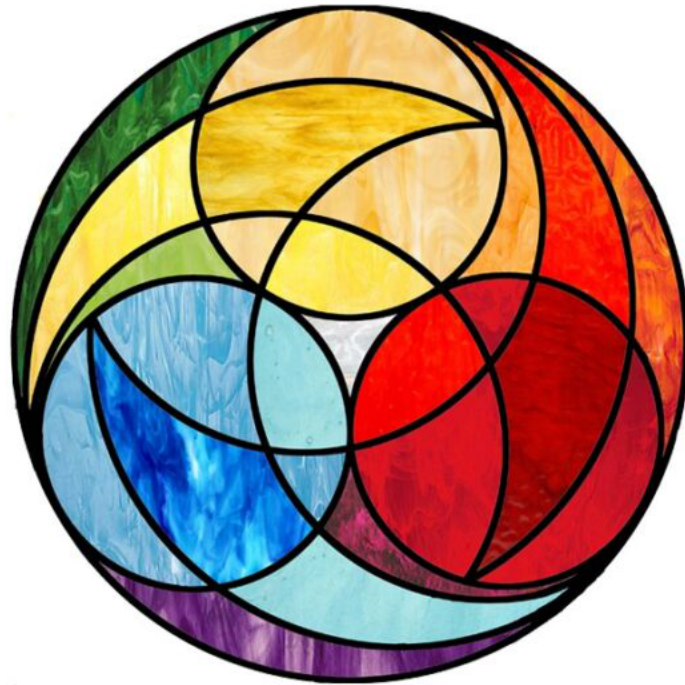


The Church of England  
in Central Windsor

# SUNG EUCCHARIST

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024

**Second Sunday before Advent**



**A warm welcome to Windsor Parish Church  
for our service today**

On most Sundays we offer Sunday Club during the service.  
All children are welcome to gather at the back of the church after the  
Collect on page 4

Please don't feel embarrassed if babies and small children cry or  
make a noise.

*Please stand for:*

## **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:*

## **OPENING HYMN**

**Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
he whose word cannot be broken  
formed thee for his own abode.  
On the Rock of ages founded,  
what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.**

**See the streams of living waters,  
springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters,  
and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint, while such a river  
ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
grace, which like the Lord, the giver,  
never fails from age to age.**

**Saviour, if of Zion's city  
I, through grace, a member am,  
let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name.  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
all his boasted pomp and show;  
solid joys and lasting treasure  
none but Zion's children know**

*Please remain standing for:*

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'  
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*cf Matthew 4.17*

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:  
Lord have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

You are loving to all  
and your mercy is over all your creation:  
Christ have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

Your faithful servants bless your name  
and speak of the glory of your kingdom:  
Lord have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

*The Kyrie Eleison is said:*

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

## ABSOLUTION

*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.**

## 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

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All*      **Amen**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please sit for:*

### FIRST READING

#### **Daniel 12.1–3**

In the third year of King Cyrus a word was revealed to Daniel.

12<sup>1</sup> 'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.'

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*      **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 16 vv1-7

*The congregation is invited to join in with the Response*

***In your presence, O Lord, is the fullness of joy***

Preserve me O God, for in you have I / taken refuge.  
I have said to the Lord, 'you are my Lord,  
all my good de / pends on you.'  
All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are no / ble in heart. **Response**

Though the idols are legion that ma / ny run after,  
their drink offerings of blood I / will not offer,  
neither make mention of their names up / on my lips. **Response**

The Lord himself is, my portion / and my cup,  
in your hands alone / is my fortune.  
My share has fallen in a fair land;  
indeed, I have a / goodly heritage. **Response**

I will bless the Lord who has gi / ven me counsel,  
and in the night watches he in / structs my heart.  
I have set the Lord always before me;  
he is my right hand; I / shall not fall. **Response**

## SECOND READING

### Hebrews 10.11–14, 19–25

10 <sup>11</sup>Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', <sup>13</sup>and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.'<sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for:*

## **GRADUAL HYMN**

**Praise we now the word of grace;  
may our hearts its truth embrace:  
from its pages may we hear  
Christ our teacher, speaking clear.**

**May the gospel of the Lord  
everywhere be spread abroad,  
that the world around may own  
Christ the King, and Christ alone**

*Please remain standing for:*

## **GOSPEL READING**

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

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

### **Mark 13.1–8**

13 <sup>1</sup> As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!’ <sup>2</sup> Then Jesus asked him, ‘Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.’ <sup>3</sup> When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup> ‘Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?’ <sup>5</sup> Then Jesus began to say to them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup> When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.’

*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

*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*

*All*      Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*All*      Lord hear us  
**Lord graciously hear us**

*And at the end*

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

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please stand for:*

## THE PEACE

To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

*Colossians 3.14,15*

*All*

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

*If you give regularly via the collection when you attend Sunday worship in one of our churches, but are not with us every week, have you considered giving through the Parish Giving Scheme? It is very easy to do. Details are in the weekly Keeping Us in Touch leaflet or speak to any of our churchwardens*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

**The God of Abraham praise,  
who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of everlasting days,  
and God of love;  
Jehovah, great I AM,  
by earth and heaven confest:  
we bow and bless the sacred name  
for ever blest.**

**Though nature's strength decay,  
and earth and hell withstand,  
to Canaan's bounds we urge our way  
at his command:  
the watery deep we pass,  
with Jesus in our view;  
and through the howling wilderness  
our way pursue.**



The goodly land we see,  
with peace and plenty blest:  
a land of sacred liberty  
and endless rest;  
there milk and honey flow,  
and oil and wine abound,  
and trees of life for ever grow,  
with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord, our King,  
the Lord, our Righteousness,  
triumphant o'er the world of sin,  
the Prince of peace;  
on Sion's sacred height  
his kingdom he maintains,  
and, glorious with his saints in light,  
for ever reigns.

Before the Saviour's face  
the ransomed nations bow  
o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace  
for ever new;  
he shows his prints of love  
they kindle to a flame,  
and sound through all the worlds above  
the slaughtered Lamb

The whole triumphant host  
give thanks to God on high;  
'Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost'  
they ever cry;  
hail, Abraham's God and mine;  
(I join the heavenly lays)  
all might and majesty are thine,  
and endless praise.

#### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

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

To you we come, Father of lights,  
with angels and saints,  
where heaven and earth unite.  
May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread.

*All* **Amen**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*All* The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

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

*All* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**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:

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

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**All** **Christ has died:**  
**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 John the Baptist, St Stephen, St Agnes 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**

*Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven, 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*

*All* 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.

*All* 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**

*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.**

## **AGNUS DEI**

*All* **Jesus, Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us.  
Jesus bearer of our sins,  
Have mercy on us.  
Jesus redeemer of the world,  
Grant us peace.**

## **GIVING OF 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 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*

**Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,  
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,  
come into the daylight's splendour,  
there with joy thy praises render  
unto him whose grace unbounded  
hath this wondrous banquet founded;  
high o'er all the heavens he reigneth,  
yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.**

**Now I sink before thee lowly,  
filled with joy most deep and holy,  
as with trembling awe and wonder  
on thy mighty acts I ponder;  
how, by mystery surrounded,  
depths no mortal ever sounded,  
none may dare to pierce unbidden  
secrets that with thee are hidden.**

**Sun, who all my life dost brighten;  
light, who dost my soul enlighten;  
joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;  
fount, whence all my being floweth:  
at thy feet I cry, my Maker,  
let me be a fit partaker  
of this blessed food from heaven,  
for our good, thy glory, given.**

**Jesus, Bread of life, I pray thee,  
let me gladly here obey thee;  
never to my hurt invited,  
be thy love with love requited;  
from this banquet let me measure,  
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;  
through the gifts thou here dost give me,  
as thy guest in heaven receive me.**

**ANTHEM:** Lead me, Lord (*SS Wesley*)

**PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION**

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament  
you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last  
to that fullness of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

*All* **Amen.**

*All* **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*

**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

Oft in danger, oft in woe,  
onward, Christians, onward go:  
bear the toil, maintain the strife,  
strengthened with the bread of life.

Onward Christians, onward go,  
join the war and face the foe;  
will ye flee in danger's hour?  
Know ye not your Captain's power?

Let not sorrow dim your eye,  
soon shall every tear be dry;  
let not fears your course impede,  
great your strength, if great your need.

Let your drooping hearts be glad:  
march in heavenly armour clad:  
fight, nor think the battle long,  
soon shall victory wake your song.

Onward then in battle move,  
more than conquerors ye shall prove;  
though opposed by many a foe,  
Christian soldiers, onward go.

*The priest says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*      **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: [www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org)**

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