

St Fagan's Church, Aberdare
Sunday 7th August 2022
The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

When the bell rings all stand to sing the entrance hymn

ENTRANCE HYMN

1. Give me joy in my heart,
Keep me praising,
Give me joy in my heart , I pray.
Give me joy in my heart,
Keep me praising,
Keep me praising till the end of day.

Chorus

*Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King!*

3. Give me love in my heart,
Keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart , I pray.
Give me love in my heart,
Keep me serving,
Keep me serving till the end of day.

Chorus

2. Give me peace in my heart,
Keep me resting,
Give me peace in my heart , I pray.
Give me peace in my heart,
Keep me resting,
Keep me resting till the end of day.

Chorus

4. Give me oil in my lamp,
Keep me burning,
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp,
Keep me burning,
Keep me burning till the end of day.

Chorus

THE GATHERING

Priest In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All **Amen.**

Priest Grace and peace be with you.
All **And keep you in the love of Christ. Amen.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All remain standing. The priest introduces the theme of the service and invites everyone to call to mind the wrong things we have done and said.

All **Heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and have failed to do what we ought to have done. We are sorry and truly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us in his way to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you and set you free from sin, strengthen you in goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All sing

GLORIA

Refrain Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.
Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

1. Lord God, heavenly King,
peace you bring to us;
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we sing our song of praise. *Refrain*

3. At the Father's right hand,
Lord, receive our prayer,
for you alone are the Holy One,
and you alone are the Lord. *Refrain*

2. Jesus, Saviour of all,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away our sins, O Lord,
have mercy on us all. *Refrain*

4. Glory, Father and Son,
glory, Holy Spirit,
to you we raise our hands up high,
we glorify your name. *Refrain*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern us in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All sit

FIRST READING: Genesis 15. 1-6

A reading from the book Genesis.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

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

All stand

GOSPEL ANTHEM

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.
Jesus is Lord of all the earth, he is the King of creation.
Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.**

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 12. 32-40

The Lord be with you: **and also with you.**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailling treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

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

All sit for the talk

All stand to say The Creed together

THE CREED

I believe and trust in God the Father, who created all that is. I believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed humankind. I believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God. I believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

All sit or kneel for the prayers. The following response may be used
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

THE PEACE

All stand. The priest introduces The Peace and then says:

The peace of the Lord be with you always: **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We greet each other with a socially distanced sign of the peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies.

Refrain:

*Lord of all, to you we raise
this, our hymn of grateful praise.*

2. For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light,

Refrain:

3. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild,

Refrain:

4. For each perfect gift of thine,
to the world so freely given,
graces human and divine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven.

Refrain:

5. For thy Church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love:

Refrain:

THE THANKSGIVING

The priest takes the bread and wine

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

All Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **All And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is always right, wherever we are, to thank you and to praise you, God our Father and King for ever, through Jesus Christ, your Son. Who ascended to his heavenly throne at your right hand and through whom you pour out the Holy Spirit upon your people: the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness and of the fear of the Lord. We celebrate the mission of your Church when in many languages the Holy Spirit found one voice to proclaim one faith. So here on earth, with the angels and archangels and with everyone in heaven we praise your name and sing:

All Holy, holy, holy, holy; holy, holy, Lord God Almighty; and we lift our hearts before you as a token of our love, Holy, holy, holy, holy.

Gracious Father, gracious Father, blessed is the one who comes to us in your name; and we lift our hearts before you as a token of our love, gracious Father, gracious Father.

We sit or kneel

Father in heaven, listen to the prayer we make in Jesus' name; through the Holy Spirit's power, gentle as a dove, may this bread and this wine be for us Jesus' body and blood. Father, we remember when Jesus had supper with his friends the night before he died, he took the bread; he thanked you, broke it, gave it to his friends and said: Take this and eat it – this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me. After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine; he thanked you, gave it to his friends and said: All of you drink from this cup, because this is my blood – the new promise of God's love. Do this every time you drink it to remember me.

Together we remember that Jesus is always with us and say:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come in glory.

Father, as we remember your Son, Jesus Christ, who died on the cross and rose again, we offer you these and all the gifts you freely give to us. Send your Holy Spirit to be with us and all who share this bread and drink from this cup. Help us to trust you, bring us closer together and welcome us, with all your people, into Jesus' glorious kingdom.

The priest sings: By him, with him, through him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours almighty Lord, Amen, Amen, Alleluia!

All sing: Amen, Amen, Alleluia! Amen, Amen, Alleluia! And we lift our hearts before you as a token of our love, Amen, Amen, Alleluia!

As our Saviour taught us, we boldly pray:

All Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, for we all share in one bread.

We sing:

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy; bearer of our sins, Lord Jesus, show us mercy; Jesus, Lamb of God you take away the sins of the whole world: give us peace, Lord, give us peace, Lord.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy 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.

We come forward as directed to the nave altar to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN

1. Breathe on me, breath of God:
fill me with life anew,
that I may love as you have loved
and do as you would do.

2. Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with yours
to do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, breath of God;
fulfil my heart's desire,
until this earthly part of me
glows with your heavenly fire.

4. Breathe on me, breath of God;
so shall I never die,
but live with you the perfect life
of your eternity.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After the notices, all stand

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:

All His love is everlasting

All Generous God, you have fed us at your heavenly table. Kindle us with the fire of your Spirit that when the Lord comes again we may shine as lights before him, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you:
All **And also with you.**

The priest gives a blessing.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ. Amen.

FINAL HYMN

Guide me, O thou great redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven, bread of heaven
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer;
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

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