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PARISH COMMUNION

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

RIP HRH PRINCE PHILIP, DUKE OF EDINBURGH

**SUNDAY 11TH APRIL 2021
10AM**

**CELEBRANT:
THE REVD JOHN SIMPSON, VICAR
PREACHER:
MRS MARIAN DICKINSON, LLM**



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Hymn

[Common Praise 157]

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
and listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful!
Let earth her song begin!
The round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen
their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen,
our joy that hath no end.

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you:

All: And also with you.

From Easter Day until Pentecost:

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia"

The Preparation

Introductory Sentence

Celebrant: Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life.
Alleluia!

John 11.25

The Collect for Purity

All: Almighty 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.

The Celebrant introduces the Confession

Celebrant: Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven
is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin
and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in
penitence and faith.

Kneel or sit

All: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we
have sinned against you and against our
neighbour in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault. We are
truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the
sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for
us, forgive us all that is past and grant that
we may serve you in newness of life to the
glory of your name. Amen.

The Kyries (said)

Celebrant: Lord have mercy upon us,
All: Christ have mercy upon us,
Celebrant: Lord have mercy upon us.

The Absolution

Celebrant: 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

Stand

The Gloria

Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ:
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
Thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art the Most High,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Collect *(please remain standing)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:
All: **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant: Let us pray:

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Please Sit

The First Lesson

The reader says
A reading from The Acts of the Apostles

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

At the end:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord:

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Hymn

[Common Praise 380]

At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him King of glory now:
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation sprang at once to sight,
All the angels faces, all the hosts of light,
Thrones and Dominations, stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders, in their great array.

The remainder of the hymn follows the reading.

The Second Lesson

The reader says

A reading from the first Epistle of St John

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have

fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

At the end:

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord:

All: Thanks be to God.

Stand

Hymn Cont'd

Humbled for a season, to receive a name
From the lips of sinners, unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious, when from death he passed:

Surely, this Lord Jesus, shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire, meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him, King of glory now.

The Gospel

Please turn to face the Gospel

Celebrant: Alleluia, alleluia, I am the first and the last,
says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead,
and behold I am alive for evermore.

All: Alleluia!

Celebrant: The holy Gospel is written in the twentieth
chapter of the Gospel according to St John,
beginning at the nineteenth verse:

All: Glory be to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

At the end:

Celebrant: This is the gospel of the Lord:

All: Praise be to you, O Christ

The Sermon

Mrs Marian Dickinson, LLM

Sit or kneel

The Prayers of Intercession

The prayers usually include these concerns and may follow this sequence:

¶ *The Church of Christ*

¶ *Creation, human society, the Sovereign and those in authority*

¶ *The local community*

¶ *Those who suffer*

¶ *The communion of saints*

These responses may be used

Celebrant: Lord, in your mercy
All Hear our prayer.

Merciful Father and Lord of all life, we praise you that we are made in your image and reflect your truth and light. We thank you for the life of His Royal Highness Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, for the love he received from you and showed among us. Above all, we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants, living and departed, that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ. And we ask that in due time we may share with your servant Philip that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our Lord; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

At the end:

Celebrant: Merciful Father,
All: accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: Christ is our peace; he has reconciled us to Himself in one body by the Cross; let us therefore endeavour to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: The Peace of the Lord be always with you:
All: And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of Peace.

The Notices

Offertory Hymn

[Common Praise 159]

The strife is o'er, the battle done,
the victory of life is won;
the song of triumph has begun.
Alleluia!

The powers of death have done their worst,
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:
let shout of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!

The three sad days are quickly sped,
He rises glorious from the dead
All glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!

Lord! By the stripes which wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live and sing to thee.
Alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you
All: and with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest continues

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *singing*:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit or kneel

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

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.**

Celebrant: 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 the one bread.

Celebrant: Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world; blessed 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.

The Agnus Dei

Celebrant: O Lamb of God,
All: that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

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All: that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: O Lamb of God,
All: that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us Thy Peace

*All come forward to receive communion
at the direction of the stewards.*

Post Communion Prayers

Celebrant: Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

All: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. Through Him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Please stand

Post Communion Hymn

[Common Praise 137]

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise:
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise.
He, who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, we are risen!
Shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain and dew and gleams of glory
from the brightness of thy face,
that we, with our hearts in heaven,
here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel hands be gathered,
and be ever, Lord, with thee.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father and Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen.
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen!

Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen!