Merciful God,
We have sinned in what we have
Thought and said,
In the wrong we have done, and in the good we
have not done. We have sinned in ignorance. We
have sinned in weakness, we have sinned through
our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We
repent and turn to you. Forgive us for our
Saviour Christ's sake and renew our lives to the
glory of your name.
Amen**

Through the cross of Christ, God, have mercy on
you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are
forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all
goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen**

Sentence:

Blessing and honour, glory and might, to the one
who is seated on the throne and to the lamb for ever
and ever.

Collect

**Holy Father, you have not left us alone but
promised your abiding protection in all we face.
Grant us such a knowledge of your presence, and
abiding care, that nothing can destroy our trust
in Jesus Christ and the strength of the Holy Spirit;
who with the Father and the Son, live and reign,
one God, now and forever. Amen**

We stand and sing

**Father I thank you, for all that you've done
You gave your Son freely for me
And I praise you for calling me,
Drawing me near
Out of blindness you caused me to see.**

**Spirit of life, you are God's holy fire.
You've kindled my heart with your blaze.
And I know you're refining me,
Changing my life.
And by faith you're revealing your ways.**

**Jesus, I need you as Lord of my life.
I give all I have unto you.
Lord, I want to come under your heavenly hand,
And to praise you in all that I do.**

A reading from Acts 1: starting at verse 1 –11

**A reading from Ephesians 1:
starting at verse 15-23**

Hear what the spirit is saying to the church

Thanks be to God

We stand and sing....Holy Spirit, come

**Make my ears to hear
Make my eyes to see
Make my mouth to speak
Make my heart to seek
and my hands to reach out
and touch the world
with Your love.**

We remain standing for

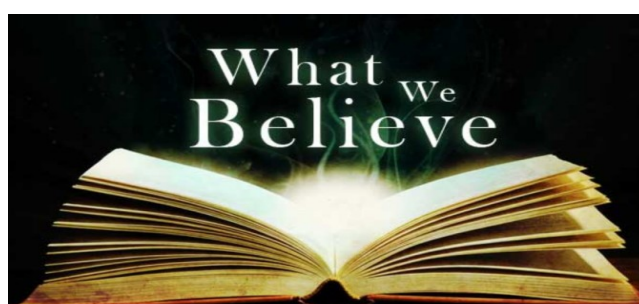
The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke
chapter 24: starting at verse 44—53

Praise and glory to God

....This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ, the Word

Reflection



The Affirmation of Faith

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.**

You are our God. We worship you.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world,
giving thanks for God's goodness.

The Prayers of the People

We sing the Lord's Prayer

**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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and for ever.
Amen**

The Peace

The peace of God be with you all.
In God's justice is our peace.

E Te whanau/Brothers and sisters.
Christ calls us to live in unity.
We seek to live in the Spirit of Christ.

We stand and sing the offertory song

**Jesus is Lord! creations voice proclaims it
for by his power, each tree and flower
was planned and made.
Jesus is Lord! the universe declares it
sun, moon and stars in heaven cry
Jesus is Lord!**

**Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
praise him with Hallelujahs
for Jesus is Lord!**

**Jesus is Lord! yet from his throne eternal
in flesh he came to die in pain
on Calvary's tree.
Jesus is Lord! from Him all life proceeding
yet gave his life a ransom
thus setting us free.**

**Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
praise him with Hallelujahs
for Jesus is Lord!**

**Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqueror
from death he rose and all his foes
shall own his name
Jesus is Lord! God sends his Holy Spirit
to show by works of power
that Jesus is Lord**

**Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
praise him with Hallelujahs
for Jesus is Lord!**

We remain standing for the **Offertory Prayer**

To you Lord, belongs the greatness, and the
power and the glory and the victory and the
majesty.
All that is in the heavens and the earth is yours,
And of your own we give you.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.
God's 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 offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed.....
Your great and glorious name saying

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

On the night before.....
..... Renewed for the service of your Kingdom
United in Christ with all who stand before you
in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God,
in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and
everywhere now and forever. Amen**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**We who are many are one body, for we all share
the one bread.**

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.

Communion

We sit and sing
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me
Spirit of the living God,
Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me
Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me**

**Spirit of the living God move among us all
Make us one in heart and mind,
Make us one in love
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing –
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!**

Prayer after communion
**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that
when we were still far off you met us in your Son
and brought us home. Dying and living, he
declared your love, gave us grace and opened the
gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live
his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to
others, we whom the Spirit lights give light to the
world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set
before us, so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name**

Blessing

We remain standing and sing..
**There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.**

**Thank you O my Father, for giving me your Son
And leaving your spirit till
your work on earth is done.**

**Jesus, My Redeemer, Name above all Names,
Precious Lamb of God Messiah,
Hope for sinners slain.**

**Thank you O my Father, For giving me your Son
And leaving your spirit till
your work on earth is done.**

**When I stand in Glory, I will see Your face
And there I'll serve my King forever,
In that Holy Place.**

**Thank you O my Father, for giving me your Son
And leaving your spirit till
your work on earth is done.**

The Dismissal: *we remain standing and sing*

**May God's blessing surround you each day
As you trust Him and walk in His way
May His presence within
guard and keep you from sin
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.**

*You are warmly invited to stay
to enjoy refreshments in the Hall*

Notices, Happenings

SUNG EVENSONG

Sunday, 28 May 2016 - THIS AFTERNOON

When was the last time you went to a Sung Evensong? **St Andrew's, Inglewood**, have just that today. 3pm Afternoon Tea (provided), then 4pm Service. As a gift to St Andrew's the Cathedral are bringing their choir out, so expect some good singing! All welcome. See Norma if transport required. St Andrew's would love to have a full church.

AAW OPTIONAL EXTRA

Tuesday, 30 May 2017, 10am

When there is a 5th Tuesday, the AAW have an outing, and on Tuesday, we are visiting Eunice Phipps' for morning tea and a garden visit. Parishioners very welcome to attend. More information from Elaine James (769 9904) or Norma Benton (758 6783)

NPCLN Rev Mick Duncan

Sunday 4th June at City West Church at 6.30, Mike comes out of "three worlds", come and hear him explain why.

ALL TOGETHER EQUIP TOUR

Thursday 8th June at City Life Church (24 Egmont Street) Come to be challenged and inspired by Dave Mann and Tony Collis. Further details on notice board.

TRINITY SUNDAY

Sunday, 11 June 2017, 10am

Prior notice - for the birthday of Holy Trinity Church, Archdeacon Trevor Harrison (our Priest-in-Charge) will be presiding. We might even have a birthday cake!!!

HOLY TRINITY – WOMEN'S DAY

Wednesday, 14 June 2017, 10am

Our annual Women's Day will be held next month, but in the meantime we would appreciate assistance from the women of our parish for food, ie buttered goods/cake. Please contact Elaine James or Norma Benton with your offer (phone numbers above) Further details of programme to come.

"THIS IS WHO WE ARE" Friday 16th, 7pm

a concert put on by Paul & Wynne Bowers-Mason at Brooklands Church. Entry by Koha to NP Foodbank. All Welcome. Supper to follow.

Word Vision Famine 17-18 June This year our young people will be joining in with the Cathedral Youth Group. We will have a sleepover in our church hall for 20 hours, without eating!!! This will conclude with the youth leading the All-age service 18th June ending with a simple meal. Please sponsor our youth to help support the Syrian Refugees. We will be needing your help with setting up so please contact Catherine Whaley.

Book of poetry by Ruth Hammond \$25.00. This is a fundraising venture for the Cathedral project. Contact June Moseley 7583583—0211339711

As the new Administrator for Vestry, Alison Rumball would appreciate if Vestry members and anyone who may use resources for Church activities would notify her personally if supplies are getting low. Contact details 7550390 (027) 140063 alisonrumball@gmail.com

Our Young People are looking at the theme of FOOD this term. Take time to look at the display in the entrance to our church. and...enjoy your morning tea today made and served by our young people.

NEXT WEEK 4TH JUNE - PENTECOST

PRESIDER: AND PREACHER: REV HELENE YOUNG

READINGS: ACTS 2: 1-21, 1 CORINTHIANS 12: 3B-13, JOHN 7: 37-39

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