

**ORDER OF SERVICE
ALL AGE EUCHARIST
First Sunday before Lent
FEBRUARY 14th 2021**

Today our theme is:
MOUNTAINS, VALLEYS AND DAZZLING LIGHT!

KAYIN AND PATRICIA WELCOME US TO WORSHIP AND WE HEAR ABOUT WHAT ALL AGE WORSHIP IS!

We sing our praises to God – Hymn God is Good

PREPARATION

Revd Liz welcomes us to the service and introduces the theme.

We Greet Each Other in the Lord's Name

In the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit
Amen

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

We Confess Our Sins – the bad things we do and the good things we fail to do – Revd Adelaide will lead the confession (with thanks to Diddy Disciples)

The Good News is God loves to give us a new start
Let's have a time of saying sorry to God now.

Sometimes we do things we wish we hadn't done
Sometimes it can feel like we've done it all wrong
We wish we could have a new start

Let's put our hands on our head (place hands on head).....

I wonder if there's anything we've thought this week
That we wish we hadn't thought.....

Let's put our hands by our mouths (place hands by mouth).....

I wonder if there's anything we've said this week
That we wish we hadn't said.....

Let's cross our hands on our chest (cross hands on chest).....

I wonder if there's anything we've done this week
That we wish we hadn't done.....

The good news is that God loves giving new starts

God can wash us not just outside.....
But inside too

Thank you, God

We receive God's forgiveness

May the God of love bring *us* back to himself,
forgive *us our* sins, and assure *us* of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We keep a Time of Silence and Pray the Special Prayer for Today

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Gloria

We Sing Our Praises to God –It's me, it's me, it's me O Lord

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

We Proclaim the Word of God – Deborah, Rebecca and Esther read today's gospel

The Transfiguration

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus,

'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.'

He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice,

‘This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!’

Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. *Mark 9 v 2–9*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Quiz about the gospel

We Respond to the Word of God

Kinga, Cyril, Ansai, Deborah, Joan and Michael share where they feel close to God

Revd Liz preaches

We Say What We Believe –

**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.**

We pray for the Church and The World – Mary, Kenya and Cheyanne pray on our behalf

ending with,

**God of mercy,
hear our prayer and make us one in heart and mind to serve you
with joy forever. Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

We Share The Peace

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.

We Sing Our Praises to God – Hymn O God beyond all praising

We Prepare The Table

We Pray The Eucharistic Prayer

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.

Question *Why is it right to give thanks and praise?*

Answer *Listen, and we will hear.*

Lord of all life, you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.

You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

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

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.
Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine

may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Question Why do we share this bread and wine?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'
So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Question How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.
And now with Luke and Richard, Thomas and all your saints
we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for
ever. **Amen.**

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

We break the bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
whoever eats of this bread will live for
ever.

All **Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
give us this bread always.**

Invitation to Communion

The church of God is not defined by the walls of a building but by the Body of Christ. By making our communion spiritually, we join with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us 'I am the bread of life'.

President God's Holy Gifts for God's holy
people
**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ
is Lord, to the glory of God the
Father. Amen**

The president receives communion.

**Communion Music — A Song of the Light by Simon Lole sung by St Martin's
Voices Phos Hilaros. As this plays, look out for photos of members of the
congregations and their families climbing mountains**

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTICES – Given by Jim

**Bennett, Jim and Sonia share how they keep faith even after they've come
down the mountain and find themselves in the valley**

VIDEO OF BENNETT, JIM AND SONIA

THE DISMISSAL

We go out with God's blessing

Christ Jesus, the splendour of the Father
and the image of his being, draw you to himself
that you may live in his light and share his glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen

We Sing Our Praises to God – Shine, Jesus, shine

We go out to join in with what God's doing