University Church

Choral Eucharist

The Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday 24 April 2022

10.30am

Please take this booklet away with you

Welcome to the University Church of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford. We are delighted that you have joined us today as we celebrate the Eucharist together. This leaflet will guide you through the service. The preacher is The Revd Dr Will Lamb, Vicar. The Mass Setting is the *Missa Brevis* by Grayston Ives (b. 1948), which is sung by the University Church Choir, directed by Robert Howarth. The organ is played by James Brown.

PUBLIC HEALTH: SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Please note that special arrangements are in place this morning to ensure that the risk of infection by Coronavirus is reduced as much as possible. Please follow the direction of stewards at all times, using the hand sanitiser provided. We encourage the continued wearing of face masks to help protect those who are most vulnerable. There are no seating restrictions in the nave, but please note that an area in the north aisle is reserved where social distancing remains in place and mask wearing is strongly encouraged. To protect the most vulnerable, there is no sharing of the common cup at this time and Communion is in one kind.

CHILDREN AT ST MARY'S

We are delighted to have children worshipping with us and you are welcome to breastfeed and bottle-feed in church. A selection of toys and books are available in the Newman Room (behind the glass brick wall) next to the baby changing facilities. Godly Play takes place today and monthly on the first Sunday of each month in the Old Library during the first 45 minutes of the service for children aged 3-8 years old and their family. Buggy access is via the tower entrance.

INFORMATION ABOUT ST MARY'S

The University Church is a Christian church within the Church of England and we welcome people of all Christian traditions as well as people of other faiths, and those of little or no faith. If you are new and would like to receive our weekly newsletter about events and services at St Mary's, sign up at: universitychurch.ox.ac.uk/content/keeping-touch. Toilets, including a disabled toilet and baby change, are situated at the back of Church behind the glass brick wall. Entry is on the right-hand side as you look at the glass brick wall, near to the font. To enable our worship to be uninterrupted, please ensure that all mobile phones and other electronic devices are switched off before and during the service. You are kindly requested to refrain from making any audio or visual recording of any part of this service without the written permission of the Vicar. This service is live-streamed and the central nave area may be visible on camera.



An induction loop is available in the nave area for those who are hard of hearing. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.



Large print copies of this booklet are available. Please ask the stewards.

Second Movement (Andante) from Organ Sonata 1 - *Felix Borowski* (1872-1956)

THE GATHERING



Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: *Alleluya!*

The Lord of life is risen for ay; bring flowers of song to strew his way; let every tongue rejoice and say: *Alleluya!*

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: *Alleluya!*

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: *Alleluya*!

> Words: Cyril Alington (1872-1955) © Sir Richard Mynors Tune: from Vulpius' *Gesangbuch*, Jena 1609 (NEH 107)

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*AllAmen.*

President The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Words of welcome may be offered

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

- DeaconChrist our passover has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore
rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins
with a sincere and true heart.Please sit or kneel
- 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.

President 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

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine

Sung by the Choir

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu in Gloria Dei Patris. Amen. 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 the God the Father. Amen

THE COLLECT

President 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.

All Amen.

Please sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 5.27-32

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Reader For the word of the Lord. **All Thanks be to God.**



Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain, wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: *Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.*

In the grave they laid him, Love whom they had slain, thinking that never he would wake again, laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: *Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.*

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, he that for three days in the grave had lain, quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen: *Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.*

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, thy touch can call us back to life again, fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: *Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.*

> Words: John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958) © OUP Tune: NOËL NOUVELET, Traditional French melody (NEH 115)

Please remain standing and turn to face the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus said, 'You believe because you can see me. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

All Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL

John 20.19-31

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord**.

All

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.

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON Revd Dr William Lamb

Please sit

Please stand

THE NICENE 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 Sen of Code stormally heavtten of the Father.

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.

Lord. Alleluia!

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace by saying 'Peace be with you!'

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.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

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 OF INTERCESSION

Please sit or kneel

President Let us bring all our prayers and petitions before almighty God.

Or

Lord, in your mercy:

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

All hear our prayer.

Merciful Father. accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

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President The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the

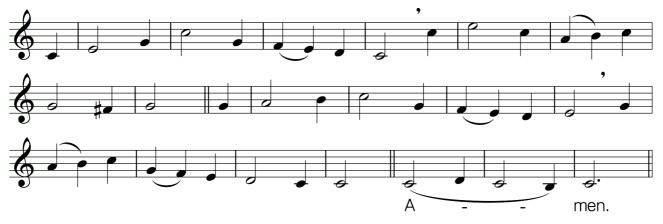
The peace of the Lord be always with you

A// and also with you.

Please stand

OFFERTORY HYMN

During this hymn a collection is taken, and the altar is prepared.



The Lamb's high banquet we await in snow-white robes of royal state, and now, the Red Sea's channel past, to Christ our Prince we sing at last.

Upon the altar of the Cross his body has redeemed our loss, and tasting of his precious Blood, our life is hid with Christ in God.

That Paschal eve God's arm was bared, the devastating angel spared; by strength of hand our hosts went free from Pharaoh's ruthless tyranny.

Now Christ our Passover is slain, the Lamb of God that knows no stain, and he, the true unleavened Bread, is truly our oblation made.

O thou from whom hell's monarch flies, O great, O very Sacrifice, thy captive people are set free, and endless life restored in thee.

For Christ, arising from the dead, from conquered hell victorious sped, he thrusts the tyrant down to chains, our Paradise with thee regains.

Maker of all, to thee we pray, fulfil in us thy joy today; when death assails, grant, Lord, that we may share thy Paschal victory. Amen.

Words: *Ad coenam Agni provide*, 7th century, trans John M Neale (1818-1866) Tune: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM, Grenoble church melody (NEH 101.ii)

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

President Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. In your loving care you spread before us the table of life and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour and our Shepherd, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Blessed be God forever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Please remain standing

President The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

President Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

President It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and on this glorious day of our redemption to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works. For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored humankind the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal. And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

Sung by the Choir

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. 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. 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.

Deacon Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

President 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 and all the saints to 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.

Please sit or kneel

THE LORD'S PRAYER

President 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

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

President 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.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

President Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.	Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.	Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.	Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Once the Agnus Dei has been sung, all who seek to follow Christ are invited forward to receive communion. To protect the most vulnerable, there is no sharing of the common cup at this time. Communion is in one kind. When directed by the stewards, please go forward to receive communion. Those seated in the south aisle and in the nave, please go to the station in front of the Nave Altar and those seated on the balcony and in the north aisle please go to the station in the De Brome Chapel. Please wash your hands with the sanitiser provided and remove your mask. The priest will place the sacrament into your hands with the words 'the Body of Christ' to which you respond 'Amen'. You should consume the host immediately and replace your mask. If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer please tell the priest at the Nave Altar. If you would like a prayer of blessing, please bow your head and fold your arms as you approach the altar.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Victimae paschali laudes Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

President 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.

All 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.



Love's redeeming work is done; fought the fight, the battle won: lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er! lo, he sets in blood no more!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal! Christ has burst the gates of hell; death in vain forbids his rise; Christ has opened Paradise.

Lives again our glorious King; where, O death, is now thy sting? Dying once, he all doth save; where thy victory, O grave?



Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head; made like him, like him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Praise to thee by both be given: thee we greet triumphant now; hail, the Resurrection thou!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Tune: SAVANNAH (HERRNHUT), from MS. *Choralbuch*, Herrnhut c.1740 (NEH 113)

THE DISMISSAL

Please be seated

NOTICES

THE BLESSING.

Please stand

President Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

President The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, 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, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Third Movement (Allegro con fuoco) from Organ Sonata 1 - *Felix Borowski* (1872-1956)

Please join us for refreshments after the service



GODLY PLAY

Next Sunday (1 May), our monthly Godly Play session for children 3-8 years old and their families, will take place in the Old Library during the first 45 minutes of the service after which families will re-join the service for communion.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Today at 12noon, all parishioners are invited to elect new churchwardens and then those on the electoral roll will be invited to elect four new members of the Parochial Church Council. We will receive reports from the churchwardens and Treasurer and find out more about plans for the next year.

BAMPTON LECTURES

Tuesday 10 and 17 May 10am and 11.30am – 'The Age of Hitler and how we can escape it' Join us for this year's Bampton Lectures delivered by Professor Alec Ryrie FBA, Professor of the History of Christianity in the Department of Theology and Religion at Durham University.

STILE ANTICO

We are delighted to announce that Stile Antico will be Ensemble in Residence at the University Church from May 2022 – April 2023. This exceptional early music vocal ensemble will be offering a series of concerts through the year as well as a number of outreach initiatives. To launch this exciting partnership, there will be a performance of a new programme of music, The Mystic Rose, exploring glorious music written in honour of St Mary the Virgin, on Wednesday 18 May at 8.00pm. Tickets cost £30, £20 and £10 (restricted view). You can book on the church website.

LUNCHTIME BIBLE STUDY

Our bible studies resume at 12.45pm this coming Thursday in the Old Library. We will be studying the parables of Jesus. Everyone is welcome.

SUPPORTING OUR MINISTRY

If you would like to support the ministry of the University Church, you may wish to make a cash donation at the offertory or via the contactless card machine by the High Street entrance. You can also make a donation online (please use the QR code) through the Parish Giving Scheme or by sending a text: Text "SMV X" to 70085 to donate £X. E.g.: "SMV 5" to 70085 will donate £5.00. Texts cost £X plus one standard rate message. Thank you!



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This Week

Sunday	08.30	Holy Eucharist	<i>Chancel</i>
	10.30	Choral Eucharist	Nave
	12.00	Annual General Meeting	Old Library
	15.30	Taize Service	Nave
Monday Mark the Evangelist	09.00 12.15 17.45	Morning Prayer Eucharist ANZAC Day Service	Chancel Chancel Nave
Tuesday	09.00	Morning Prayer	Chancel
George, c.304	12.15	Eucharist	Chancel
Wednesday	09.00	Morning Prayer	Chancel
Christina Rossetti, 189	9 <i>4</i> 12.15	Eucharist	Chancel
Thursday	09.00	Morning Prayer	Chancel
Peter Chanel, 1841	12.15	Eucharist	Chancel
Friday Catherine of Siena, 1380	09.00 12.15	Morning Prayer Eucharist	Chancel Chancel
Saturday	14.00	Graduation Ceremony	Nave

Next Sunday

Sunday 1st May The Third Sunday of Easter

8.30	Holy Eucharist <i>Preacher:</i> The Revd Hannah Cartwright	Chancel
10.30	Choral Eucharist <i>Preacher:</i> The Revd Hannah Cartwright	Nave
15.30	German Lutheran Service	Chancel



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