

CHARLTON BENEFICE
ONLINE EUCHARIST for PENTECOST
SUNDAY MAY 19th 2024

AMABEL welcomes us to worship.

First hymn

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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

INTRODUCTION

Revd Bennett welcomes us and lays out the theme

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord
and we have walked with him through his journey of love.

We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross.

We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.

We have enjoyed his risen presence with us

and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread.

We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow
and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord.

And now, with the followers of his own time,

we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people,
through whom we make Christ known to the world.

Responsory

As we wait in silence,

All **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we listen to your word,

All **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we worship you in majesty,

All **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your refreshing,

All **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your renewing,

All **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your equipping,

All **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering,
All fill us with your Spirit.

Silence is kept.

CONFESSIO

AMABEL - The spirit of truth will convict the world of guilt about sin, righteousness and judgement. We have grieved the Holy Spirit. In sorrow we confess our sins.

Silence is kept

You raise the dead to life in the spirit
Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**
You bring pardon and peace to the broken
Christ have mercy **Christ have mercy**
You make one by your spirit the torn and divided:
Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

ABSOLUTION

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 Pentecost Reading – read by Amabel

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

The Gloria

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives
to bring Christ to the world.

Silence is kept.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

New Testament Reading – read by Dannii

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

This is the word of the lord

All Thanks be to God

Hymn

Gospel Reading – read by Isla

Reader Alleluia.

All **Alleluia.**

Reader There are varieties of gifts
but the same Spirit.

All **Alleluia.**

Reader There are varieties of service
but the same Lord.

All **Alleluia.**

Reader We are all brought into one body
by baptism in the one Spirit.

All **Alleluia.**

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon – Revd Bennett

The Creed

President We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
All **maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

President We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

All **God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,**

President begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

All **Through him all things were made.**

President For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

All **For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

President On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
All **he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his
kingdom will have no end.**

President We believe in the Holy Spirit,
All **the Lord, the giver of life,**

President who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

All **With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.**

President He has spoken through the prophets.

All **We believe in one holy, catholic
and apostolic Church.**

President We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

All **We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to
come. Amen.**

In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

Prayers of Intercession – led by Marie

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

God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory

Preparation of the Table

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

President Blessed be God,
who feeds the hungry,
who raises the poor,
who fills our praise.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

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 in many languages for Pentecost

The Lord's Prayer in English

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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.**

The Agnus Dei

Giving of Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communion hymn

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Notices

THE DISMISSAL

AMABEL - Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.

With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.

Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.

Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;

the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.

With the new wine of the Spirit
they proclaim your reign of love.

Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
the way of light is made known.

Source of freedom, giver of life,
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Commission

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us. As part of God's Church here in *Charlton*, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

All **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

All **We will.**

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

All **We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

All **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

All **We will.**

The Easter candle is extinguished in silence

Conclusion

The Lord is here.

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

Amen

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives.

All **Amen.**

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

All **Amen.**

May the Spirit,
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost,
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

Final hymn