



Sunday 11 June 2023, 10am
The First Sunday after Trinity
Barnabas The Apostle

The Eucharist

Presider
Revd Richard Carter

Preacher
Revd Angela Sheard

with the baptisms of
Rafferty Victor Arthur Churley and
Peregrine Auden Inigo Churley

The Choir of St Martin-in-the-Fields

Directed by
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Organist
Hugh Rowlands

Setting
St Martin's Mass *Bednall*

⊕ Common Worship

Welcome

Our welcomers are available to assist with any of the following access information.

Welcome whether you are joining us today in our building or online. Our cameras focus on those who are leading our service, but if you are in the building and would like to ensure that you are not caught on camera, please sit beyond the pillars on the south of the church (to the right as you enter).

Welcome if you are disabled, unwell, have experiences of dementia, physical, sensory, cognitive or mental health issues, or are neurodivergent. The order of service is online or large print copies are available. The hearing loop works best on the south side of the church. Step-free access to church is via the ramp on the north side, and to the Crypt and Hall via lifts in the NW porch and Pavilion.

Welcome to babies, children and young people. We understand that young children make noise. If your baby becomes upset during the service, you are welcome to go to the back of church if needed to settle — or to our children's church room. We support breastfeeding in services; we also have a room allocated if preferred. We have children's church groups during the service (currently alternate weeks) and a monthly group for teenagers after Sunday morning worship.

Welcome to anyone with a need of safeguarding. If you would like to reach our safeguarding team, you can email safeguarding@smitf.org

Welcome to all experiences of race, culture and language. At the Lord's Prayer all are invited to bring the gift of our first language to our worship. Our 1.30pm is in Cantonese: our welcomers are happy to help where they can if you are new to English. You are also very welcome if you are LGBTQIA+.

Welcome if you are agnostic or are from a faith tradition different from Christianity.

Welcome if you are wary of faith. **Welcome** if you're exploring. **Welcome** if you are here to support someone else. If you would like to explore what you believe in a friendly and non-judgemental group, our Being With Courses run throughout the year online and in the building. Email being-with@smitf.org for more details.

You are welcome to share our meal with God. When we come to Holy Communion, we receive bread in the form of a wafer, then wine from a common cup. Non-alcoholic wine and gluten-free wafers are available in the south aisle. If you need to receive in your seat please let a welcomer know and the ministers will come to you. If you do not want to or cannot receive bread or wine for whatever reason you are welcome to let the priest know you would like to receive a simple prayer for blessing, or to stay in your seat. We welcome your ideas and help for us to become a more welcoming community.

We are glad you are here.

The Gathering

Welcome

Please stand. Silence is kept.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

We acknowledge God's presence drawing each of us into one body as we gather on site and online.

Visit us Lord, by your Holy Spirit.

**All Though in many places, we are united as one body.
Though from many backgrounds, we share one hope.**

Opening Hymn

- 1 All who would valiant be
'gainst all disaster,
let them in constancy
follow the master.
There's no discouragement
shall make them once relent
their first avowed intent
to be true pilgrims.**
- 2 Who so beset them round
with dismal stories,
do but themselves confound;
their strength the more is.
No foes shall stay their might;
though they with giants fight,
they will make good their right
to be true pilgrims.**
- 3 Hobgoblin nor foul fiend
can daunt our spirit,
we know we at the end
shall life inherit.
Then fancies fly away,
we'll fear not what they say,
we'll labour night and day
to be a pilgrim.**

John Bunyan (1628-1688)

Please sit.

Introduction

Baptism is the end of the old life we live for ourselves, and the beginning of the new life we live for God. When the Israelites escaped from Egypt, God parted the sea and led the people to freedom. All that held the people in slavery was drowned. Jesus' death on Good Friday echoes the Israelites' descent into the sea. In raising Jesus from the tomb, God brings Jesus out of the sea, leaving sin and death engulfed behind him. When we are baptised, God brings these stories to life in us. God takes away the power of all that oppresses us, and we are born again in the Spirit. We are made members of the body of Christ, to share Christ's sufferings and inherit God's glory. We begin a life of service, to God and the good creation. We join a new family, everlasting and universal: the communion of saints.

Prayer

All **Father God, in your love you have called us to know you, led us to trust you, and bound our life with yours. Surround us with your love; protect us from evil; fill us with your Holy Spirit; and restore us in the family of your Church; that we may walk in the way of Christ and grow in the knowledge of your love. Amen.**

The parents and godparents gather at the legillum.

Presentation

Faith is the Holy Spirit's gift to the people of God. Will you, God's people, welcome Rafferty Victor Arthur and Peregrine Auden Inigo and uphold them in their new lives in Christ?

All **With God's help, we will.**

Parents and godparents, will you pray for Rafferty Victor Arthur and Peregrine Auden Inigo, draw them into the community of faith, help them take their places in the life and worship of the Church, and walk with them in the way of Christ?

With God's help, we will.

Making Our Decision to Follow Christ

To the parents and godparents

Baptism means turning from the darkness of sin to the light of Christ. I now ask you three times if you are resolved to turn from despair to hope, from death to life.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour, Lord and Friend?

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of all your sins?

I repent of all my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

Please stand.

The Baptism party goes to the font during the chant. Children and other members of the congregation are invited to join them.

Baptism Chant Think of how God loves you *MacMillan*

Renewing the Outward Sign of Inward Faith

We thank you, gracious God, for your gifts of water and the Holy Spirit. We thank you that, through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the Promised Land. We thank you that out of death you raised your Son to glorious life. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this water, that as we recall our burial with Christ in baptism, we may share with the saints in his resurrection to new life; that having been born again of water and the Holy Spirit, we may remain forever in the number of your faithful children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

To the parents and godparents and to the whole congregation

Now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which we are baptised, and in which we live and grow.

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

All **I believe and trust in God the Father.**

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

All **I believe and trust in God the Son.**

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?

All **I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit.**

This is the faith of the Church.

All **This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Rafferty Victor Arthur and Peregrine Auden Inigo, for you Jesus Christ came into the world. For you he lived and showed God's love. For you he suffered the darkness of Calvary, and cried at the last, 'It is accomplished'. For you he triumphed over death, and rose to new life. For you he reigns at God's right hand. All this he did for you, though you do not know it yet.

Baptism

Rafferty Victor Arthur, I baptise you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Peregrine Auden Inigo, I baptise you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Signing

The minister makes the sign of the cross on the candidates for baptism with holy oil.

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

The minister invites the parents and godparents to sign the candidates with the cross.

All the leaders of Israel, prophets, priests and kings, were anointed to signify the start of their ministry. Jesus also, who was Israel's prophet, priest and king, was baptised by John at the start of his ministry. This is the start of another ministry. Rafferty Victor Arthur and Peregrine Auden Inigo, we anoint you with holy oil, making the sign of the cross, the seal of salvation.

All Teach us, Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give, and not to count the cost; to fight, and not to heed the wounds; to toil, and not to seek for rest; to labour, and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we do your will. Amen.

A Prayer of St Ignatius Loyola

Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: Rafferty Victor Arthur and Peregrine Auden Inigo, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

All We welcome you into the Lord's family. We are members together of the body of Christ; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we are inheritors together of the Kingdom of God. We welcome you.

Giving of Light

God has delivered us from 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.

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

Baptism Chant Think of how God loves you *MacMillan*

Please remain standing.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please turn to face the Gospel in the centre aisle.

Gospel Reading Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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

Please sit after the opening prayer.

Sermon Revd Angela Sheard

Anthem Come my way Sanders

Please continue to sit or kneel.

The Prayers of Intercession *led by Wendy Quill*

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, in your mercy

All **Hear our prayer.**

And, at the end:

Merciful Father,

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

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

A collection will be taken for the work of this church during the following hymn. You are welcome to donate using:

- cash in the collection bags filling in a Gift Aid envelope if applicable*
- select amount and tap the card machines brought by the stewards*
- by texting COLLECTION to 70450 to donate £10 (texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message).*

- by scanning the QR code to the right with your phone



Offertory Hymn

- 1 Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown,
in you and you in me?**
- 2 Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?**
- 3 Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?**
- 4 Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?**

continued...

A musical interlude may be played on the organ before the final verse is sung

**5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.**

John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (1958-2019)

Preparation of the Table

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and bread and wine are received from the congregation and placed upon it. The financial gifts of the people are gathered and presented with the following prayer:

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

All **Blessed be God forever**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Lord Emmanuel, the with-us God, we thank and praise you because you called Abraham out of the dust of Haran and made him the father of many nations. You blessed him and blessed those who blessed him, and called his nation one in whom all peoples would find a blessing. You reckoned his faith as righteousness. In Jesus you fulfilled that blessing and, in his dying and rising, opened out that covenant to your whole creation. And so we celebrate the wonders of your grace, with all the host of heaven, singing your unending hymn.

Org. *f* Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of po-wer and

ff might. Heav'n and Earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san - na in the high-est.

Org. *p* Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the

pp Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

God of ever-presence, Abraham built an altar in the desert because you had appeared to him. Appear to us now as we gather around this holy table in your name. As your Son pitched his tent in our midst, so through your Holy Spirit make him present to us and make us holy through him that we might behold your glory. Sanctify by that same Spirit this bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, 'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, 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.

Infectious God, in touching the hem of your Son's garment a woman was restored to wholeness and community. In this sacrament give us grace to touch the hem of your garment and so find life and truth and peace. Vindicate all who find themselves excluded by prejudice, discrimination, or bigotry. Restore to your company any who have withdrawn through shame or fear or regret. Lift up those who are invisible because of cruelty or imprisonment or suppression. Visit your children who are close to death or dismayed by grief. Gather to yourself a kingdom of sinner and sage, exile and exalted, that the body, mind, and spirit of your groaning creation may leap for joy and sing in your heart, forever and a day, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Please sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray, each in our first language:

All **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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

All **As Christ breaks bread with us
he enfolds our story in his story.**

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God; you take a-way the sin of the
world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God; you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God; you take a-way the sin of the
world: grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

As Christ became part of us by taking on our flesh, become part of Christ by partaking of his body.

Communicant members of all Christian Churches are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Bread and wine are available in the central and side aisles. Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available in the south aisle. If you wish to receive Communion in your seat do let a steward know.

Communion Anthem Ubi Caritas Ola Gjeilo

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

Notices

Please stand.

Blessing

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.**

Thanksgiving Hymn

- 1 All my hope on God is founded
who will all my trust renew,
who through change and chance will guide me,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
God alone,
call my heart to be thine own.**
- 2 Mortal pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray our trust;
what with care and toil we fashion,
tow'r and temple, fall to dust.
But thy pow'r,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tow'r.**
- 3 Great thy goodness, e'er enduring;
deep thy wisdom, passing thought;
splendour, light, and life attend thee,
beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore
from thy store
new-born worlds rise and adore.**

continued...

**4 Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of God's own Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.**

Robert Bridges (1844-1930) based on Meine Hoffnung stehet feste, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

Dismissal

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

Organ Voluntary

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