



the Church
of **St Peter** and
St Simon-the-Apostle

HOLY CROSS DAY
SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

HOLY EUCHARIST AT 8:30 AM

Celebrant: The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine, Deacon: The Reverend Michael Perry
The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.
Collect p. 321/Psalm 81:1, 10-16/For the readings see 10:30 am.

CHORAL EUCHARIST AT 10:30 AM

The service begins on page 230 of the green *Book of Alternative Services*
or on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.

Celebrant: The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine, Deacon: The Reverend Michael Perry
Mass Setting: Sanctus/Benedictus, Agnus Dei Missa Brevis XIII in G minor,
Holy Cross – Healey Willan

Prelude *Von Gott will ich nicht lassen / From God will I not depart* BWV 658 J. S. BACH

Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn 602 *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

All **unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets
are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and
with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great
commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as
thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All **Lord have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we
beseech thee.**

Gloria CP# 679

MERBECKE

Celebrant Glory be to God on high,

All **and in earth peace, good will towards all.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself, may we who rejoice in the mystery of our redemption, have grace to take up our cross and follow him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Proclamation of the Word

1st Lesson *Numbers 21:4b-9*

Read by Daphne Harris

Reader The 1st Lesson is written in the 21st chapter of the book of Numbers, beginning at the 4th verse.

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader The word of the Lord.

***All* Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98 *Sung by all. Please remain seated.*

Ivor Atkins



- ¹ O sing unto the ' Lord a · new ' song; /
for ' he hath · done ' marvel-lous ' things.
- ² With his own right hand, and with his ' holy ' arm, /
hath he ' gotten him'self the ' victory.
- ³ The Lord hath de'clared his · sal'vation: /
his righteousness hath he openly ' shown · in the ' sight · of the ' nations.
- ⁴ He hath remembered his mercy and his faithfulness toward the ' house of ' Israel; /
and all the ends of the world have seen the sal'vation ' of our ' God.
- ⁵ Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, ' all ye ' lands: /
sing, re'joice, and ' give ' thanks.
- ⁶ Praise the ' Lord up-on the ' harp: /
sing to the ' harp · with a ' psalm of ' thanksgiving.
- ⁷ With trumpets also and the ' sound · of the ' horn, /
O show yourselves joyful be'fore the ' Lord, the ' King.
- ⁸ Let the sea make a noise, and all that ' is there'in; /
the round world, and ' they that ' dwell there'in.
- ⁹ Let the floods clap their hands,
and let the hills be joyful together be'fore the ' Lord; /
for he is ' come to ' judge the ' earth.
- ¹⁰ With righteousness shall he ' judge the ' world, /
and the ' peoples ' with ' equity.

2nd Lesson *1 Corinthians 1:19-24*

Read by Carol Peck

Reader The 2nd Lesson is written in the 1st chapter of the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, beginning at the 19th verse.

For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the

foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Reader The word of the Lord. **All Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 386 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

ROCKINGHAM

The Holy Gospel *John 3:13-17*

The Reverend Michael Perry

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel is written in the 14th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke, beginning at the 1st verse.

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily

The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine

Nicene Creed – Pages 234/71

Celebrant I believe in one God,

the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy,

catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Led by Ted Robinson

Confession and Absolution – Pages 238-240/76-78

The Celebrant invites the prayer of confession. Please kneel, as able. Silence is kept.

Celebrant Almighty God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The absolution is pronounced

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And with thy spirit.

We invite you to share a sign of peace with those near you – a handshake, slight bow or other form of greeting. Please respect the wishes of those who prefer not to shake hands.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 185 Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

ORIEL

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Merciful God, through the death of your beloved Son you transformed an instrument of shame into a sign of hope and glory. Receive all we offer you this day, and renew in us the mystery of his love; through the same Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving – pp. 241-243/78-83

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the preface. Then the choir sings:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee O Lord most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake 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." Likewise, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded: **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.** And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer – *Sung by all*

MERBECKE

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Celebrant We do not presume

All to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei

Choir O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

Communion Hymn 66 *And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love* UNDE ET MEMORIES

Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.

Please do not dip the consecrated bread into the wine - Drinking from the chalice is considered safe from the point of view of public health. You are also welcome to receive only the bread, if you prefer. Indicate this by holding your arms crossed over your chest as the chalice passes; this is also a way to receive a blessing rather than communion.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available – please let the administering priest know.

Motet *All we like Sheep - Messiah*

G.F. HANDEL

All we like sheep have gone astray. We have turned every one to his own Way. And the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Prayer after Communion and Doxology *Please stand.*

Celebrant Almighty God, we give thanks that you have made us partakers of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who took our nature upon him and suffered death upon the cross for our redemption; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Glory to God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Announcements *Please be seated.*

Recessional Hymn 537 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

CROSS OF JESUS

Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Jesus Christus unser Heiland / Jesus Christ, our Saviour BWV 665*

J. S. BACH