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CIVIC SERVICE FOR
COUNCILLOR COLIN HARDIE
IN HIS YEAR AS MAYOR OF ST ASAPH



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ENTRANCE HYMN

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's Destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.

*Welsh, William Williams 1717-91
Tr. Peter Williams 1727-96 and others
Tune: Cwn Rhondda*

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

Grace and peace be with you
and keep you in the love of Christ.

The priest offers words of welcome and introduces the Eucharist

Father of glory, holy and eternal,
look upon us now in power and mercy.
May your strength overcome our weakness,
your radiance transform our blindness,
and your Spirit draw us to that love
shown and offered to us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence

**Heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and have failed to do what we ought to have done.
We are sorry and truly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and lead us in his way
to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy on you and set you free from sin,
strengthen you in goodness and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS — *Sung by the Choir (Missa Alme Pater, Andrew Millington)*

*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

Let us pray: *(Please remain Standing)*

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE 1ST READING *(Isaiah 26. 1-8) – Read in Welsh by Councillor Linda Griffiths*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

On that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah:
We have a strong city; he sets up victory like walls and bulwarks.
Open the gates, so that the righteous nation that keeps faith may enter in.
Those of steadfast mind you keep in peace—in peace because they trust in you.
Trust in the Lord for ever, for in the Lord God you have an everlasting rock.
For he has brought low the inhabitants of the height; the lofty city he lays low.
He lays it low to the ground, casts it to the dust.
The foot tramples it, the feet of the poor, the steps of the needy.
The way of the righteous is level; O Just One, you make smooth the path of the
righteous. In the path of your judgements, O Lord, we wait for you;
your name and your renown are the soul's desire.

For the word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 47 – *Please join in the Response:*

R:



Clap your hands together, all you peoples;
O sing to God with shouts of joy.
For the Lord Most High is to be feared;
he is the great King over all the earth. **R:**
He subdued the peoples under us
and the nations under our feet.
He has chosen our heritage for us,
the pride of Jacob, whom he loves. **R:**
God has gone up with a merry noise,
the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.
O sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises. **R:**
For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with all your skill.
God reigns over the nations;
God has taken his seat upon his holy throne. **R:**
The nobles of the peoples are gathered together
with the people of the God of Abraham.
For the powers of the earth belong to God
and he is very highly exalted. **R:**

THE 2ND READING (*Romans 13. 1-10*) – *Read by the Mayor, Councillor Colin Hardie*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgement. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. For the same

reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. Pay to all what is due to them—taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due. Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

For the word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL READING (*Luke 22. 24-30*) - *Please STAND*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;
you have the message of eternal life.*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

A dispute arose among the disciples as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But Jesus said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:
Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

THE SERMON BY THE DEAN OF ST ASAPH

- *Please SIT*

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

- *Please STAND*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE INTERCESSION

- *Please SIT or KNEEL*

**Lord, in your mercy:
hear our Prayer.**

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

THE PEACE

- *Please STAND*

**Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body on the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.**

**The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of the Lord's peace.

HYMN

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee,
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my vvoice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Frances Ridley Havergal 1836 – 1879
Tune: Nottingham

THE THANKSGIVING

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God.
We take this bread,
we take this wine
to follow Christ's example
and obey his command.

Lord God,
you have opened to us the scriptures:
grant that in the breaking of this bread
we may recognise the Word made flesh,
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER (2)

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 our thanks and praise.

True and living God, the source of life for all creation,
you have made us in your own image.
Always and everywhere we give you thanks
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In your love for us and in the fullness of time
you sent your Son to be the Saviour;
the Word was made flesh,
he lived among us and we have seen his glory.
For our sins and the sins of all the world
he suffered death on the cross.
You raised him to life in triumph and exalted him in glory.
Through him you send your Holy Spirit upon your Church
and make us your people.

Therefore, with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven
we praise your glorious name:

*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.*

(Missa Alme Pater, Andrew Millington)

Blessed are you, almighty God,
because on the night he was betrayed
the Lord Jesus took bread,
and when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples and said,

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;
when he had given you thanks
he gave it to them and said,

Drink this, all of you;
this cup is the new covenant in my blood
poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins:
do this as often as you drink it
in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Therefore, loving God,
recalling now the sacrifice of Christ your Son
once for all upon the cross
and the triumph of his resurrection,
we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts
that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son
and be filled with your life and goodness.
Unite us in Christ and give us your peace
that we may do your work and be his body in the world.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.



Silence

As our Saviour taught us, we boldly pray:

**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**

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 AGNUS DEI *is sung by the Choir*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.*

(Missa Alme Pater, Andrew Millington)

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.**

*During communion the Choir will sing the motet:
O how amiable are thy dwellings, Ralph Vaughan Williams*

After Communion Silence is kept

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Tydi a wnaeth y wyrth, O Grist, Fab Duw,
tydi a rodddaist imi flas ar fyw:
fe gydiaist ynof frwy dy Ysbryd Glân,
ni allaf tra bwyf byw ond canu'r gân;
'rwyf heddiw'n gweld yr harddwch sy'n parhau,
'rwy'n teimlo'r ddwyfol ias sy'n bywiocáu;
mae'r Halelwia yn fy enaid i,
a rhoddaf, Iesu, fy mawrhad i ti.

Tydi yw haul fy nydd, O Grist y groes,
yr wyt yn harddu holl orwelion f'oes;
lle'r oedd cysgodion nos mae llif y wawr,
lle'r oeddwn gynt yn ddall 'rwy'n gweld yn awr;
mae golau imi yn dy Berson hael,
penllanw fy ngorfoledd yw dy gael;
mae'r Halelwia yn fy enaid i,
a rhoddaf, Iesu, fy mawrhad i ti.

Tydi sy'n haeddu'r clod, ddihalog Un,
mae ystyr bywyd ynot ti dy hun;
yr wyt yn llanw'r gwacter drwy dy air,
daw'r pell yn agos ynot, O Fab Mair;
mae melodïau'r cread er dy fwyn,
mi welaf dy ogoniant ar bob twyn;
mae'r Halelwia yn fy enaid i,
a rhoddaf, Iesu, fy mawrhad i ti.

W. Rhys Nicholas 1914-96
Tôn: Pantyfedwen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:
his love is everlasting.

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

AN ACT OF COMMITMENT BY THE MAYOR OF ST ASAPH *Please Sit*

Colin, you are called to serve the Lord Jesus and follow him as his disciple.

During your year of office as Mayor of St Asaph City Council:

Will you seek in all that you do to ensure justice, equality and fairness?

I will

Will you promote and encourage good citizenship and a generosity of spirit in service to others?

I will

Will you put aside your own interests to seek the welfare and well-being of our local community?

I will

The rest of the Congregation Stand and make their commitment

Will you seek to promote and encourage good citizenship and a generosity of spirit in your dealings with your fellow men and women?

We will

Will you seek the welfare and well-being of our local community?

We will

Will you do all that you can to show the love of God to others?

We will

Almighty God, look with favour upon the Mayor, elected Members and Officers of St Asaph City Council. Give them patience, vision and courage; and strengthen us all in our calling and commitment to serve our community with compassion and understanding. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ who, by his own example, has shown us the ways of justice, truth and peace. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

**Now thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.**

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

German, Martin Rinkart 1586-1649
Tr. Catherine Winkworth 1827-78
Tune: Nun Danket

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself; the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service; the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts.
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.

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NOTICES

Refreshments. Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can. No charge, but donations gratefully received.

Foodbank. The Foodbank box is now back in the Parish Church. Donations gratefully received.

Memoirs of a Royal Footman at the Parish Church on Friday 28th October at 7pm by Ian Scott-Hunter, former Footman to the Queen. Tickets £15 (including refreshments) available on the evening or in advance by calling 01745 539993.

Booking Secretary. The Parish Church is looking for someone to take and organise bookings for the organisations who use the church. Further information from Fr Rex or one of the Wardens.

All Souls. There will be a Requiem Eucharist at the Cathedral at 10.30am on Wednesday 2nd November. If you would like departed loved ones remembered by name at this, please add names to the list at the Cathedral or Parish Church.

THE WEEK AHEAD

24th Monday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*
5pm Evening Prayer

25th Tuesday – Lewis Bayley, Bishop and Writer

9am Morning Prayer
6pm Evening Prayer
7pm Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

26th Wednesday – Alfred, King

9am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*
5pm Evening Prayer

27th Thursday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*
11am Prayer Group *at the Parish Church*
2pm Forget me not Tea *at the Parish Church*
5pm Evening Prayer

28th Friday – Simon & Jude, Apostles

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*)
6pm Choral Evensong

29th Saturday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
5pm Evening Prayer

30th Sunday – Kingdom 1

9.30am The Parish Eucharist
11am The Cathedral Eucharist
1pm Baptism *at the Parish Church*
3.30pm Choral Evensong