Charlton Benefice Online Eucharist Second Sunday of Epiphany

We are welcomed to worship by Deborah

Opening Hymn - I come with joy, a child of God

The Preparation

President In the name of the Father,

and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Liz introduces the theme of the service

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

be with you

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All 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, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

All

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.

Absolution

President 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'. The Collect is said, and all respond: **Amen**

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading – read by Gina (1 Samuel 3 v 1 – 20)

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." ' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' Then the Lord said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.'

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, 'Samuel, my son.' He said, 'Here I am.' Eli said, 'What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.' So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, 'It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him.'

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord. 1 Samuel at the end of the reading ...

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading – read by Tim (Revelation 5 v 1 – 10)

A reading from the book of Revelation

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.'

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song:

'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

at the end of the reading ...

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn - Christ is the one who calls

Gospel Reading – read by Peter (John 1 v 43 – end)

Reader Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations

and believed in throughout the world.

All Alleluia.

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus

Christ according to John.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

At the end of the Gospel ...

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – by Bennett

After the sermon we keep a short period of silence

The Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

Liz - This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Intercessions – led by Ansai and Issi

President Let us pray for the church and for the world and let us be thankful for God's goodness

Prayers are offered for

- the Church of Christ
- Creation
- human society
- the Sovereign and those in authority
- the local community
- those who suffer
- and the communion of saints.

After each prayer

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy All hear our prayer.

(or)

Intercessor Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

After the final prayer

Intercessor Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

Liz If our life in Christ means anything, if

love can persuade at all

or the spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your conviction

and united in your love, With a common purpose and a common mind.

The peace of the Lord be always with

you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn - Will you come and follow me

Preparation of the Gifts

President Be present, be present, Lord Jesus

Christ,

our risen high priest; make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you and also with you.

President Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our

God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

President You are worthy of our thanks and

praise,

Lord God of truth,

for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, and all things have come into being. You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own. Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.

You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in heaven, evermore praising you and *saying*:

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.

President Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light, yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ

you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human

weakness.

All Amen. Lord, we believe.

President Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation: loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, we might rise and reign with him in glory.

All Amen. Lord, we believe.

President On the night he gave up himself for us all he 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 vou: do this in remembrance of me.

ΑII Amen. Lord, we believe.

President 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.

All Amen. Lord, we believe.

President Christ is the bread of life

All When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

President Look with favour on your people, and

in your mercy hear the cry of our

hearts.

Bless the earth, heal the sick,

let the oppressed go free, and fill your

Church with power from on high.

All Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

President Gather your people

from the ends of the earth to feast with Luke and Richard, Thomas

and all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in 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

President As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All

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.

Breaking of the Bread

President 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

ΑII

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.

Invitation to Communion

President 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.

All We do not presume to come to this

your table, merciful Lord,

trusting in our own righteousness,

but in your manifold and great

mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore,

gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in

him, and he in us.

Amen.

Communion Music - The Call

Prayer after Communion

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices - Given by Jim

Final Prayer

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 vou have set before us. so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing and Sending Out

President Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory, and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

> Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ΑII In the name of Christ, Amen.

Final hymn - Alleluia! sing to Jesus