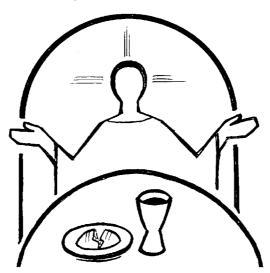
ST PETER'S CHURCH, DARWEN

SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

A VERY WARM WELCOME.

We hope that you will find something of



the presence of God in our worship

Gathering to worship God

Greeting

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

All: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Presider welcomes everyone and introduces the Eucharist.

Opening Prayer

All: Lord, direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray. Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Saying sorry to God

Confession

God our Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish, without thinking of you; Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do and think and say; Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you

by temptations in the world about us; Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

The Presider says the words of forgiveness.

Almighty God, who is all forgiveness, 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.

All: Amen.

The prayer of the day is said.

The Collect: Prayer of the Day

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Presider introduces a period of silent prayer with the words,

'Let us pray.'

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hearing and Responding to the Word of God

We listen to the reading(s)

First Reading: Amos 6.1a, 4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock.

and calves from the stall;
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6.6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these.

But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in

their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time — he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Then we stand with the Presider for the Gospel reading

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel Reading: Luke 16.19-31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.'

But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to

pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house – for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.'

He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'

At the end of the Gospel reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please sit for THE TALK

Please stand to say together for an **Affirmation of Faith**

Do you believe and trust in God the

Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All: We believe and trust in him.

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

All: We believe and trust in him.

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: We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All: This is our faith

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

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

This response is used:

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.

Please stand for The Peace

Amen.

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ and

share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: and also with you.



The Preparation of the Altar

The altar is prepared with bread and wine.

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 always right to give you thanks
God our Creator,
loving and faithful, holy and strong.
You made us and the whole universe,
and filled your world with life.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child. He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

All Holy, Holy, Holy.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world and clothe us with power from on high. And so we join the angels to celebrate and say:

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

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends.

He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body given for you.

Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.

He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you.

This is my blood, the new promise of

God's unfailing love.

Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

All: Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

All: Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

All: Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit:

one God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please sit for

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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

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.

All say:

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 Holy Communion

The Presider says

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
All are invited to God's table.

Everyone makes their way to the altar, to receive Holy Communion or a blessing Gluten-free wafers are available – please ask.

When all have received Holy Communion, We pray together

The Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,

keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Eternal God
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
Amen.

Please remain seated for **THE NOTICES.**

Going out to serve God

To a troubled world

All: peace from Christ.

To a searching world

All: love from Christ.

To a waiting world

All: hope from Christ.

The Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in Believing.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you and those you love always.

All: Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Minister departs

Please stay and join us for a drink and a biscuit and a chat together.

