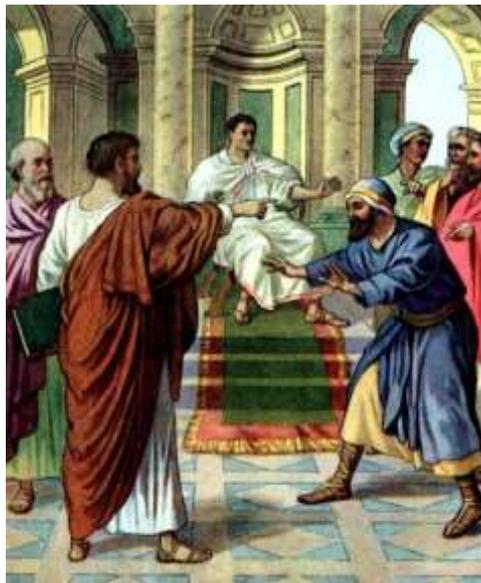




Living churches at the heart of their communities...

**St Giles', Durham,  
St Cuthbert's, Shadforth and St Mary's, Sherburn**

**A Service of Holy Communion  
Sunday 13 September 2020  
Trinity 14**



*Exodus 14. 19-end; Psalm 114; Romans 14. 1-12; Matthew 18. 21-35*

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# The Gathering

## The Greeting

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

*All* **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

## Prayer of Preparation

*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.**

## Prayers of Penitence

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*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.**

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.

*All* **Amen.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

*All* **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,  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*All*    **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Readings

A reading from the book of Romans

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written,  
'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

For the word of the Lord

*All*    **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

*All*    **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

*All*    **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All*    **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon or Reflection

### The Creed

*All* We believe in one God,  
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.

## Prayers

*The following responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy  
*All* **hear our prayer.** Lord, hear us  
*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*at the end:*

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### 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  
*All* **And also with you.**

### Prayers at the Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord 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.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord 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 salvation.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

*All* **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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

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

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Great is the mystery of faith  
*All* **Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of *[N and]* all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

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.**

## **Agnus Dei**

*All* **Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin 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.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:  
by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

## **The Dismissal**

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All*    **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*    **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Notices

**Today** we welcome Rev'd Richard Briggs to lead our services at St Cuthbert's and St Giles. Rev'd Richard will lead the service at St Mary's next Sunday.

**Rev'd Abbey's Ordination and First Eucharist.** Rev'd Abbey will be ordained as a priest on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 5pm at St Nic's. Sadly due to coronavirus numbers are extremely limited so we will not be able to attend. We do hope the service will be streamed live and details on how to access this will be made available.

Rev'd Abbey will celebrate the Eucharist for the first time at 11am on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September at St Giles. We anticipate that many people will want to attend this special service. Once again, due to coronavirus we will have to have limited numbers. Therefore there will be a sign-up sheet and ballot for attendance at this service. For those who are unable to attend due to numbers, there will be an extra service at 10am at St Giles that Sunday. In St Cuthbert's and St Mary's the services will continue at their usual times that Sunday.

### Morning and Evening Prayer 13 - 19 September

	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
<b>Sunday 13 September</b>	Psalm 119. 65-88 Isaiah 44.24 - 45.8 Revelation 12. 1-12	Psalm 119. 41-48 Ezekiel 20, 1-8, 33-44 Acts 20. 17-end
<b>Monday 14 September</b> <i>Holy Cross Day</i>	Psalms 2, 8, 146 Genesis 3. 1-15 John 12. 27-36a	Psalms 110, 150 Isaiah 63. 1-16 1 Corinthians 1. 18-25
<b>Tuesday 15 September</b> <i>Cyprian, bishop, 258</i>	Psalms 5, 6 1 Kings 1.32 - 2.4; 2.10-12 Acts 13.44 - 14.7	Psalms 9, 10 Wisdom 2 Mark 10. 1-16
<b>Wednesday 16 September</b> <i>Ninian, bishop, c.432</i>	Psalm 119. 1-32 1 Kings 3 Acts 14. 8-end	Psalms 11, 12, 13 Wisdom 3. 1-9 Mark 10. 17-31
<b>Thursday 17 September</b>	Psalms 14, 15, 16 1 Kings 4.29 - 5.12 Acts 15. 1-21	Psalm 18 Wisdom 4. 7-end Mark 10. 32-34
<b>Friday 18 September</b>	Psalms 17, 19 1 Kings 6. 1, 11-28 Acts 15. 22-35	Psalm 22 Wisdom 5. 1-16 Mark 10. 35-45
<b>Saturday 19 September</b>	Psalms 20, 21, 23 1 Kings 8. 1-30 Acts 15.36 - 16.5	Psalms 24, 25 Wisdom 5.17 - 6.11 Mark 10. 46-end