

CHARLTON BENEFICE EUCHARIST SUNDAY 29TH MAY

We are welcomed to worship by Jim

First Hymn

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

The Greeting

President The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**
President Alleluia. Christ is risen.
All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Prayers of Penitence

JIM Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins
with a sincere and true heart.

Silence is kept.

*Minister of
the Word* Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.
Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

*Minister of
the Word* Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.
Christ, have mercy.
All **Christ, have mercy.**

*Minister of
the Word* Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe.
Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

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.
All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

The Collect

President Let us pray that we may reign
with the risen Christ in glory.

The president leads the collect for the day **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading – read by Jim

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

At the end of the reading ...

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

New Testament Reading – read by Sarah

A reading from the Revelation to John

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

At the end of the reading ...

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Gospel Reading – read by Liz

Reader Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All **Alleluia.**

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

At the end of the Gospel ..

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON – Revd Liz

After the sermon, there is a short silence.

Affirmation of Faith

President Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures;
He was buried; he was raised to life on the third day in accordance
With the Scriptures; afterwards he appeared to his followers, and to all the
apostles: this we have received, and this we believe. Amen**

Intercessions – led by Angelique

President In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

Please sit. Prayers are offered

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.**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

President The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,
'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia.

All The peace of the risen Christ be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia.

President Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace, greeting one another with these words
Christ is risen.

Offertory Hymn

Preparation of the Table

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

President Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest; and make yourself known
in the breaking of bread.

All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord is here.

All **His Spirit is with us.**

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 It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy
Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things
from the beginning,
and formed us in your own image.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

President Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him
to be born
of a woman and to die upon the cross;
you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand
on high.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

President Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit,
and made us
a people for your own possession.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

President And now we give you thanks because in his
victory over the grave a new age has dawned, the
long reign of sin is ended,
a broken world is being renewed and humanity is
once again made whole.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever 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 Accept our praises, heavenly Father,

through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his
command, grant that by the power of your Holy
Spirit these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;
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.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

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 **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

President Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty Resurrection and glorious Ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and
this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord. 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.**

President Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of
thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love, and unite us in the body
of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

President Through him, and with him, and in him, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before
you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father
almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

President Rejoicing in God's new creation,
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

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.**

Agnus Dei

**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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover
is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion Hymn

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The president prays the post communion prayer and all reply Amen.

Notices – given by Liz

Final Prayer

JIM

We say together ...

All

**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

President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

President God, who through the Resurrection
of our Lord Jesus Christ
has given us the victory,
give you joy and peace in your faith;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

President Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Recessional Hymn