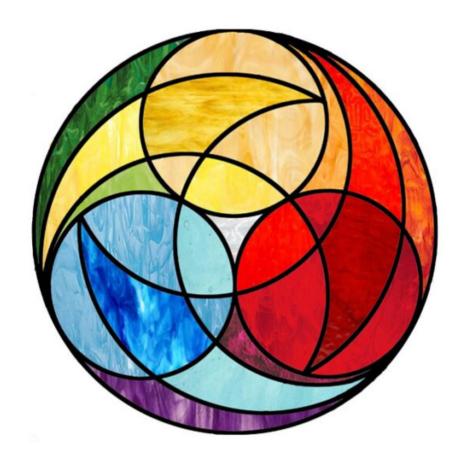
## **Parish of Central Windsor**

## **SUNG EUCHARIST**

12th October 2025



A warm welcome to St Stephen & St Agnes Church for our service today.

On most Sundays we offer Sunday Club during the service.
Children are welcome to gather at the front of the church
after the Collect on page 4 before they go out to their activities
with our Sunday Club leaders.

If you have babies or small children with you, you are welcome to stay in church. Please don't be embarrassed if they cry or make a noise.

#### Please stand for:

#### **OPENING HYMN**

Be thou my guardian and my guide, and hear me when I call; let not my slippery footsteps slide, and hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell, thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin, and outward things are strong, do thou, O Lord, keep watch within, and save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray, and feel that I am frail; that if the tempter cross my way, yet he may not prevail.

Isaac Williams (1802-1865)

#### THE GREETING

The priest says

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

All Amen.

The priest greets the people The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Please sit for:

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANY NOTICES

Please stand for:

#### PRAYER OF PENITENCE

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

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
to the glory of your name.
Amen

The Kyrie Eleison is sung:

All Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy. Christ, have mercy, Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Please remain standing for:

#### **A**BSOLUTION

The priest says

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.

## Please remain standing for:

## THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All 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.

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.

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

#### THE COLLECT

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words:

Let us pray

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### All Amen

The Sunday Club are invited to gather together at the front of the church before going to their activities.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for:

First Reading

## 2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c

5 1 Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. 2Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. 3She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter Naaman had brought him, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. 10 Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' 11 But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! 12 Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. 13 But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' 14So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. 15 Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.'

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 111**

The congregation is invited to join in with the Response

## The fear of the Lord, the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Alleluia. I will give thanks to the Lord with / my whole heart, in the company of the faithful and in the / congregation. The works of the / Lord are great, sought out by all / who delight in them. **Response** 

His work is full of majes / ty and honour and his righteousness en / dures for ever. He appointed a memorial for his mar / vellous deeds; the Lord is gracious and full of / compassion. **Response** 

He gave food to / those who feared him; he is ever mindful / of his covenant. He showed his people the power / of his works in giving them the heritage / of the nations. **Response** 

The works of his hands are / truth and justice; all his command / ments are sure.
They stand fast for e / ver and ever; they are done in / truth and equity. **Response** 

He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his cove / nant for ever; holy and awesome / is his name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have / those who live by it; his praise en / dures for ever. **Response** 

#### SECOND READING

## 2 Timothy 2.8-15

2<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; <sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself. <sup>14</sup> Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand for:

#### GRADUAL HYMN

Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him; praise him angels in the height; sun and moon, rejoice before him; praise him, all ye stars of light. Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed; laws which never shall be broken for their guidance he hath made.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious;
never shall his promise fail;
God hath made his saints victorious;
sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation;
hosts on high, his power proclaim;
heaven and earth, and all creation,
laud and magnify his Name!

Foundling Hospital Collection c1796
Psalm148

Please remain standing for:

GOSPEL READING

When the Gospel is announced the reader says or sings:

Alleluia, alleluia. Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon our path **Alleluia, alleluia** 

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

#### Luke 17.11-19

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17 <sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him.

And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

At the end the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit for:

**SERMON** 

THE APOSTLES CREED

The priest says

Let us declare before God the faith of the church in which, we pray, we may all find grace to grow.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 Please sit or kneel for:
Prayers of Intercession

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Lord hear us

All Lord graciou

Lord graciously hear us

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Chris.

Amen.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE ARE PUBLISHED

#### THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand for:

THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

You are invited to exchange a sign of peace with your neighbour.

The offertory collection will be brought to the altar to be blessed. It will be used for the ministry, mission and outreach of the church. Please consider using the Gift Aid envelopes if you are able to do so..

Have you considered regular giving through the Parish Giving Scheme? It is very easy to do and is the most efficient method of giving. Details are in the weekly Keeping Us in Touch leaflet or can be accessed via this QR code.

One off donations can also be made this way.

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun does his successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where e'er he reigns: the prisoner leaps to lose his chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name like sweet incense shall arise with every morning sacrifice.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honours to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) Psalm 72

#### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. The priest takes the bread and wine.

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

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

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you and also with you.

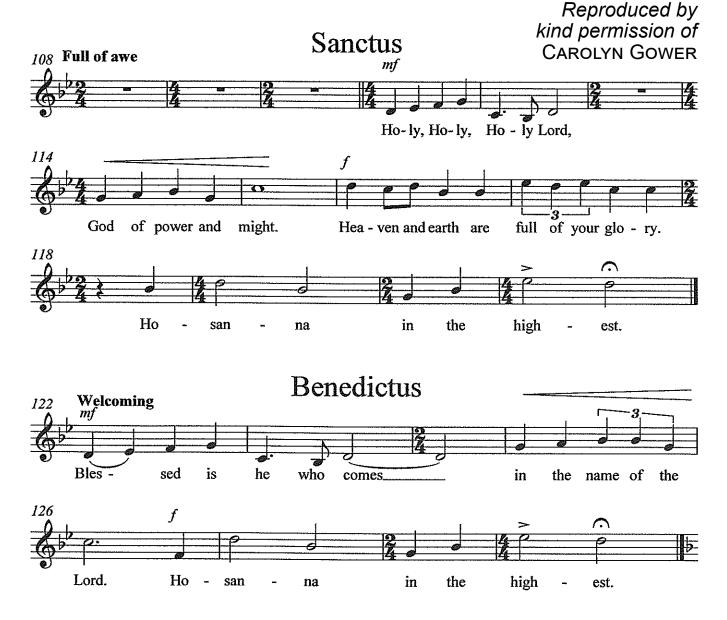
Lift up your hearts.

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.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

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



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, 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.

Great is the mystery of faith

**Christ has died:** 

All

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Stephen, St Agnes, St John the Baptist, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, 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.

## All Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Please feel free to use either the traditional or the contemporary version as we pray together

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Our Father, who art in heaven, All
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.

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.

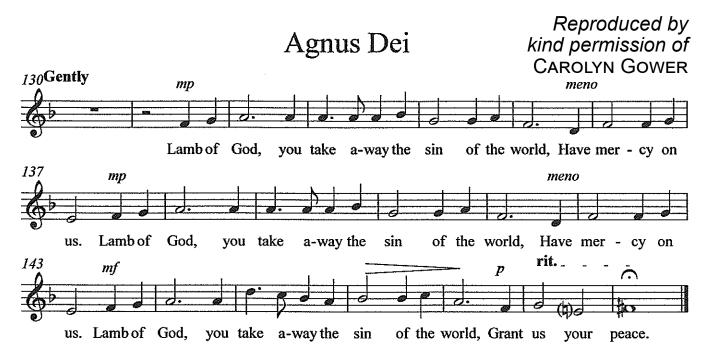
#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated 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.



#### GIVING OF COMMUNION

The priest says 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.

If you are confirmed or a communicant member of the Church of England or any other Christian church, you are welcome to receive communion with us this morning. Otherwise, you are warmly invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Please bring the service booklet with you or simply bow your head as you approach the altar so we know you wish to receive a blessing.

Gluten free wafers are available on request.

During the administration of communion the following will be sung:

- 1. Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.
  Come bow before him now with reverence and fear; in him no sin is found we stand on holy ground, be still for the spirit of the Lord, the Holy One is here.
- 2. Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned. How awesome is the sight our radiant King of light! Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
- 3. Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place; He comes to cleanse and heal to minister his grace no work too hard for him, in faith receive from him. Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

David J. Evans b1957

Anthem: King of Glory (JS Bach, arr. Harris)

#### PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### All 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

Members of Sunday Club are invited to show their work to the congregation

## Please stand for:

#### THE DISMISSAL

The priest says

#### 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 remain with you always.

## All Amen.

## **Final Hymn**

- 1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mother's 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 in the next.

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.

**for thus it was, is now,**Martin Rinkart (1586-1649)

and shall be evermore. tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

The priest says:

All

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

Please stay for refreshments which will be served after the service.

If you are visiting today or attending for the first time, we hope that you have felt "at home" here, that you will be refreshed by today's service of worship and that you will return in the future.

We shall be delighted if you decide to make our church community your spiritual home.

You are welcome to take this service sheet away with you for private reflection or to give to a friend.

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith, please ask! You can also find out more by following the "Our Faith" link on the Church of England website: <a href="https://www.churchofengland.org">www.churchofengland.org</a>

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