

## St James's Church, Piccadilly

Sunday 18th October 2020 at  
11.00am

### Parish Eucharist for the Feast of St Luke the Evangelist, also the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

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#### ST JAMES'S CHURCH AND LIVE ON YOUTUBE

From 1045, instrumental music will be played for personal preparation and prayer.

At 11 o'clock the bell strikes.

#### THE WELCOMING OF THE PEOPLE

*Please stand*

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

*The priest welcomes the people and introduces the service. Please join in the spoken parts of the service in bold type. Please feel free to hum quietly as the cantor sings the hymns.*

**ALL: Eternal 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.**

#### PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

*The deacon introduces the prayer of reconciliation*

The saints were faithful and call us to be faithful also. Let us offer in penitence and faith all that is wrong and unjust, confessing our own part in making it so.

*Silence is kept.*

**Ever-loving God,  
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.**

#### THE ABSOLUTION

May the God of mercy and truth forgive you and set you free. May you know you are forgiven and be at peace.  
Amen.

#### THE GLORIA

*All say:*  
Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. As it was in the

**beginning is now and shall be for ever.  
Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **The Collect (Prayer for the Day)**

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 your Spirit, and through the healing power of the gospel, give your Church that same love and power to restore what is broken and make whole what is hurt. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please sit*

## **THE FIRST READING**

2 Timothy 4: 5-17

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.

Listen for what the Spirit is saying.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## **THE GOSPEL**

Luke 10: 1-9

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**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."

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

*Please sit*

### **CONVERSATION AND REFLECTION**

*Mary Lambert and Lucy Winkett*

On Wednesday of this week, we marked the 80th anniversary of the bombing of St James's Church, on 14th October 1940. On that night, the church building and rectory were badly damaged and St James's Verger, Charles Murray and his wife Edith were both killed.

Today we are honoured to have Mary Lambert with us, whose father Charles was Rector at the time, and who spent the next fourteen years rebuilding and restoring the church.

Mary will be in conversation with our present Rector, Lucy Winkett, after which a short reflection on the anniversary in the light of the gospel and St Luke's Day, will follow.

*Silence is kept for personal reflection.*

*Please stand*

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*(The Iona Community)*

**We believe in God, maker and sustainer of all life.**

**We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree. A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.**

**He descended into the earth to the place of death.**

**On the third day he rose from the tomb.**

**He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present, and his kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.**

*Please sit*

*The deacon says*

Let us pray for the world, for the church, for all in need, and for those who have asked for our prayers.

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*led by a member of the congregation*

*Please stand*

### **THE PEACE**

*The priest says*

May the God of peace sanctify you: may you be strengthened in holiness for the coming of Christ Jesus with all the saints

*The deacon says*

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

*Please share the peace without shaking hands. **Please remember to wear a face covering if you are moving among people.***

*During the hymn, the deacon prepares the altar for Communion.*

## **HYMN**

[Tune: St Anne; Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)  
alt.]

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of thy throne,  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
will bear us all away;  
we fade and vanish, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

## **PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE**

Blessed are you O God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this  
bread to set before you, which earth has  
given and human hands have made. It will  
become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever!**

Blessed are you O God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine  
to set before you, fruit of the vine and  
work of human hands. It will become for  
us the cup of our salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever!**

As the grain once scattered in the fields  
and the grapes once dispersed upon the  
hillside are now brought together on this  
table in bread and wine, so Lord may your  
whole church soon be gathered together  
from the corners of the earth into your  
kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever!**

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

*The priest leads the Church's Thanksgiving  
for Creation and Redemption in Christ ...*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

*The priest continues the Church's prayer of  
thanksgiving ...*

## **SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS**

**All say:**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**All say:**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The prayer of consecration continues*

*recalling Christ's command to his disciples at the Last Supper, ending with: "... as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me"*

*The deacon says*

**Great is the mystery of faith.**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer continues. At the end of the prayer, all say*

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept.*

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*You are invited to pray in your own first language.*

**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 Bread is broken as the priest says*

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.**

*The priest says:*

This is the table of Christ. It has been made ready for those who love God and those who want to love more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little. You who have been to this sacrament often and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Christ, and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who asks us to meet him here. *(adapted from Iona liturgy)*

*The priest says*

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.  
**All reply Amen.**

*If you would like to receive communion, please make your way to the two communion stations, one in the nave, the other in the gallery. Please sanitise your hands on the way. The consecrated wafer will be put into your hands with no words exchanged. If you would like to come for a blessing, please come forward and ask the minister for this, who will bless you without touch.*

**Please remember to wear a face covering as you move among people.**

#### **THE COMMUNION**

*During Communion the Lay Singers will sing:*

*Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes, and I shall keep it unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law, yea I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments, for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness. Behold, my delight is*

*in thy commandments. O quicken me in thy righteousness.*

Psalm 119 vv.33-36, 40

Music by Benjamin Rogers (1614-1698)

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Holy God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching  
and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of  
bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Notices are given by the priest.*

#### **FINAL HYMN**

*As the Cantor and Lay Singers sing the words, please follow along or hum if you would like to join in. In place of a collection, please make a text donation by texting **WREN20, WREN10 or WREN5 to 70085** to donate £20, £10 or £5 respectively.*

[Tune: Nun Danket, J. Crüger; Words: Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) trans. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)]

Now thank we all our God,  
with hearts and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things hath done,  
in whom this world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
hath blest us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us;

and keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
eternal now be given,  
to Spirit and to Word,  
who reign in highest heaven:  
our ever-faithful God,  
whom earth and heav'n adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

#### **THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*The priest gives the blessing*  
Christ give you grace to walk with Luke  
and all the saints in faith, and hope and  
love. And the blessing of God....

**Amen.**

*The deacon says*  
Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*In compliance with government direction known as 'the rule of six', we are not permitted to mingle in the courtyard or church after the service. All members of the congregation are invited to leave when the service is over. A small group of volunteers will be able to stay behind to clean.*

***Please remember to wear a face covering if you are moving among people outdoors.***

***Please don't forget to use the tap donation boxes inside the church and outside in the courtyard, or alternatively make an online donation [www.sjp.org.uk](http://www.sjp.org.uk)***