

**CHARLTON BENEFICE  
ONLINE WORSHIP  
SUNDAY 16th January 2022  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY  
THE GATHERING**

**Jim welcomes people to worship**

**Introit Hymn - My God, How Wonderful Thou Art**

***The Preparation***

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

*All* **Amen.**

*The president introduces the celebration.*

*All* The Lord be with you  
**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

**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.**

*Confession*

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**

*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 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 Jim**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah  
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the Lord will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,  
and your land Married;  
for the Lord delights in you,  
and your land shall be married.  
For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,  
so shall your God rejoice over you.

*at the end of the reading ...*

## New Testament Reading – read by Arek

### A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

**Gradual Hymn** - Take my life, and let it be

### 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.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled

them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

## **Sermon – Revd Liz**

*After the sermon there is a period of quiet reflection.*

## **The Creed**

**Liz            We believe in one God, the Father,  
                 the Almighty, maker of heaven and  
                 earth, of all that is, seen and  
                 unseen. We believe in one Lord,  
                 Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
                 eternally begotten of the Father,  
                 God from God, Light from Light,  
                 true God from true God, begotten,  
                 not made, of one Being with the  
                 Father; through him all things were  
                 made.  
                 For us and for our salvation he  
                 came down from heaven,  
                 was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
                 and the Virgin Mary and was made  
                 man. For our sake he was crucified  
                 under Pontius Pilate;  
                 he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is  
seated at the right hand of the  
Father. He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life, who**

proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Intercessions

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

*This morning's Intercessions are led by Miriam*

*Please sit. 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

*President* 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** Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

### **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  
*All* **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, that 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 you; do this in remembrance of me.



*All*            **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

*All* Church with power from on high.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

*President* Gather your people  
from the ends of the earth to feast  
with Thomas, Luke and Richard,  
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*

*All* **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.**

*(or)*        **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.**

#### Invitation to Communion

*President*   Draw near with faith.  
                 Receive the body of our Lord Jesus  
                 Christ which he gave for you,  
                 and his blood which he shed for you.  
                 Eat and drink in remembrance that he  
                 died for you, and feed on him in your  
                 hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*All*        **Lord, I am not worthy to receive  
you, but only say the word,  
and I shall be healed.**

*(or)*  
*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.**

*(or)*  
*President*   God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

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

*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 Hymn - Be still and know that I am God

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept. The Post Communion  
or other suitable prayer is said.*

### **Notices – given by Liz**

### **Final Prayer**

*Jim*      **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.**

### ***Blessing and Sending Out***

*Please stand.*

*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.

*All*

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

Final Hymn: 212 I Cannot Tell