The Cathedral Church of St Paul Dundee



Sung Eucharist

on the Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 13th February 2022 at 10.30 am

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral

A warm welcome to all who are joining this service, whether in person or online. If you are new here or a visitor, please introduce yourself to one of the welcomers or the clergy.

All are invited to stay for coffee/tea which will be served at the back of the cathedral after the service.

This service is livestreamed at www.facebook.com/stpaulsdundee and will be available to watch there afterwards. You are invited to join in the words printed in **bold type** in this order of service. Directions for standing, sitting. and kneeling are given, but please feel free to do what is most comfortable for you during the service.

All are invited to receive communion at this service. Welcomers will guide you when to go forward for communion or a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available; if you would prefer one, please speak to a welcomer.

Welcome stewards are on duty to help if you need any information.

- · Please switch phones to silent or off.
- · If you use a hearing aid, switch it to 'T' for direct access to the sound system.
- · Toilets and baby changing facilities are through the side door to the rear of the left-hand aisle.

Please check in with the QR code or sign in at the welcome desk. Under current health and safety auidance, the congregation is asked to wear a mask if possible, to give everyone the space they need, and to sanitise hands before receiving communion.



Other services at St Paul's Cathedral this week:

Thursday 17th February Midweek Eucharist 1.00 pm

8.30 am Morning Prayer - also live-streamed Monday-Thursday on the Cathedral's Facebook page

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THE GATHERING

Before the service begins, a minister gives brief notices.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

STAND

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Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.

In every insult, rift and war, where colour, scorn or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise. GREETING REMAIN STANDING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

God is love and we are God's children. There is no room for fear in love. We love because God loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

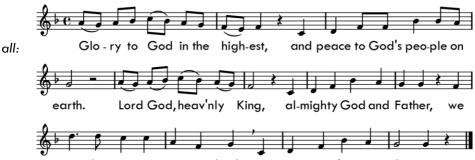
God, our Creator,
we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.
We are truly sorry.
Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GLORIA

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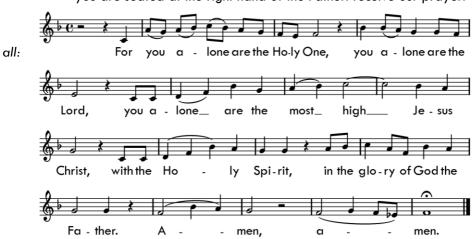
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

choir:

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.



COLLECT

Let us pray.

The congregation, still standing, remains for a short time in silent prayer.

Almighty God,

grant that with our minds set always on your wisdom and love, we may pursue both in word and deed

those things that are pleasing in your sight;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Amen.

FIRST READING - Jeremiah 17: 5-10

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it? I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

PSALM 1 REMAIN SEATED

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Happy is the one who does not take bad advice for a guide, nor walks on the path which sinners have trod, nor sits where the cynics mock.

Happy is the one who takes delight in the law of the Lord, and meditates on it both day and night, and prospers in every way.

Such a one as this is like a tree by the nourishing streams, which yields its fruit when the season is right and bears leaves that never fade.

Nor will sinners walk among the assembly of God's own folk; for wicked ways are doomed by the Lord who blesses the honest path. SIT

SECOND READING - 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

STAND

music: © 1991/93, Bernadette Farrell



choir: Rejoice, rejoice and be glad for the Word of God.

God's Word is with us and lives among us

within our world.

all: Alleluia...

GOSPEL READING - Luke 6: 17-26

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Jesus came down with the disciples and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you,

and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

all sing: Alleluia! Your words...

SERMON SIT

The Very Revd Dr Elizabeth Thomson, Rector & Provost

After the sermon there is a brief silence for reflection.

The congregation stands when the president stands.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

STAND

We believe in one God: the creator of all things, who loves the whole creation with a father's tenderness and a mother's strength.

We believe in one God:
our Liberator Jesus Christ,
the Word of God made flesh,
true God and truly human;
born among the poor he lived as bringer of God's kingdom;
a teacher and a healer,
a lover of life and a prophet of justice,
forgiver of sins and a friend of sinners,
who welcomed the outcasts and challenged the powerful,
whose death on the cross defeated sin and death,
who rose from the dead
and is alive forever in power and glory.

We believe in one God:
the Holy Spirit, the giver of life,
the Breath of life in all life,
the gift of God to the people of God,
Disturber and Comforter,
the fire and the dove,
who makes us one community in peace and love.

We believe in one God, a community of love, a trinity of holiness, the beginning and end of all life. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SIT or KNEEL

PEACE

Jesus said,
'Blessed are the peacemakers:
they shall be called the children of God.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

We meet in Christ's name. Let us share his peace.

We make a sign of Peace to those around us.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

OFFERTORY HYMN

text: © Carl P Daw (tune: Blaenwern)

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share the feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

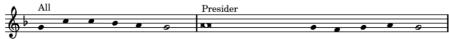
REMAIN STANDING

Gracious God,
you call us to your table
to celebrate this feast.
Receive all we offer this day
with our grateful thanks and praise.
Amen.

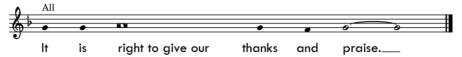
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts.



We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Worship and praise belong to you, O Lord, in every place and at all times.

All power is yours.

You created the heavens and established the earth; you sustain in being all that is.

In Christ your Son our life and yours are brought together in a wonderful exchange. He made his home among us that we might for ever dwell in you.

Through your Holy Spirit you call us to new birth in a creation restored by love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, we offer you our praise with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

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Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving God, for the gift of your Son born in human flesh. He is the Word existing beyond time, both source and final purpose, bringing to wholeness all that is made.

Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross. By your power you raised him from the dead. He broke the bonds of evil and set your people free to be his Body in the world.

On the night when he was given up to death, knowing that his hour had come, having loved his own, he loved them to the end.

At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: 'Take, eat.

This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: 'Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.'

We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful God, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by your Spirit's life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.



all:

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The living bread is broken for the life of the world. Lord, unite us in this sign.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's presence here among us, let us pray as our Saviour has taught us:

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.
Do not bring us to the time of trial
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.

INVITATION

This is Christ's table to which all are invited. Come, for all is now ready. Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI SIT OF KNEEL

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

COMMUNION

All are invited to receive.

Please come forward as guided by the stewards.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your hands clasped.

Under current guidance, Communion is in one kind.

Please sanitise your hands before receiving.

At the giving of the bread, we respond:

Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

text & music: Cesaro Gabarain; trans.: Robert Trupia; © OCP Publications

Refrain sung by all; verses sung by choir

Blessed are the ones I call the poor, all who hear my words this day; blessed are the ones I call the poor who dearly love me.

Blessed are the ones I call the poor: the kingdom is their own for sure.



Blessed are the ones who deeply mourn... God's comfort in their hearts is known.

Blessed are the ones who gently care... they'll have the whole wide world to share.

Blessed are the ones who thirst for right... their journey's end is filled with light.

Blessed are the ones who pardon all... they'll be forgiven when they call.

Blessed are the ones whose pure hearts shine... they'll see their lord and with him dine.

Blessed are the ones who work for peace... as God's own children they'll increase.

Blessed are the ones the world puts down... they'll have the kingdom for their own.

ANTHEM

text: Robert Bridges; music: Herbert Howells

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddës grace, no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above: 'tis named when God's name is said, 'tis Love, 'tis heavenly love.

And every gentle heart that burns with true desire, is lit from eyes that mirror that celestial fire.

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

SENTENCE STAND

Blessed be God:

Giver of the Bread of Life.

PRAYER

God of glory,
we give thanks
you nourish us with the Bread of Life.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your love
may shine in all the world.
In the name of Christ we pray.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

text: June Boyce-Tillman (tune: Londonderry Air)

We shall go out with hope of resurrection, we shall go out, from strength to strength go on, we shall go out and tell our stories boldly, tales of a love that will not let us go.

We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted, we'll dream our dream of hurts that can be healed, we'll weave a cloth of all the world united within the vision of a Christ who sets us free.

We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken, we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed, we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer, vibrating love alive in every heart.

We'll share our joy with those who are still weeping, chant hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief, we'll leap and dance the resurrection story including all within the circles of our love.

BLESSING

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God:
Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, this day and always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

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

Amen.

