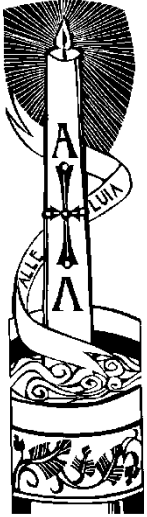




St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ



Second Sunday of Easter 23rd April 2023

Welcome to St Anne's today—it is great to have you with us. St Anne's is the local Church of England parish church, and we are a very diverse group of people. We hope that you will feel welcome in our worship today. If you are new, please do say hello—we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask. We will be happy to help. Our worship style is quite formal, but we hope relaxed- as we come to worship God in our midst.

All the words for the service will be on the screens at the front however, if you would prefer to have a printed copy in your hands, or a large print copy, there are hymn books and service sheets at the back.

During Easter season, the 50 days which lead from Easter to Pentecost we celebrate and give thanks for the victory of Christ over death and the powers that threaten to destroy our world. At the Easter Vigil we lit the Pascal Candle that symbolises Christ as the light of the world, bringing the light of God into the darkness and a great hymn of praise is sung. As the children of the new Covenant we renew our commitment to Christ by renewing our baptismal vows and we celebrate Christ's Resurrection. In this season particularly we proclaim our faith with joy and hope for all the world to hear and share.

A Priest will greet us. Please stand when the bell is rung. We sing our Processional Hymn as the Clergy enter. We sing together:
Hymn 1 - A brighter day is dawning

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of the (+) Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

We make our confession to God

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.

Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart

Silence is kept

**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.**

We sing together.

**Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

We are reminded of God's 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.**

We sing the Gloria in celebration of Christ's victory over death.

**Refrain: 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. Refrain:**

**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. Refrain:**

**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. Refrain.**

THE COLLECT

Let us pray:

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

The reading for the Third Sunday of Easter continues Peter's speech on the Day of Pentecost. In the first portion of the speech in Acts 2:22–35, Luke continues his practice from the Gospel of firmly rooting the Jesus story in the context of God's plan that unfolds in the Hebrew Bible. Like the first portion of the speech, themes which are present in the prologue in Acts 1:1-11 come to the fore in this passage, particularly baptism and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

(Acts 2:14a, 36-41)

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

THE SECOND READING

In this letter’s opening (1 Peter 1:1-12), the author has focused the audience’s attention on their present and future identity and reality as members of God’s family, which has been decided by God and established through Jesus Christ. In the transition to the body of the letter (1:13—5:11), the author now focuses the audience’s attention on their proper conduct as a result of their God-established identity and reality. Indeed, through the use of the initial “Therefore” in 1:13, the author is essentially explaining to the audience that because of who and whose you have been made by God, here is what your conduct is to entail.

A reading from the first letter of Peter

(1 Peter 1:17-23)

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were

ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

*We remain seated as we sing our processional **hymn 6 - Abide with me**. We stand during the final verse as the Gospel is processed to the centre of the Church*

Luke's narratives take us on the road frequently. A journey brings Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. A road is the narrative setting for the parable of the Good Samaritan. A road leads the prodigal back home to his father. Jesus sets his eyes toward Jerusalem and this travel narratives gives us very Lukan insights to Jesus. It is poignant then that the narrative of these two disciples on the road to Emmaus draws us to the conclusion of the Third Gospel. The story is a narrative wonder. Irony, misunderstanding, drama, a reveal: these are components of powerful story. Moreover, a number of Lukan themes are woven together in this narrative: table fellowship, hospitality, faithfulness, discipleship. The scene on this road augurs the future of Christ's church in the Lukan imagery. This will be a church on the move, sent out by a Jesus who walks alongside us even when we don't recognize him.

The Gospel is announced.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you O Christ

(Luke 24:13-35)

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning

within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ.

The Gospel is carried back to the Altar as we are seated for the Sermon.

After the sermon we keep a moments silence.

We stand to affirm our faith in the words of the creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the (+) resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

We kneel or sit as we prayer for the Church, the World and for this community. During the prayers we use the response:

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our Prayer.

Sometimes we will also use the words after we pray for those who have died:

Rest Eternal, Grant unto them O Lord
And may light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace
And rise in Glory

At the conclusion of the prayers we say.

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

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Priest will introduce the peace with suitable words...

The risen Christ came and stood among His disciples and said, Peace be with you. Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia! The peace of the risen Christ be always with you **and also with you. Alleluia!**

The Lord is risen
He is risen indeed.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share the peace with those around us until the offertory Hymn is announced. We sing the offertory **hymn 533 Now the green blade riseth** during which a collection is taken.*

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise. As we are fed with the bread of heaven may we know your resurrection power; through Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe,
you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The preface continues until we sing.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

After the Consecration :

Great is the mystery of faith

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we sing **Amen.**

We join in the prayer that Jesus taught his friends to say in our preferred version and language.

**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 president breaks the consecrated bread.

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
give us this bread always.**

We sing the Agnus Dei.

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

The Elevation

Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord (+) I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the
word and I shall be healed.**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

*We receive communion. All who would normally receive are welcome to, and you may choose if you are ready to receive the chalice. We receive God's grace in one kind or two. **(Please do not intinct (dip))**. You may also like to come forward for a blessing; and you may wish to light a candle. During communion we listen to David play.*

At the end of communion, the priest will lead us in a period of silence, and then a short prayer:

Let us pray:

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We listen to the notices about our community life.

The Dismissal *(please stand) as we receive God's Blessing.*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

We remain standing to sing our final hymn 638 - Rejoice the Lord is King during which the clergy depart.

Please do join us downstairs for refreshments and conversation.

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

Laurence's Larder

As you know Laurence's Larder is back in full swing serving meals every Thursday and providing food bags as well. They continue to welcome Tuna but can also use **sardines and long life milk** – though any non-perishable everyday food items are great!

Looking forward to the Coronation

The Coronation of King Charles will take place on the weekend of the 6th May. While all the details have not yet be published we have planned the following activities here at St Anne's.

Saturday 6th May We will stream the Coronation Service in Church with some light refreshments. Come and watch this event with others.

Sunday 7th May Our worship will have a Coronation Theme, with prayers reflecting the events of the weekend. A Celebration Brunch will then be served after the 10am Service.

Finance—St Anne's

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. In February we raised £1950. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

Message from Mother Christine

I would like to give my heart felt thanks for your generous gift marking ten years as Vicar of St Anne's. It is a such a privilege to be part of this lovely community and I am very grateful! Thankyou!!!



For our prayers— Peter, Rhona, Floret, John, Kathleen, Josephine, Harriet, May, Neil, Tristan, Mavis, Hada, Kay, Comfort, Joyce, Jean, Peter, Pearl, John, Cecilia and Ruth. We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Janet Harris, Edith Bowden, Barny Joel, Rufina Rivera and Joyce Wilson.

Services during the week 23rd April 2023

Tuesday	8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel and on Zoom
Thursday	8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel
Friday	8.30 Morning Prayer in chapel
Sunday 30th	9 am Morning Prayer in Chapel and Zoom
<i>Easter 4</i>	10am Sung Mass with Sunday School

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