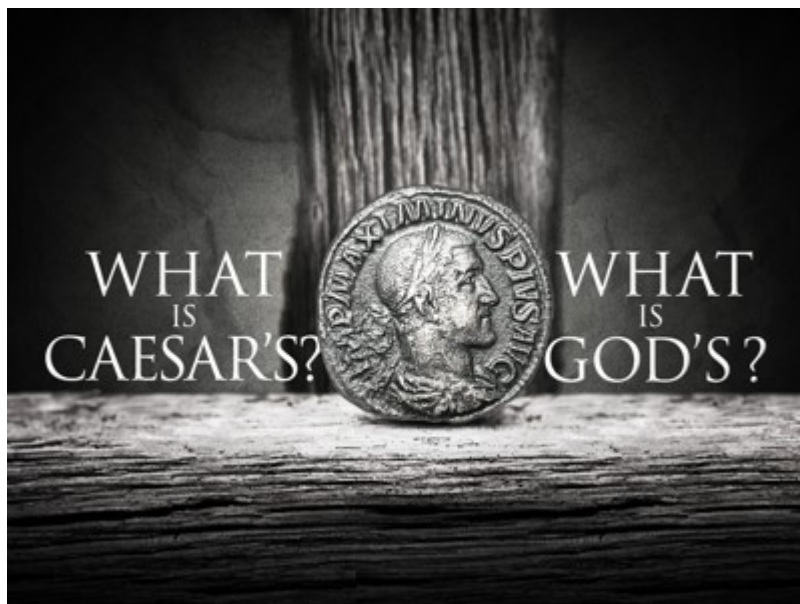


St Swithun's Hither Green

Trinity 19 Eucharist



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10am

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The Gathering

The Greeting

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

Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you

Words of Welcome.

Prayers of penitence – saying sorry

Let us say sorry to God:

When we take what we have for granted

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

When we do not respond to the needs of others

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

When we forget to share your life-giving love

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution – We are forgiven

May the God of love and power

forgive *you* and free *you* from *your* sins,

heal and strengthen *you* by his Spirit,

and raise *you* to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to all people on earth.

Listen to the music...

The Collect

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Liturgy of the Word

The Gospel — *Matthew 22.15-22*

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

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

Sermon — *Richard Evans*

Affirmation of faith – what do we believe?

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

We believe and trust in God.

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

We believe and trust in God.

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?

We believe and trust in God.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

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

Prayers

Let us pray to God.

The response to: Lord hear us
is: **Lord, graciously hear us**

Merciful Father:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

God has called us to live in peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us use sign language or wave to each other a sign of peace.

Hymn

Only those in the designated choir will be singing without masks.

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found;

Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,

And grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,

I have already come;

'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,

And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,

His Word my hope secures;

He will my Shield and Portion be,

As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,

Bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise

Than when we'd first begun.

Prayer over the gifts

Loving God, accept the gifts we offer

The gift of bread to sustain us in our journey

The gift of wine to bring us joy

The gift of ourselves and our resources to work for your glory

Amen

The Eucharistic 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 thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it
and gave it to them saying: *Take, eat; this is my body
which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said: *Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you
for the forgiveness of sins: do this in remembrance of me.*

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven, saying:

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

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

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

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Communion will be brought to you in one kind. Please stay seated in your place whilst we come to you safely – alternatively a prayer can be said at a physical distance with you as we move round the church.

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

Thank you generous God. Thank you for teaching us with your word. Thank you for feeding us with communion.

Thank you for the many gifts we have been given.

May we share what we have been given with others. Amen.

Notices and Celebrations

- Please fill in the track and trace information and leave it on your chair
- APCM today at 11.30am
- Happy Birthday to those with a birthday

Dismissal and Blessing

The Blessing

May God bless us; may God keep us in the Spirit's care and lead our lives with love. May Christ's warm welcome shine from our hearts and Christ's own peace prevail through this and everyday. May the God of love, Creator, Friend and Spirit be among us and remain with us always **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

Please pray for:

- Our APCM and all those elected to offices in the church.
- Rev Ann and her work in Goldsmiths University.
- Those who are in need or have asked for our prayers – Neil, Debbie, Elaine and family, Clinton, Francis, Cynthia, Diane, Harold, Joseph, Lynette, Jacqueline, Ivy, Sean, Taneisha, Talabi, Kevin, John, Susan, Margaret, Sydney, Edith, Vanda, Lorna, Ena and Stephen
- Those who have died – Florence, David, Patricia and John