**Bourne Valley Benefice**

**HOLY COMMUNION in Ordinary time** (Common Worship) *via Zoom*

*Sunday 12th September 2021 Trinity 15*

**The Congregation’s responses are printed in bold**

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

*As the Candle for renewing our hope is lit, we pray:*

**God our Father, renew our hope; by the Holy Spirit’s power, strengthen us to pray readily, serve joyfully and grow abundantly, rejoicing always in Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen**

Hymn

Teach me, my God and King, in all things thee to see;

and what I do in anything, to do it as for thee.

A man that looks on glass, on it may stay his eye;

or if he pleaseth, through it pass, and then the heaven espy.

All may of thee partake; nothing can be so mean,

which with this tincture, "for thy sake," will not grow bright and clean.

A servant with this clause makes drudgery divine:

who sweeps a room, as for thy laws, makes that and the action fine.

This is the famous stone that turneth all to gold;

for that which God doth touch and own cannot for less be told.

**Loving God, you hold all things in life and call us into your kingdom of peace;  
help us to walk the path of your truth and fill our lives with gratitude and faith, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen**

Prayers of Penitence My sisters and brothers, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins:

Come, let us return to the Lord, and say: **Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that have sinned, in thought, word and deed, against you and against our neighbour. 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 Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen**

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 **Almighty God, you search us and you know us: may we rely on you in strength, and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen**

First Reading ***James 3: 1 – 10***

*At the end the reader may say* This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Reading  ***Mark 8: 27 – 38***

*When the Gospel is announced all respond:* **Glory to you, O Lord**

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

The Sermon

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting, Amen**

Prayers of Intercession

*This response may be used*  Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

*and at the end*  Merciful God: **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen**

The Peace Christ is our peace; he has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name, and share his peace:

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

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here: **His Spirit is with us**

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**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son:

**You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us: **He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it, and gave it to them saying: Take eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me: **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:   
his body is the bread of life**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me: **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:   
his blood is shed for all**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son:  **As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord**

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven: **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord’s Prayer

**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**

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**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and now lives for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving:

**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**

*The president and people receive communion*

Prayer after Communion

**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**

Hymn

Be thou my guardian and my guide, and hear me when I call;

let not my slippery footsteps slide, and hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell around the path I tread;

O save me from the snares of hell, thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin, and outward things are strong,

do thou, O Lord, keep watch within, and save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray, and feel that I am frail;

that if the tempter cross my way, yet he may not prevail.

**THE DISMISSAL**

The Blessing: May God keep you in all your days; may Christ shield you in all your ways; may the Spirit bring you healing and peace, and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you, and with all those whom you love and those for whom you pray, this day and for evermore. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: **In the name of Christ, Amen**

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