

Sung Eucharist
Sunday 4th April 2021
at 10.00 am
Easter Day



Truro
Cathedral

President and Preacher:
The Bishop of Truro

From the Dean

As lockdown in the UK begins to ease (although we should be mindful that there is a third wave of coronavirus hitting mainland Europe and the situation in other parts of the world is as serious as ever), it may be that we can begin to look forward with some semblance of hope. There is still plenty of ifs, buts and maybes circulating, but a firmer forward direction may be possible.

This brings its own creative tension. We have had many people say in response to Covid, 'I can't wait to get back to normal,' whilst others, and in some cases the same people (!), have said 'we can't go back to the way things were.' Both have a real point. Covid knocked our familiar props right out of the ground, and the consequences of lockdown have had many detrimental effects, economic, social, personal and psychological. It is only natural to desire a little bit of the familiar being restored.

But the impact of Covid has had an impact on how we see ourselves in relation to the world around us, and the way we were leading our lives, in an over-consumerist way, was having huge detrimental effects on the environment. We needn't rehearse those here. Many commentators have been talking about leading responsible lives, adjusting to changing circumstances, and so on. We simply cannot pick up where we left off, and therefore not going back to that will be an important consideration for both lifestyles and policy-makers alike in the years following Covid.

This equal and opposite pulling in different directions, back to a familiar pattern, but forward to a more responsible way of life, is exactly what Easter is all about. The risen Jesus did two things essentially: he reassured the disciples that death had not overcome him, and that he was henceforward and forever alive. But he also declared that this was not a going back to an old way of life, but a new creation in which the values of the Kingdom of God would have a greater impact on the way people would henceforward relate to each other. The old dispensation would no longer do. So, there was a combination of the familiar and the new, the traditional and the radical, the same and the different.

This is the creative tension by which we should live all our lives. Yes, we do need the security and safety of being with the familiar; we all need our roots, we all need the loves of those close to us. But we also need to embrace future opportunities for new ways of seeing the world, of seeing God's creative abundance in all its glory. Actually, these twin compulsions

are not in opposition, but are complementary, achieving the fullness of relationship that is the hallmark of God's care for and love of the whole of his creation.

I hope and pray that this Easter-tide you may know the saving power of Jesus's Resurrection, and that this will be translated into even more flourishing relationships, with loved ones whom we may not have seen for months, and the stranger we have yet to meet.

Have a happy and blessed Easter.

Dean Roger.

THIS WEEK

5th April Monday in Easter Week	9.00	Holy Communion (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	9.30	Morning Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	3.00	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
6th April Tuesday in Easter Week	9.00	Holy Communion (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	9.30	Morning Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	3.00	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
7th April Wednesday in Easter Week	9.00	Holy Communion (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	9.30	Morning Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	3.00	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
8th April Thursday in Easter Week	9.00	Holy Communion (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	9.30	Morning Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	3.00	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
9th April Friday in Easter Week	9.00	Holy Communion (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	9.30	Morning Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	3.00	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
10th April Saturday in Easter Week	9.00	Holy Communion (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	9.30	Morning Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
	3.00	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)
Next Sunday 11th April: Second Sunday of Easter		
7.30 am	Morning Prayer BCP (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)	
8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP <i>Canon Alan Bashforth, Canon Chancellor</i>	
10.00 am	Sung Eucharist (<i>Live streamed</i>) <i>President and Preacher: The Dean</i>	
11.30 am	Sung Eucharist <i>President and Preacher: The Dean</i>	
4.00 pm	Evening Prayer (<i>St Mary's Aisle</i>)	

Please stand as a vergers leads the clergy to the altar.

Introit

'This joyful Eastertide' arr. By Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.
*Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain—but now is Christ arisen!*

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber:
Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.
*Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain—but now is Christ arisen!*

Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river:
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.
*Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain—but now is Christ arisen!*

Words: George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848 – 1934)

The Bishop of Truro says

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

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

The Bishop greets the people

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Words of welcome and introduction may be said.

Prayers of Penitence

The deacon invites all to confess their sins

Christ died to sin once for all, and he lives to God. Let us then renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and acknowledge our sins with a sincere and true heart.

You raise the dead to life in the spirit,
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the sinner,
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

You bring light to those in darkness,
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The Bishop 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

The choir sings the Gloria from the Mass in G minor by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi propter
magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus,
Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe, Domine Deus,
Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem
nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu:
in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

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.
Amen.

Please remain standing.

The Collect

The Bishop says the Collect, the special prayer for the day.

Let us pray

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading
Acts 10: 34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm 150
sung by the choir

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise him in the sound of trumpets.

Praise God in his holy place,
praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise him for his pow'rful deeds,
praise his surpassing greatness.

O praise him with the sound of trumpet,
praise him with lute and harp.
Praise him with timbrel and dance,
praise him with strings and pipes.

O praise him with resounding cymbals, cymbals,
praise him with clashing, with clashing of cymbals.
Let everything that lives and breathes
give praise to the Lord. Alleluia!

Give praise to the Father Almighty,
to his Son, Jesus Christ the Lord,
to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts,
both now and for ever. Amen.

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to

all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation
sung by the choir

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Gospel Reading
John 20: 1-18

The deacon says

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other

disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Bishop says an opening invocation or prayer, and then all sit.

Please stand

All **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 of Intercession

The deacon introduces the intercessions.

We pray to our Heavenly Father through his Son Jesus Christ, who has conquered death and is present with us to eternity.

Please sit or kneel

These responses may be used

All **Lord of all life** or **Lord, hear us.**
In your mercy, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

At the end of the prayers silence may be kept and the deacon may say the following or another appropriate collect

Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The Bishop introduces the Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Please sit while the altar is prepared but stand when the organ stops playing.

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Bishop says

The Lord be with you.

All **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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.
For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.
He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

The choir sings the Sanctus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra
gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

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

Please remain standing as the Bishop continues

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

The deacon says

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

The Bishop continues

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

Please remain standing.

The Lord's Prayer

The Bishop introduces the Lord's Prayer

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and so with faith and confidence
we pray:

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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop 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 Bishop says the following invitation to Communion.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

At the Distribution the Bishop says

The body of Christ.

The communicant replies each time Amen, and then receives.

The choir sings the Agnus Dei

**Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.**

**Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi:
dona nobis pacem.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Anthem

Hallelujah from 'The Messiah' by George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

**Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world
Is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ.
And he shall reign for ever and ever.
King of kings and Lord of lords. Alleluia!**

After Communion

Please stand

Let us pray

The Bishop says the Post Communion prayer.

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

The Bishop says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

God the Father,
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

All **Amen.**

God the Son,
who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

All **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The deacon says

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Please remain standing as the clergy depart.

Organ Voluntary

Toccata from Symphony No. 5 by Charles-Marie Widor (1844 – 1937)

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