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St Andrew's Church

Orford with Longford

**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**2nd June 2019**

**THE GATHERING**

Introit hymn: 163 ‘All hail the power of Jesus’ name’

Priest: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

Priest: What God has prepared for those who love him, he has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything. Therefore, let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord, who has prepared good things for those who love him.

(After a period of silent reflection)

All: Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 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.

Priest: 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.**

**All 🎜 *Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)*

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

***Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)*

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.

***Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)*

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.

***Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)* **Amen**

**The Collect:** O God the king of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles** *(Acts 16. 16–34)*

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, ‘These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.’ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, ‘I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.’ And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, ‘These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.’ The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, ‘Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.’ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, ‘Sirs, what must I do to be saved?’ They answered, ‘Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.’ They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Hymn:** *(remain seated)*  439 ‘God be in my head’

**A reading from the book of Revelation** *(Rev 22. 12–14, 16–17, 20–21)*

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: ‘See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.’ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. ‘It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.’ The Spirit and the bride say, ‘Come.’ And let everyone who hears say, ‘Come.’ And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, ‘Surely I am coming soon.’ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn:** 563 vv 1-4 ‘Rejoice! The Lord is king’

# THE GOSPEL

Priest Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All 🎜 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John*(Jn 17. 20–26)*

All 🎜 Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: ‘Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All 🎜 Praise to you, O Christ

**The Sermon**

Please stand to say the Nicene Creed:

Priest: We believe in one God,

**All: the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE INTERCESSION

Priest: In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father

The prayers are led by a member of the congregation. Each section ends:

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

**Please remember in your prayers:**

* **those who are ill**  (4) Vera Wood, Gemma Rusling, Dorothy Pearson (3) Lynn Burman, Michael Stringer, Michelle Smith, Joyce Hetherington, Pauline Smith, Callum Foy (2) Norma Lee, Stan Brand, Beryl Bentley (1) Mark Shepherd, Marion Greatorex, Eileen Whitehead, Dennis Bostock
* ***those who have died:***  Kathy Rowan, Barbara Boscoe, John Rathbone, Brody Buck, Dorothy Corless, Brenda Savage, John Hetherington, Ron Bullock, Mandy Coleman
* ***those whose year’s mind falls at this time:***

***Monday:*** Patrick McBride ***Wednesday:*** Ann Rushton

After the final petition:

Intercessor: Merciful Father, **accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace *(please stand)*

Priest: God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you

Priest: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Everyone is invited to exchange a sign of peace.

**Offertory Hymn:**  278 ‘Alleluia, sing to Jesus’

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER E**

Priest: The Lord is here

**All 🎜** **His spirit is with us**

Priest Lift up your hearts

**All 🎜 We lift them to the Lord**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All 🎜 It is right to give thanks and praise

Priest: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For he is our great high priest who has entered once for all into the heavenly sanctuary, evermore to pour upon your Church the grace and comfort of your Holy Spirit. He is the one who has gone before us, who calls us to be united in prayer as were his disciples in the upper room while they awaited his promised gift, the life-giving Spirit of Pentecost. Therefore all creation yearns with eager longing as angels and archangels sing the endless hymn of praise:

**All 🎜 Holy, holy, holy Lord; Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest, Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna, hosanna in the highest, Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Priest: We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All 🎜 Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Priest: Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Andrew and all the saintsto feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

**All 🎜** **Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen**.

THE COMMUNION

Priest: Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All: 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.

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body,

because we all share in one bread.

**All** 🎜 **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy.** *(twice)*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace**.

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Holy Communion is administered at the front of Church. Everyone is warmly invited to receive Holy Communion at this Eucharist. Those who prefer to receive a blessing are also invited to come forward at the same time.

During the distribution of the Sacrament, the following hymns are sung:

322 ‘Soul of my Saviour’

When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a neighbour were you there?

*And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,*

*Were you there?*

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there?

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there?

When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?

Wherever you travel, I'll be there I'll be there,

Wherever you travel, I'll be there I'll be there,

*And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,*

*I'll be there!*

**After Communion,** and a short period of silence:

All: 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

Priest: The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

**Recessional Hymn** 258 ‘Lord of beauty, thine the splendour’

Priest: Go in joy and peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Services and Notices for the coming week:

Tues 4th: 7.00pm Parish Office and Choir Practice

Wed 5th: 7.00pm Eucharist

Thurs 6th: 10.30am Eucharist

1.00pm Funeral of Mandy Hayman (Coleman)

**Next Sunday The Day of Pentecost**

**(9th June) 10.00am Sung Eucharist**

**Tea and Coffee**: Are served after the service – do join us.

**Funerals**: Kathy Rowan’s funeral will take place on Tuesday 11th June at 10.45am and Barbara Bostock’s funeral on Thursday 13th June at 1.00pm.

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**Easter 7 2nd June 2019**

Priest: In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

*(all kneel)*

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, great high priest, ever living to intercede for us, hear our prayers for the church, your broken body in the world, for its mission and ministry to all people, and for its proclamation of your Kingdom. bless the current prayer initiative *Thy Kingdom Come* and hear our prayer for growth in faith and in number

We pray for the Anglican Church in Mexico.

We pray too for our brothers and sisters at St Benedict’s, St Margaret’s, St Stephen’s and St Ann’s.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus Christ, king of righteousness, enthroned at the right hand of the Majesty on high, hear our prayers for the nations of the world, and subject them to your just and gentle rule. We pray for those who have recently been elected to office, that they might rule with wisdom and honour. Bless those who are seeking a solution to our country’s present uncertainty.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus Christ, son of man, drawing humanity into the life of God, hear our prayers for our brothers and sisters in need, distress and sorrow; for those who hunger or thirst or have no home of their own.

We pray too for those who are ill at this time, for Vera Wood, Gemma Rusling, Dorothy Pearson, Lynn Burman, Michael Stringer, Michelle Smith, Joyce Hetherington, Pauline Smith, Callum Foy, Norma Lee, Stan Brand, Beryl Bentley, Mark Shepherd, Marion Greatorex, Eileen Whitehead, Dennis Bostock ... and for any we now mention in the silence of our own hearts.

*(pause)*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus Christ, pioneer of our salvation bringing us to glory through your death and resurrection, surround with your saints and angels all who have died trusting your promises. We pray for Kathy Rowan, Barbara Boscoe, John Rathbone, Brody Buck, Dorothy Corless, Brenda Savage, John Hetherington, Ron Bullock, Mandy Coleman; and for those whose anniversary falls at this time: for Patrick McBride and Ann Rushton. May the faithful rest in your eternal love and goodness.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus Christ, Lord over all things, ascending far above the heavens and filling the universe, pray for us who receive the gifts you give for work in your service. We also hold before you those who were confirmed recently and those preparing for ordination.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus Christ, keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at your feet; for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for all eternity.

Merciful Father,

**All: accept these prayers,**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**