

CHARLTON BENEFICE EUCHARIST
St Luke's Day

THE GATHERING

Michael welcomes people to worship

Hymn: Lord, you give the great commission

The Preparation

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.

(or) Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
And also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said and the eucharistic theme set out.

Michael **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

Michael The saints were faithful unto death and
now dwell in the heavenly kingdom for
ever. As we celebrate their joy,
let us bring to the Lord our sins and
weaknesses, and ask for his mercy.

All: **Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
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.**

All **Amen.**

The Gloria

**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'.

Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician, whose praise
is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and
physician of the soul: by the grace of the

Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: read by Michael

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

‘Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.’

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading: read by Dannii

A reading from Paul’s second letter to Timothy

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also

the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: All for Jesus

Gospel Reading: read by Patricia

Reader Alleluia, alleluia.

I have called you friends, says the Lord,
for all that I have heard from my Father
I have made known to you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke

All Glory to you, O Lord.

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Archdeacon Alastair

Admission to Communion

Archdeacon Alastair:

My dear friends in Christ, today we come together in special joy as we see these young people join us as regular sharers in the most holy, sacred, and wonderful mysteries of communion. A warm welcome therefore to you all, especially if you have come to see these young people reach this stage in their journey of faith.

Archdeacon Alastair addresses the young people:

In baptism, you were made members of Christ's family. You come to us now as members of that family. Today you will share with us that meal which he commanded his friends to remember on the night before he died, and which he gives to us as a sign of his living presence among us.

Kenya, Flourish, Orchantae, Wesley, Zachary, Zakai, Reuben, Claris, Maiker, Ngadho, Teddy, Luke, Daniel, Mary, Christy, Jacob and Naomi

Jesus calls you by name, and invites you to his table. Do you wish to be admitted to Holy Communion, and share regularly in this sacred meal?

The young people reply: **I do**

Archdeacon Alastair addresses the congregation:

Will you welcome these children as communicant members of Christ's family, and support them with your friendship and prayers?

All: With the help of God, we will.

Archdeacon Alastair addresses the parents and carers:

Will you help these children to grow in faith and come to confirmation?

Parents and carers: **With the help of God, we will.**

Archdeacon Alastair prays for the children:

Lord Jesus Christ, you said that we should all become as little children.

We pray today for these children as they receive bread and wine for the first time in your name. Give them such a sense of the mystery of your body and blood that they may know your presence in their hearts and day by day grow to be more like you. **Amen.**

Archdeacon Alastair gives each child their certificate of admission to Holy Communion, addressing them by name:

In the name of God, I welcome you, N., to the sacrament of Holy Communion.

May God bless you as you continue with us on your journey of faith.

The Affirmation of Faith

Form C: Affirmation of Faith

Minister Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

Prayers of Intercession: led by Mary and Owen

Prayers and thanksgivings are now made.

After each prayer is said:

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

Please stand.

President May the God of peace sanctify you: may he
so strengthen your hearts in holiness
that you may be blameless before him
at the coming of our Lord Jesus

with his saints.

The peace of the Lord be always with
you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn: Hymn for St Luke's Day

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 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 And now we give you thanks that your
glory is revealed in *Luke* and in all the
saints. In their lives you have given us an
example of faithfulness to Christ. In their
holiness we find encouragement and hope.
In our communion with them we share the
unity of your kingdom. And so we gladly
thank you, with saints and angels, praising
you, and *singing*:

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.**

Minister We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread
and wine outpoured may be for us
the body and blood of your dear Son.
On the night before he died
he had supper with his friends and,
taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and
said:

 Take, eat; this is my body which is
 given for you; do this in
 remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup
of wine. Again he praised you,
gave it to them and said:

 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his
sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and
cup of salvation, we proclaim his death
and resurrection until he comes in glory.

All Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

President Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes, and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms, and bring us with *Luke* and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated 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.**

Invitation to Communion

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.**

Communion Hymn: We cannot measure how you heal

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept. The Post Communion prayer is said.

President Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost sent your
Holy Spirit to the disciples with the wind
from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness
to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Notices: Churchwarden

Final Prayer

Michael **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

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President God give you grace to follow his saints
in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
come down upon you
and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

President Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

Recessional Hymn: Let us build a house where love can dwell