



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

The Wednesday Eucharist at 11 am **3 March 2021**

John and Charles Wesley – Commemoration

The service is taken from the
Book of Alternative Services.

The Gathering of the Community

Introit: Psalm 31.1-5

The Greeting

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 also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

All **to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.**

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Collect(s)

The Proclamation of the Word

1st Lesson: Jeremiah 18.18-20

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Then they said, ‘Come, let us make plots against Jeremiah—for instruction shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, let us bring charges against him, and let us not heed any of his words.

Give heed to me, O LORD, and listen to what my adversaries say!

Is evil a recompense for good? Yet they have dug a pit for my life.

Remember how I stood before you to speak good for them, to turn away your wrath from them. The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Tract: Psalm 31.13-16

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 20.17-28

While Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside by themselves, and said to them on the way, ‘See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified; and on the third day he will be raised.’

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favour of him. And he said to her, ‘What do you want?’ She said to him, ‘Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.’ But Jesus answered, ‘You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?’ They said to him, ‘We are able.’ He said to them, ‘You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.’

When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, ‘You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.’

The Nicene Creed *may be said*

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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 the People

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invites the confession of sin. Then is said:

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All **We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The Absolution is pronounced.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues with the preface. Then all sing”

All **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.**

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. At the end all say Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,

All **communion in Christ's Body once broken.**

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All **If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm
we shall reign with him.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All **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.**

Prayer after Communion

Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**