



St James's
PICCADILLY

Sanctuary Eucharist at St Pancras, Euston Road

Tuesday 29th April 2025
at 6.30pm

A chance to reflect, reconnect, re-charge



Sanctuary is a home for everyone, where you can belong and where we can be in community with each other.

If you are able to contribute to the running of this service, there are a couple of ways you can help. If you would like to be a reader or lead prayers during the service, please speak to Elijah.

If you are in a position to make a donation towards the costs of this service, please use the tap donation points at the back of the church or the QR code on page 14. We know that sometimes it's not possible to donate, and that's ok too. We deeply appreciate everyone's participation, support, and presence at Sanctuary.

Before the service, from 6pm, please keep silence until 6.25pm when all join in the Taizé chant ...

Ubi caritas et amor.

Ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

(Where there is charity and love, God is to be found.)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening responses *(led by a lay leader)*

For our openness to resurrection hope

Thanks be to God.

For the mystery of resurrection truth

Thanks be to God.

For the beauty of resurrection life

Thanks be to God.

For the promise of the resurrection's eternal liberation

Thanks be to God.

Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer *(by the presiding priest)*

Gracious God, give us time this night to make a prayer that will become the prayer of our soul. Help us to listen to the voices of longing in our hearts, and listen to our hungers. Help us give attention to the unexpected happenings at the edges of our life. Help us listen to our memory and to the inrush of our future, to the voices of those near us and those we have lost. Help us to know we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses and give us the eyes of faith to know that we are loved, and forgiven and free.

Prayers of Reconciliation *(led by lay leader)*

In meeting together and reflecting on our lives and society, we acknowledge in the presence of God, our choices and habits that bring injustice and pain to the world.

My friends, I confess before you and in the presence of God that the world is broken by the wrong I have done.

May God forgive you and give you peace.
Amen.

We confess before one another and in the presence of God, that the world is broken by the wrong we have done.

The priest says

May God forgive you and give you peace.
Amen.

Music for reflection

*Michael will play **Chanson de Matin** by Edward Elgar (1857-1934)*

Listening to the Wisdom of the World

***I look at the world** by Langston Hughes*

I look at the world
From awakening eyes in a black face—
And this is what I see:
This fenced-off narrow space
Assigned to me.

I look then at the silly walls
Through dark eyes in a dark face—
And this is what I know:
That all these walls oppression builds
Will have to go!

I look at my own body
With eyes no longer blind—
And I see that my own hands can make
The world that's in my mind.
Then let us hurry, comrades,
The road to find.

All join in singing the Taizé chant ...

Alleluia.

(sung four times in each repetition of the chant.)

The Gospel:

Mark 13.5-13

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you O Lord.

Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

"As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will

stand before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them. And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. When they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

Hear the gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection on Listening to the World and Listening to Scripture

given by a member of the St James's Sanctuary team.

Silence.

Music for reflection

*Martha will sing **Warum willst du and're fragen**
by Clara Schumann (1819-1896)*

Intercessions

Let us pray for the earth and her life, for people in trouble,
for our city, for ourselves.

After each line of prayer, please join the chant response ...

Through our lives and by our prayers, your kingdom come.

The Peace

Jesus says "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God."

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All share a sign of peace.

Chant at the Preparation of the Table

All sing the Taizé chant ...

Jubilate Deo! Alleluia.

(Rejoice in God!)

The Eucharistic Prayer

The priest sings ...

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.

God, we have been gathered by you, caught in your net,
summoned to your table.

As we open ourselves to your generous hospitality,
let your Spirit move among us
and be present in the food we share
so that this bread and wine

become for us the living presence of Jesus.
That so with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we may proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing ...

Sanctus and Benedictus

Singer
Holy.

All sing
Holy.

Singer
Holy.

All
Holy.
Holy Lord of power and might.

Singer
Heaven.

All
Heaven.

Singer
Earth.

All
Earth.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
(in canon) **Hosanna in the highest.**
Hosanna in the highest.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.

Is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.
Is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
(in canon) **Hosanna in the highest.**
Hosanna in the highest.

The priest continues

Blessed are you, O God,
and blessed are your messengers and prophets
who have proclaimed liberty to the captives
and good news to all who are poor.
Blessed is your son Jesus,
who came to make known your mysteries,
to seek out and save what is lost in this life,

and to heal and bring wholeness
by the forgiveness open to all,
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.
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.

Singer

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

All sing

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one
bread and one cup.

Remembering the eternal self-giving of Christ,
we proclaim the mystery of God's presence among us
in this bread and wine.

Made one with you eternal God,
we offer these gifts of your creation,
and with them, ourselves, as we are,
so that you can make us who we can be.
And now, all honour and glory be yours, eternal God,
through all ages and in all time, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Silence is kept.

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.**

The Communion

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.**

Music for reflection

*During Communion, Martha will sing **Ye Sacred Muses**
by William Byrd (1543-1623)*

Prayer After Communion

**God of resurrection power,
we thank you for gathering us where heaven and earth meet.
Grant us courage to walk together with Christ,
and to live out your unbounded vision of love
revealed in your presence with us.
Amen.**

*Final notices are given by the service leader ...
after which, please stand for the blessing.*

The Blessing

All say to one another ...

**May the road rise to meet you,
and the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face
and the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
may we know that we are held in the hollow of God's hand.
Amen.**

Final Hymn

[Tune: Down to the River to Pray, traditional spiritual]

*As I went down in the river to pray,
studying about that good old way,
and who shall wear the starry crown,
good Lord, show me the way!*

O brothers, let's go down,
let's go down, come on down.
Come on brothers, let's go down,
down in the river to pray.

*As I went down in the river to pray,
studying about that good old way,
and who shall wear the robe and crown,
good Lord, show me the way!*

O mothers let's go down,
let's go down, come on down.
Come on mothers let's go down,
down in the river to pray.

*As I went down in the river to pray,
studying about that good old way,
and who shall wear the starry crown,
good Lord, show me the way!*

O fathers let's go down,
let's go down, come on down.
Come on fathers let's go down,
down in the river to pray.

*As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the robe and crown
Good Lord, show me the way!*

Everyone is welcome to stay for drinks and food.

*The next Sanctuary Eucharist is on **Tuesday 6th May** at St Pancras Euston Road, starting with 30 minutes of reflection and prayer at 6pm, followed by the service at 6.30pm.*



If you'd like to make a donation towards St James's work, cash may be left in the basket on the refreshments table.



Card donations may be made using the tap donation points at the back of the church or this QR code.

Pride LGBTQ+ Sanctuary

Tuesday 6th February at 6pm, at St Pancras, Euston Road and streamed on YouTube

During our quarterly Pride Sanctuary service, we celebrate LGBTQIA+ pride and faith together as a community.



This is an opportunity to find inspiration, share stories, and build fellowship.

After the service there will be drinks and nibbles. All are very welcome!

Discover more about our Pride of St James's group on the website at: www.sjp.org.uk/groups/pride-of-st-jamess/

Save the Date: Pilgrimage for the Feast of St Pancras

Sunday 11th May 12.45pm

After the service on Sunday 11th May, join the St James's pilgrimage to St Pancras Euston Road. We will travel by foot, or tube or bus and St Pancras are welcoming us for lunch.



This is a good chance to get to know St Pancras if you haven't been before, as this will be our home for a year during the Wren Project construction.

Meet in the courtyard at 12.45pm on the day! Evensong is at 3pm at St Pancras for those who would like to stay ...

Soul at Saint James

Sunday 4th May 2pm-5pm in the courtyard at St James's, Piccadilly

Soul at Saint James is back for its 2025 season! This year our theme is: The Fruits of the Spirit! An ancient and beautiful description of what it means to love ourselves and others.



Join us for the first event on Sunday 4th of May at 2pm where the power of gospel music will be on full display with Soul Sanctuary Gospel Choir.

The set list includes: *Since Jesus Came* by Tonex; *Peace Like A River* arr. by Peter Yarde Martin, Chris Bullock, Clarence Hunte; *Higher (You're Love Keeps Lifting Me)* Jackie Wilson; *When I Get There* by Kirk Franklin; *Bridge Over Troubled Water* (Whitney and Cece version); and *You Are Good* by Israel Houghton.



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