

**CHARLTON BENEFICE  
ONLINE WORSHIP  
SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
3<sup>RD</sup> Sunday before Advent  
THE GATHERING**

**Deborah welcomes people to worship**

**Introit Hymn**

*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* 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.

*Deborah - 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**

*Joe*            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 Job

O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock for ever!  
For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;  
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,  
whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

New Testament lesson read by Jeffrey

## A reading from Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

## Gradual Hymn

### Gospel Reading – read by Joe

*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.**

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story

about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

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

### **Sermon – Revd Joe**

*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 Catherine is leading intercessions. Please make yourselves comfortable for them.

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

*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**

### **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.*

Communion hymn

Prayer after communion

#### **Notices – given by Jim**

#### **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.*

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