

**Charlton Benefice  
Online Worship  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**THE GATHERING**

**Deborah welcomes people to worship**

**Introit Hymn – 305: Lord of all hopefulness**

*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**

*Deborah* **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**

*Deborah* My sisters and brothers,  
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of  
Christ in word and sacrament,  
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

*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**

### **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 the Book of Genesis**

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.'

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

## **New Testament Reading – read by Kenya**

### **A reading from the letter to the Colossians**

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

**Gradual Hymn - 48: Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine**

### **Gospel Reading – read by Revd. Joe Lee**

*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 Luke  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered

her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

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

### **Sermon – Given by Revd. Joe Lee**

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

President: Now Gina is leading intercessions. Please make yourselves comfortable for them.

### **Prayers of Intercession – led by Gina**

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

*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

'Where two or three are gathered together in my name,' says the Lord,  
'there am I in the midst of them.'

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 - 25: Amazing grace! (how sweet the sound)**

## 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**

### **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.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept. The Post Communion prayer is said.*

Almighty God,  
you have taught us through your Son  
that love is the fulfilling of the law:  
grant that we may love you with our whole heart  
and our neighbours as ourselves;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

Communion hymn – 190: He Lord, he is Lord

### **Notices – given by Liz B**

### **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.**

May the Father from whom every family in  
earth and heaven receives its name strengthen  
you with his Spirit  
in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in  
your hearts by faith;  
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 - 266: Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**