

# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity 13<sup>th</sup> August 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 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, or a hymn books, they are on the landing.

A Priest will greet us. Please stand when the bell is rung. We sing our Processional **Hymn 52** - At the Name of Jesus omitting verses 3 and 4 as the Clergy enter.

## The Gathering

We meet in the name of God the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

The President will introduce the service and then leads us in our confession God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

#### 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 us, (+) pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

We sing our praise in the words of the Gloria **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

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer and then says: Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

#### Liturgy of the Word (please sit)

## We hear a reading from the Old Testament

The prophet Elijah's life is in danger, and he is in retreat. He is despondent and has a death wish. Eventually, he finds that despite his fears that only he is left among God's prophets and is experiencing feelings of abandonment, God is present with him and provides for his needs. This doesn't mean that Elijah's prophetic ministry becomes any easier even after the threat has abated.

A Reading from the First Book of Kings (1 Kings 19:9-18)

At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **Our Second reading**

This text occurs in the midst of a longer argument Paul develops that addresses the place of Judeans in his soteriological schema, an argument that begins in 9:1 and runs to the end chapter 11. Paul is attempting to reconcile the promises made to Judeans through Abraham with his own understanding of the Christ event that sees salvation extended to non-Judeans outside of obedience to the Mosaic law. Having argued that God has opened things up to non-Judeans (Romans 9:1-29) Paul now argues that it is up to each person to choose God, whether or not they are Judean, yet his concern focuses on trying to show why it is that Judeans can claim the salvation that comes via faith rather than salvation that comes through following Mosaic law. Thus, in this section Paul expands and explains his claim in 10:4 that "Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes."

A reading from the letter to the Romans (Romans 10:5-15)

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

We sing our Gradual **Hymn 321 – How sweet the name of Jesus sounds** during which the Gospel is processed

The Gospel is announced.

It is among the masses in Galilee that Jesus commences his healing and teaching ministry.

Jesus' popularity as a man who can heal whatever ails a person spreads beyond the Galilean borders. Jesus' newly acquired celebrity attracted enormous crowds; the crowds consisted of the infirm and their caregivers and friends, as well as curious, fascinated, and antagonistic fans and tagalongs (Matthew 4:23-25; 8:1-4, 19-22; 9:14). Jesus will develop ambivalence toward the constant press of crowds, oscillating between engaged compassion and crowd-fatigue. Most healer-teacher-preachers are energized and encouraged when the crowds show up to receive the gifts of their vocation, but all humans have limits and need boundaries, space, and time for self-care apart from the crowds and from their inner circle of confidants. Jesus was craving this kind of reprieve immediately before his disciples are haunted by him walking on the stormy sea (Matthew 14:13, 22).

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

## (Matthew 14:22-33)

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

*The Gospel is carried back to the Altar. We sit to listen to the sermon. After the sermon silence is kept.* 

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

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. 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 hear us Lord graciously hear us

We may also use the response:

Rest Eternal Grant unto them O Lord **And let light perpetual shine upon them** May they rest in peace **And rise in glory** 

At the end of the prayers we say:

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

Liturgy of the Sacrament (please stand) 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. And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace in a manner that is comfortable to you.

We share the peace with those around us in a way we are comfortable until the offertory Hymn is announced. We sing the offertory Hymn **275** – **Guide me O thou great redeemer** during which a collection is taken.

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. **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. **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

Praise to you, Lord Jesus: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we join the priest saying: Amen.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father

We receive communion, during which we listen to Sam play. All who are baptised are welcome to receive communion. We receive God's grace in one kind or two, so we ask that you don't dip the bread (host) into the chalice). You may also like to come forward for a blessing.; and you may wish to light a candle.

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

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**  We pray together 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.

We listen to the notices about our community life.

The Dismissal (please stand)

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

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of the (+) Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 

*We sing our final hymn* **422 – Lead us Heavenly Father Lead us** *during which the clergy depart.* 

Please do join us downstairs for morning tea.

Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary

# Finance – St Anne's

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. In June we raised £1850. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

# Laurence's Larder

As you know Laurence's Larder serves meals and food bags. They continue to welcome Tuna but can also use **sardines and long-life milk** – though any non-perishable everyday food items are great!

# Queen's Park Day 2023

Queen's Park Day is on the 17<sup>th</sup> September. We need to ensure that we have things to sell as well as people to help. From the beginning of August there will be a sign-up sheet to help out at QPD. We also need to be collecting good quality clothes and toys to sell, paperback books, and we will be looking for people to make cakes ready for the 17<sup>th</sup>.



*For our prayers* – Guy and Renate, AnneMarie and Marion, Kathleen, Emma, Peter and Rhona, Florret, John and Josephine, Harriet, May, Mavis, 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 Tricia Harris, Lionel Gubbins, Fredrick Grant, Marjorie Bray, Melvina Akers and Theodora Gordon.

Services during the week 13th August 2023<br/>No Public Morning Prayer until Thursday 7th SeptemberFriday 18th2pm Tea and Chat then in recess till 8th SeptemberSunday 20th9 am Morning Prayer in Chapel and Zoom11th after10am Sung MassTrinityOffice: 020 76043053

website: www.st-annes-brondesbury.org.uk email: stannesnw6@gmail.com