

**CHARLTON BENEFICE  
ONLINE WORSHIP  
SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> July  
St Thomas Day  
THE GATHERING**

**Kayin welcomes people to worship**

**Introit Hymn – Alleluia Sing to Jesus**

*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**

*Kayin* **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**

*Kayin* 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**

*Adelaide* 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 Kayin**

#### **A reading from Habbakuk**

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 ...*

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

### **A reading from the 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 - Angel voices ever singing**

### **Gospel Reading – read by Bennett**

*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.'

*Reader* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Sermon – Revd Bennett**

*After the sermon there is a period of quiet reflection before we turn to the liturgy of baptism which includes the affirmation of faith*

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

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

*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** - . Let all the world

**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.**

*President* **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 - Seek ye first the kingdom of God

### **Notices – given by Liz B**

### **Final Prayer**

*Kayin*      **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: Thine be the glory.