

**CHARLTON BENEFICE
ONLINE WORSHIP
SUNDAY 4th JULY 2021
ST THOMAS PATRONAL FESTIVAL
LIVESTREAMED FROM ST THOMAS**

THE GATHERING

Before the service - Piano Instrumental Worship Music / 56m 55 secs

Deborah welcomes people to worship

Introit Hymn - Amazing Grace

President In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The president greets the people

President The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

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

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.
Let us confess our sins in penitence

and faith, firmly resolved
to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

We confess our sins together

Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love,
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed,
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 lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
Amen.

Absolution

President May the God of love and power
 forgive you and free you from your sins,
 heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
 and raise you to new life in Christ our
 Lord.
 Amen.

The Gloria - from Mass of St Thomas, by David Thorne

The Collect

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

THE LITURGY
OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading – read by Deborah

A reading from Habakkuk

I will stand at my watch-post,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
Then the Lord answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.
Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

at the end of the reading ...

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading – read by Jim

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians

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.

at the end of the reading ...

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn - All for Jesus

Gospel Reading – read by Liz

Reader Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes
from the mouth of God.
Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

But Thomas (who was called the Twin),
one of the twelve, was not with them
when Jesus came. So the other disciples
told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he
said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the
nails in his hands, and put my finger in the
mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I
will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the
house, and Thomas was with them.
Although the doors were shut, Jesus came
and stood among them and said, 'Peace
be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put
your finger here and see my hands. Reach
out your hand and put it in my side. Do
not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered
him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to
him, 'Have you believed because you have
seen me? Blessed are those who have not
seen and yet have come to believe.'

at the end of the Gospel ...

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – Liz

After the sermon there is a period of quiet reflection.

The Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

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 of Intercession

President Let us pray for the Church and for the
world, and let us be thankful for God's
goodness.

SHEILA leads the intercessions

Please sit.

Prayers and thanksgivings are now made.
After each prayer is said:

Prayers are offered for

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

After each prayer ...

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

(or) Lord, hear us.
Lord, graciously hear us.

After the final prayer ...

Intercessor 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

The Peace

Introduction to the peace

The peace of the Lord be always with
you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn - O Jesus I have Promised

Preparation of the Table

President Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the
majesty; for everything in heaven
and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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.

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.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate.

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:

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:
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 Thomas, St Luke and St Richard, 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.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

President As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

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

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many,
we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei - from Mass of St Cedd by Peter Nardone

Invitation to Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
Jesus Christ is holy,

Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Prayer before Distribution

Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit even to eat
the crumbs from under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our
salvation, and share your bread with
sinners. So cleanse and feed us with the
precious body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of
Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom.
Amen.

Communion Hymns – Blessed bread – by Rizza / God be in my head – by Nicholson / Go
forth and tell – by Ogden

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept. The Post Communion prayer is said.

Notices, swearing in of Churchwardens and commitment of PCC members

Final Prayer

DEBORAH 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; through Christ our
Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING
AND SENDING OUT

Please stand.

President The Lord be with you
 and also with you.

Words of blessing followed by.....

and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
come down upon you
and remain with you always.
Amen.

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

Final Hymn: I the Lord of Sea and Sky

After the service: Toccata, by CM Widor

OUR WORSHIP IS OVER, OUR SERVICE BEGINS