

**St Paul's Church, Ansdell and Fairhaven**

**21<sup>st</sup> November 2021, 10:30am**

**The Sunday next before Advent**

**Christ the King**

**Holy Communion**

### **Greeting**

Grace and peace  
from God our Father,  
and from the Lord Jesus Christ,  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*cf 1 Cor 1:2*

### **Welcome**

***Come praise and glorify our God,***  
**the Father of our Lord.**

**In Christ he has in heav'nly realms  
his blessings on us poured;  
for pure and blameless in his sight  
he destined us to be  
and now we've been adopted through  
his Son eternally**

***To the praise of your glory,  
to the praise of your mercy and grace,  
to the praise of your glory,  
you are the God who saves.***

**Come praise and glorify our God,  
who gives his grace in Christ.  
In him our sins are washed away,  
redeemed through sacrifice.  
In him God has made known to us  
the myst'ry of his will  
that Christ should be the head of all,  
his purpose to fulfil.**

**Come praise and glorify our God  
for we've believed the Word  
and through our faith we have a seal:  
the Spirit of the Lord.  
The Spirit guarantees our hope  
until redemption's done,  
until we join in endless praise  
to God, the Three in One.**

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### **Collect**

Eternal Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne  
of heaven  
that he might rule over all things as Lord and  
King:  
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit  
and in the bond of peace,  
and bring the whole created order to worship at  
his feet;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### **Reading**

**1 Corinthians 6:1-11 (p1147)**

*At the end*

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

### **Sermon**

### **Creed**

**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.**

### **Prayers**

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

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

### **Confession**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:  
therefore let us keep the feast,  
not with old leaven,  
nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness,  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and  
truth.

*1 Cor 5:8-9*

Let us confess our sins.

You call us to be united;  
but there are divisions among us.

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

You call us to receive your wisdom;  
but we have sought the wisdom of this world.

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

You call us to boast in you alone;  
but we have boasted in ourselves.

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

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.**

### **The Peace**

God, the author of peace, has called us to peace.  
*cf 1 Cor 7:15; 14:33*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**How deep the Father's love for us,  
how vast beyond all measure,  
that he should give his only Son  
to make a wretch his treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss –  
the Father turns his face away,  
as wounds which mar the Chosen One  
bring many sons to glory.**

**Behold the Man upon a cross,  
my sin upon his shoulders;  
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held him there  
until it was accomplished;  
his dying breath has brought me life –  
I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything,  
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
his death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from his reward?  
I cannot give an answer;  
but this I know with all my heart –  
his wounds have paid my ransom.**

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## The Communion

The Lord is here.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right,  
it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For you are the one and only God:  
through the one Lord Jesus Christ  
you have made all things;  
and by the one Holy Spirit  
you have made us to be one body in Christ

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

In you, O Father, do we glory,  
and in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord:  
for through him you have given us all things.  
You have revealed him to be wisdom for us;  
our righteousness,  
sanctification, and redemption.  
In his name you have washed us,  
sanctified us, and justified us by your Spirit.  
Through him you have graciously enriched us,  
so that we lack no spiritual gift  
for the strengthening of his body, the church.

In the same night that he was betrayed,  
he took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Father,  
in remembrance of the death of our Lord Jesus  
Christ,  
his burial, his resurrection on the third day,  
and in expectation of his coming again,  
we offer you through him this our sacrifice of  
praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that, by your Holy Spirit,  
this bread may be to us  
the communion of the body of our Lord Jesus  
Christ,  
and this cup of wine the communion of his blood.

Cause us, who share this one bread,  
to be one in mind, speech, and judgment.  
Distribute among us, who drink of this one cup,  
the several gifts of the one Spirit,  
that we may serve and care for one another.  
Strengthen us, who receive this food,  
so that we may be blameless in the day of  
Christ's coming;  
and grant that, as in eating and drinking,  
so in all things that we do,  
we may glorify you:

through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

**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.**

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

*Prayer after communion*

Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of  
good works, may by you be plenteously  
rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**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.**

**You're the Word of God the Father,  
From before the world began;  
Every star and every planet  
Has been fashioned by Your hand.  
All creation holds together  
By the power of Your voice:  
Let the skies declare Your glory,  
Let the land and seas rejoice!**

***You're the Author of creation,  
You're the Lord of every man;  
And Your cry of love rings out  
Across the lands.***

**Yet You left the gaze of angels,  
Came to seek and save the lost,  
And exchanged the joy of heaven  
For the anguish of a cross.  
With a prayer You fed the hungry,  
With a word You stilled the sea.  
Yet how silently You suffered  
That the guilty may go free.**

**With a shout You rose victorious,  
Wresting victory from the grave,  
And ascended into heaven  
Leading captives in Your wake.  
Now You stand before the Father  
Interceding for Your own.  
From each tribe and tongue and nation  
You are leading sinners home.**

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### **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 remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**