

Holy Communion

9.30am – 8th Feb 26 – 2 Before Lent

All creatures of our God and King 250

Lift up your voice and with us sing

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Thou, burning sun with golden beam

Thou, silver moon with softer gleam

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless

And worship Him in humbleness

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son

And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood

Come and rejoice in His great love

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Christ has defeated every sin

Cast all your burdens now on Him

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign

Heaven and earth will join to say

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Then who shall fall on bended knee?

All creatures of our God and King

O praise Him! O praise Him!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Gathering and Greeting

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

All: Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you

Welcome – Revd Philip Sudell

Prayers of Penitence

By the mercies of God, let us confess our
sins and present our bodies as a living
sacrifice, holy and acceptable to him, which
is our spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1.*

Confession

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.

Assurance of forgiveness

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. Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:21-42

²¹ Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, 'Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. ²² Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the door-frame. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. ²³ When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the door-frame and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down. ²⁴ 'Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. ²⁵ When you enter the land that the Lord will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. ²⁶ And when your children ask you, "What does this ceremony mean to you?" ²⁷ then tell them, "It is the Passover sacrifice to

the Lord, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians.'" Then the people bowed down and worshipped. ²⁸ The Israelites did just what the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron. ²⁹ At midnight the Lord struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. ³⁰ Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead. ³¹ During the night Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and said, 'Up! Leave my people, you and the Israelites! Go, worship the Lord as you have requested. ³² Take your flocks and herds, as you have said, and go. And also bless me.' ³³ The Egyptians urged the people to hurry and leave the country. 'For otherwise,' they said, 'we will all die!' ³⁴ So the people took their dough before the yeast was added, and carried it on their shoulders in kneading troughs wrapped in clothing. ³⁵ The Israelites did as Moses instructed and asked the Egyptians for articles of silver and gold and for clothing. ³⁶ The Lord had made the Egyptians favourably disposed towards the people, and they gave them what they asked for; so they plundered the Egyptians. ³⁷ The Israelites journeyed from Rameses to Sukkoth. There were about six hundred thousand men on foot, besides women and children. ³⁸ Many other people went up with them, and also large droves of livestock, both flocks and herds. ³⁹ With the dough the Israelites had brought from Egypt, they baked loaves of unleavened bread. The dough was without yeast because they had been driven out of Egypt and did not have time to prepare food for themselves. ⁴⁰ Now the length of time the Israelite people lived in Egypt was 430

years. ⁴¹ At the end of the 430 years, to the very day, all the Lord's divisions left Egypt. ⁴² Because the Lord kept vigil that night to bring them out of Egypt, on this night all the Israelites are to keep vigil to honour the Lord for the generations to come.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26

For his mercy endures forever.

¹Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious,

• for his mercy endures for ever. ²Give thanks to the God of gods, • for his mercy endures for ever. ³Give thanks to the Lord of lords, • for his mercy endures for ever;

For his mercy endures forever.

⁴Who alone does great wonders, • for his mercy endures for ever; ⁵Who by wisdom made the heavens, • for his mercy endures for ever; ⁶Who laid out the earth upon the waters, • for his mercy endures for ever;

For his mercy endures forever.

⁷Who made the great lights, • for his mercy endures for ever; ⁸The sun to rule the day, • for his mercy endures for ever; ⁹The moon and the stars to govern the night, • for his mercy endures for ever;

For his mercy endures forever.

²³Who remembered us when we were in trouble, • for his mercy endures for ever;

²⁴And delivered us from our enemies, • for his mercy endures for ever; ²⁵Who gives food to all creatures, • for his mercy endures for ever. ²⁶Give thanks to the God of heaven, • for his mercy endures for ever.

For his mercy endures forever.

New Testament Reading

Romans 8:18-25

¹⁸ I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children

of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 6:25-34

²⁵ 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸ 'And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is

thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, “What shall we eat?” or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?” ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – Revd Philip Sudell

Profession of Faith

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

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

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

And at the end: Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of
peace there shall be no end. The peace of the
Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Before the throne of God above 283

I have a strong, a perfect plea,
a great High Priest, whose name is Love
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look, and see Him there
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died,
my sinful soul is counted free,
for God the just is satisfied
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! the risen Lamb!
my perfect, spotless righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM
the King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself, I cannot die;
my soul is purchased by His blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ my Saviour and my God.

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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.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places to give you
thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly
King, almighty and eternal God, through
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For he is
your living Word; through him you have
created all things from the beginning, and
formed us in your own image. Through him
you have freed us from the slavery of sin,
giving him to be born of a woman and to
die upon the cross; you raised him from the
dead and exalted him to your right hand on
high. Through him you have sent upon us
your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us
a people for your own possession.
Therefore with angels and archangels, and
with all the company of heaven, we
proclaim your great and glorious name, for
ever praising you and singing:

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.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his
command, grant that by the power of your
Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood; who,
in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks; he broke
it and gave it to his disciples, saying: 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 and gave you thanks; he gave it to
them, 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember
his offering of himself made once for all
upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty
resurrection and glorious ascension; we
look for the coming of your kingdom, and
with this bread and this cup we make the
memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Christ is the bread of life.

All: **When we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord
Jesus, until you come in glory.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and
as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the
presence of your divine majesty, renew us
by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and
unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who
stand before you in earth and heaven, we
worship you, Father almighty, in songs of
everlasting praise:

All: **Blessing and honour and glory and
power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

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.

The Breaking of Bread

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.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Church family news

Thou whose almighty word 267
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the Gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.

Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move o'er the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

Blessed and holy Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide
let there be light.

John Marriott (1780-1825) Thomas Raffles (1788-1863)

Blessing

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the
image of his glory and gladden your hearts
with the good news of his kingdom;; and
the blessing of God almighty, the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you
and remain with you always.

All: **Amen**

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

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Readings for next Sunday

15th February – Next Before Lent

Exodus 14:5-31

Psalms 2

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

The week ahead

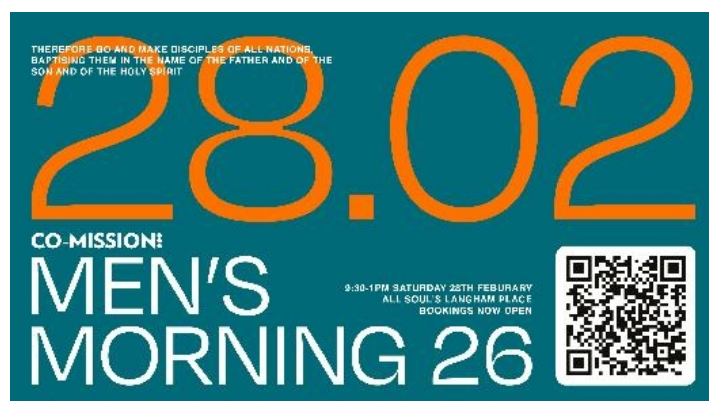
Sun 8 th	9.30am 11am After services	Holy Communion Morning Service LCM visiting
Mon 9 th		
Tues 10 th	9:45-11am 8pm	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups
Wed 11 th	8-9pm	Jesus in his own words @163 CHL
Thurs 12 th	10-11.30am 12 noon 12-3pm 3.45-5pm	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall Holy Communion Community Café @ St Peter's Hall FAB Club @ St Peter's Hall
Fri 13 th	7.15-8am	Friday Prayer @ 163 CHL
Sat 14 th		
Sun 15 th	9.30am 11am After services	Holy Communion Morning Service Discipleship Trg Lunch

Spring Dates

Sun 15th Feb – Discipleship Training Lunch
 Wed 18th Feb – Ash Wednesday HC, 12noon
 Wed 18th Feb – Discipleship Training Repeat
 Sat 14th Feb – Women's Brunch
 Tue 17th Feb – Shrove Tuesday
 Wed 18th Feb – Ash Wednesday
 Sat 28th Feb – Co-Mission Men's morning
 Sat 7th Mar – Family Fun Day
 Sun 8th Mar – Discipleship Training Lunch
 Mon 9th Mar – PCC Meeting
 Sat 14th Mar – Women's Brunch
 Sun 15th Mar – Mothering Sunday
 Wed 18th Mar – Discipleship Training Repeat
 Sun 29th Mar – Palm Sunday
 Fri 3rd April – Good Friday
 Sun 5th April – Easter Sunday
 Sat 11th April – Women's Brunch
 Sun 12th April – Discipleship Training Lunch
 Wed 15th April – Discipleship Training Repeat
 Sun 19th April – Church Family Lunch
 Sat 25th April – Men's Breakfast
 Mon 27th April – PCC Meeting

Co-Mission Men's Morning

Sat 28th Feb - Speak to Philip to find out more, co-mission.org/mensmorning



Reading the Bible in a Year

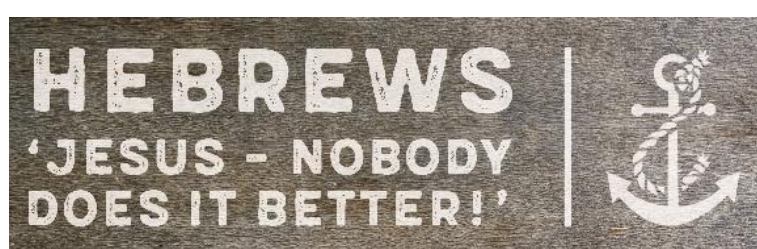
It's not too late to join in! The details are all at www.stpetersch.org.uk under the "Resources" then "Family Discipleship" section of the website.

The first monthly get together for those reading it through will be on **Friday 13th Feb at 6-7pm** at 163 Colney Hatch lane, in person also with a zoom link in the weekly email this week



Family Fun Time Sat 7th Mar

Let Sam Reeder know if you can help.



New **Sermon Series** starting on Sun Feb 22nd. Looking at how Jesus fulfils all the promise of the Old Testament.