THE HOLY EUCHARIST

on the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 6 October 2024 | 9.00am | Hymns and Baptism Liturgy

The Opening Hymn



1. We plough the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand: he sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft, refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love. 2. He only is the maker of all things near and far; he paints the wayside flower, he lights the evening star; the winds and waves obey him, by him the birds are fed; much more to us, his children, he gives our daily bread. *Refrain*

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3. We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food. No gifts have we to offer for all thy love imparts, but that which thou desirest, our humble, thankful hearts. *Refrain*

Words: Matthias Claudius (1740-1815) tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-78) Music: WIR PFLÜGEN Melody by J. A. P. Schulz (1747-1800) Harmony by J. B. Dykes (1823-76) When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter and our tongue with songs of joy.

Then said they among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.'

The Lord has indeed done great things for us, and therefore we rejoiced.

Restore again our fortunes, O Lord, as the river beds of the desert.

Those who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed, will come back with shouts of joy, bearing their sheaves with them.

Psalm 126

§ The service continues with the Gospel in the readings and notices sheet.

THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM

The Presentation

§ Following the Gospel, the priest invites the parents, Godparents and those to be baptised to gather at the front of church. The priest then addresses the parents:

What do you ask of the Church of God?Parents We ask that this child may be baptised.

What name have you given your child?

- § The parents tell the priest the child's name.
- § The priest continues:

The baptism of its new members is an occasion of great joy for the Christian Church. By water and the Spirit, we are reborn as God's children, and are made followers of Christ, members of his body, the Church, and inheritors of the kingdom of heaven. Will you accept these things for [N]?

Parents We will.

In asking for [N] to be baptised, you are accepting the responsibility of bringing them up as a Christian. In caring for them, will you help them to keep God's commandments by loving God and neighbour as Christ has taught us? Will you pray for them, and draw them by your own example into the community of faith?

Parents With the help of God, we will.

§ The priest addresses the godparents:

Will you support and help [N]'s parents in doing these things?

Godparents With the help of God, we will.

§ The priest addresses the whole congregation:

Will you welcome [N] and do your best to uphold them in their life in Christ?All With the help of God, we will.

§ The priest addresses the parents and godparents:

You have declared your wish for [N] to be baptised. We therefore now invite you to respond to Christ's call.

Do you turn to Christ? I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins? I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil? I renounce evil.

Almighty Father, you sent your Son into the world to destroy the powers of darkness. Hear our prayer for these children: deliver them from evil, give them light and joy and fill them with your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Signing with the Cross

By his cross and precious blood, our Lord Jesus Christ has redeemed the world. He has told us that, if any want to become his followers, they must deny themselves, take up their cross and follow him day by day.

§ The sign of the cross is made on the forehead of each child who is to be baptised.

[N], I sign you with the sign of the cross and claim you for our Saviour Jesus Christ.

§ When all the children to be baptised have been signed with the cross, the priest continues:

Never be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All Fight valiantly against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life. Amen.

The Profession of Faith

§ The priest addresses the parents and godparents:

We invite you now to profess the Christian faith.

Do you believe in God the Father, the Creator of all? I believe and trust in God the Father.

Do you believe in his Son Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the world? I believe and trust in God the Son.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life? I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit. § The priest addresses the congregation:

This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

§ The priest leads the baptismal party to the font and the congregation turns to face them.

The Blessing of the Baptismal Water

We give thanks to you, O God:

All we bless your holy name.

For your gift of water to nourish and sustain all life:

All we give you thanks and praise.

Through the waters of the sea you led the children of Israel from slavery to freedom:

All we give you thanks and praise.

At his baptism, your Son Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit:

All we give you thanks and praise.

Through the power of that same Spirit, sanctify this water that your children who are washed in it may be united with Christ in his death and resurrection. Cleanse and deliver them from all sin; bring them to new birth in the family of your Church and make them inheritors of your kingdom: through Jesus Christ our Lord whom, by the power of the Spirit, you raised to live with you for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

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The Baptism

§ The priest takes and baptizes each child by name, saying:

[N], I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

§ The priest may anoint the child on the crown of the head with Chrism, saying:

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour upon you the riches of his grace. As Christ was anointed priest, prophet and king, may you daily be conformed to his image.

All **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

§ The priest or a member of the congregation may give a lighted candle to each of the newly baptised.

You have received the light of Christ; Walk in this light all the days of your life. *All* Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father. giftaid it

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The Offertory Hymn



All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all.

1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, he made their glowing colours, he made their tiny wings: *Refrain*

2. The purple headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky: *Refrain*

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

3. The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, he made them every one: *Refrain*

4. He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God almighty, who has made all things well: *Refrain*

Music: ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

The Closing Hymn



1. Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom the world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessèd peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

Words: Nun danket alle Gott Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-78) 3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore, for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Music: NUN DANKET Melody in J. Crüger's Praxis Pietatis Melica (c. 1647) Harmony chiefly from Mendelssohn's Lobgesang (1840)



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