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ALL-AGE EUCHARIST & BAPTISM
ON
THE 20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
SUNDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2021

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

Grace and peace be with you
and we shall praise your name.

The priest offers words of welcome and introduces the Eucharist

HYMN

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heav'n, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
Pow'r and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:

Suff'ring servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
Death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:

Priestly King, enthroned for ever
high in heav'n above!
Sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:

*Michael Seward .1932
Tune: Guiting Power*

*Millie, her parents and godparents come to the front of the Church,
the rest of the congregation sits down*

The priest addresses the whole congregation

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.

We thank God for Millie as she begins the journey of faith.

So I ask you all:

Will you support Millie as she begins the journey of faith?

We will.

Will you help her to live and grow within God's family?

We will.

The priest then addresses the parents and godparents

God knows each of us by name and we are his.

Parents and godparents, you speak for Millie today.

Will you pray for her,

and help her to follow Christ?

We will.

OPENING PRAYER (THE COLLECT)

God, our light and our salvation:

shine in all our lives,

that we may see your goodness in the land of the living,

and looking on your beauty

may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READING – HEBREWS 5. 1-10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest is chosen from his fellow-men and appointed to serve God on their behalf, to offer sacrifices and offerings for sins. Since he himself is weak in many ways, he is able to be gentle with those who are ignorant and make mistakes. And because he is himself weak, he must offer sacrifices not only for the sins of the people but also for his

own sins. No one chooses for himself the honour of being a high priest. It is only by God's call that a man is made a high priest - just as Aaron was.

In the same way, Christ did not take upon himself the honour of being a high priest.

Instead, God said to him, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father."

He also said in another place, "You will be a priest forever, in the priestly order of Melchizedek." In his life on earth Jesus made his prayers and requests with loud cries and tears to God, who could save him from death. Because he was humble and devoted, God heard him. But even though he was God's Son, he learned through his sufferings to be obedient. When he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey him, and God declared him to be high priest, in the priestly order of Melchizedek.

For the word of the Lord
thanks be to God.

HYMN

God is great, amazing!

Come, let his praises ring.

God is great, astounding!

The whole creation sings.

His clothing is splendour and majesty bright,
for he wraps himself in a garment of light.

He spreads out the heavens – his palace of stars,
and rides on the wings of the wind.

Above his creation the Father presides:
the pulse of the planets, the rhythm of tides,
the moon marks the seasons, the day follows night,
yet he knows every beat of my heart.

Let cannons of thunder salute their acclaim,
the sunsets fly glorious banners of flame,
the angels cry 'holy' again and again
as they soar in the arch of the heavens.

Graham Kendrick & Steve Thompson

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus. "Teacher," they said, "there is something we want you to do for us." "What is it?" Jesus asked them. They answered, "When you sit on your throne in your glorious Kingdom, we want you to let us sit with you, one at your right and one at your left." Jesus said to them, "You don't know what you are asking for. Can you drink the cup of suffering that I must drink? Can you be baptized in the way I must be baptized?" "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink the cup I must drink and be baptized in the way I must be baptized. But I do not have the right to choose who will sit at my right and my left. It is God who will give these places to those for whom he has prepared them." When the other ten disciples heard about it, they became angry with James and John. So Jesus called them all together to him and said, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the heathen have power over them, and the leaders have complete authority. This, however, is not the way it is among you. If one of you wants to be great, you must be the servant of the rest; and if one of you wants to be first, you must be the slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served; he came to serve and to give his life to redeem many people."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

ADDRESS *Please SIT*

THE BAPTISM

Parents and Godparents gather around the FONT with the Priest

The Decision

The priest addresses the candidate and parents and godparents

We all wander far from God and lose our way:

Christ comes to find us and welcome us home.

In baptism we respond to his call.

Therefore I ask:

Do you turn away from sin? **I do.**

Do you reject evil? **I do.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? **I do.**

Do you trust him as Lord? **I do.**

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

*The sign of the cross is made on the forehead of each child
who is to be baptized*

Millie, Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of the cross ☩.

Do not be ashamed of Christ.

You are his for ever.

**Stand bravely with him
against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF THE WATER

We praise you, loving Father,
for the gift of your Son Jesus.

At his baptism in the River Jordan
you poured your Spirit on him.

He sent his followers
to baptize all who turn to him.

And so, Father, we ask you to ☩ bless this water,
that those who are baptized in it
may be cleansed in the water of life,
filled with your Spirit
and know themselves loved as your children,
safe in Christ for ever. **Amen.**

Let us affirm, together with this child who is being baptised,
our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life
to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

The priest baptizes the child, saying:

Millie Rose, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The priest anoints the child on the crown of the head with the Oil of Chrism, saying:

May God, who has received you by baptism into His Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

A baptismal candle is given to the newly baptized child:

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**Shine as a light in the world,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Millie, today God has touched you with his love,
and you are now a member of his family, the Church.
God promises to be with you
in good times and bad,
to be your guide in life,
and to bring you safely to heaven.
Today is only the beginning!
You are on a lifelong journey with God,
together with all God's people,
to grow in faith, to find out all you can about Jesus
and grow in friendship with God and in love for all people,
so living out the life of Jesus in the world today.

The priest presents the newly baptized to the congregation

WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE *Please STAND*

God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit he has given us.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

HYMN

Meekness and majesty, manhood and deity,
in perfect harmony the man who is God:
Lord of eternity dwell in humanity
kneels in humility and washes our feet.

*Oh, what a mystery, meekness and majesty.
Bow down and worship, for this is your God.*

Father's pure radiance perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience to death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life, conquering through sacrifice,
and as they crucify prays: 'Father forgive.'

Wisdom unsearchable, God the invisible,
Love indestructible in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity to the heights of his throne.

WE GIVE THANKS OVER BREAD AND WINE AND SHARE COMMUNION

With this bread that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body,
wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring.
We shall remember Jesus.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here
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 him thanks and praise.

Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

You give us happy times and things to celebrate.
In these we taste your kingdom, a feast for all your children.

You made us all, each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**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 thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit,
today and for ever. **Amen.**

Silence is kept

Jesus taught us to call God our Father,
so in faith and trust we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Priest breaks the bread
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body
for we all share in one bread.**

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

We warmly invite all those who are baptised to receive Holy Communion with us today. (Children at the discretion of parents). Those not receiving Holy Communion are welcome to receive a blessing. If you want to receive a blessing just hold your booklet in front of you when you come forward to the altar. Thank you!

HYMN DURING COMMUNION:

Silent, surrendered, calm and still,
open to the word of God.
Heart humbled to his will,
offered is the servant of God.

Margaret Rizza b.1929 & Pamela Hayes

After Communion a short period of Silence is kept

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND CLOSING BLESSING

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

May the God of all faithfulness grow your faith and give you grace to follow Jesus.
And the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

FINAL HYMN

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness,
search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory;
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Graham Kendrick b.1950

NOTICES

Covid 19 Please use the hand sanitiser, complete the Track & Trace form, and please continue wear a face covering when coming to church. Some changes are being made as restrictions ease but please take care to keep one another safe.

Service Booklets. Please do take this reading sheet away with you after the service but please leave the service booklet here. The booklets are quarantined until the following Sunday. Thank you!

Daily Prayer. Morning and Evening Prayer are once more open to the public having been continued by the clergy during the pandemic. You are very welcome to join in the Daily Prayer of the Church at the Cathedral. Morning Prayer is at 9am and Evening Prayer at 6pm. The Holy Eucharist is also celebrated each day from Monday to Friday. See below for details.

Collection. We do not go around with collection plates at the Offertory but there are plates at the back for your donations. If you are a regular worshipper here please consider giving by Gift Direct, a simple and easy way to give to the work of the Church. Details can be found on the Church in Wales website: www.churchinwales.org.uk Thank you!

Church Opening. The Parish Church is now open daily for visitors and prayer. We need some volunteers to go on the rota for locking up. If you can help with this please sign the sheet at the back of Church.

THE WEEK AHEAD

18th Monday – Luke, Evangelist

9am Morning Prayer

12noon Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

6pm Evening Prayer

19th Tuesday – Henry Martyn

9am Morning Prayer

6pm Evening Prayer

7pm Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

20th Wednesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

10.30am Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

6pm Evening Prayer

21st Thursday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*

6pm Evening Prayer

22nd Friday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*)

6pm Choral Evensong

23rd Saturday – James of Jerusalem

9am Morning Prayer

1pm Wedding *at the Cathedral*

6pm Evening Prayer

24th Sunday – The Last Sunday after Trinity (Bible Sunday)

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm A Light to our Path: A Service of
Readings and Music for Bible Sunday'

*Cathedral Services on 24th to be sung by
Cantamus*

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