# St. Peter's Church, Darwen

# EUCHARIST FOR THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

# **THE GATHERING**

# THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

# THE GREETING AND WELCOME

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

#### All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you:

All and also with you.

# **PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

God the Father, forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us there put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

or

We have too often exchanged the worship of the living God for idols of our own imaging. As we gather to offer our praises to the holy and undivided Trinity, and to worship him in spirit and in truth, let us call to mind our sins.

All 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. Amen.

# THE ABSOLUTION

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.

All Amen.

**THE GLORIA** 

Sung Gloria:

**Tune**: At the Name of Jesus

All Glory in the highest to the God of heaven!
Peace to all your people through the earth be given!
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring, singing Hallelujah to our heavenly king.

Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son! With the Holy Spirit you are Lord alone!

Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear, show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.

Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy One, seated now and reigning from your Father's throne: Lord and God, we praise you! Highest heaven adores: in the Father's glory, all the praise be yours!

# THE COLLECT

# The President introduces a period of silent prayer with the words:

Let us pray.

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### All Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**THE READINGS** 

First Reading: Genesis 32.22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.

Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.'

But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.'

So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.'

Then the man said,

'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.'

Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.'

But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him.

So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

This is the word of the Lord.

# All Thanks be to God.

# Second Reading: 2 Timothy 13.4-14.5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching.

For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths.

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

This is the word of the Lord.

# All Thanks be to God.

# **THE GRADUAL HYMN**

# **THE GOSPEL READING**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come.

# All Alleluia.

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

# All Glory to you, O Lord.

#### Luke 18.1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

He said,

'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.'

For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." '

And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says.

'And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them.

'And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

# At the end of the Gospel, we say:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

# All Praise to you, O Christ.

**THE SERMON** 

# THE 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.

#### or THE CREED

All 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.

# **THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

The following or another response will be used:

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

At the end we say together:

Merciful Father,

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

# **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

Please stand. THE PEACE

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver. The peace of the triune God be always with you:

# All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

#### THE OFFERTORY HYMN

#### THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

Yours, Lord is the greatness,

All the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own do we give you. Amen.

#### THE PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine.

#### All Amen.

or

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

# All Blessed be God for ever

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become for us the cup of salvation.

#### All Blessed be God for ever.

#### 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.

**Sung Eucharist Sanctus:** 

All Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God almighty!
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God almighty!
Who was and is, and is to come; holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

Blessed, blessed, blessed is he who comes, blessed is he comes in the Lord's name.

Blessed, blessed, blessed is he who comes, blessed is he comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the heights of heav'n. Blessed, blessed, blessed is the Lord.

The president recalls the Last Supper and one of these acclamations may be used.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

or -

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world,
You are the Saviour of the world.

The president continues with the prayer and leads into the doxology, to which all respond:

All Amen.

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.

# THE 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.

Tune: Repton

# Sung Eucharist Agnus Dei:

All O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts and take our sin away.
 O Lamb of God, your grace impart, and let our guilty fear depart, have mercy, Lord, we pray, have mercy, Lord, we pray.

O Lamb of God, our lives restore, our guilty souls release. Into our lives your Spirit pour and let us live for evermore in perfect heav'nly peace, in perfect heav'nly peace.

### THE INVITATION TO 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.

All Amen.

or

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.

#### THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls
and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

# THE NOTICES AND FINAL HYMN

# **THE 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 remains with you always. *All* Amen.

#### THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

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