

**CHARLTON BENEFICE**  
**SUNDAY OCTOBER 18th**  
**ST LUKE'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL**  
**LIVESTREAMED EUCHARIST**

We are welcomed to the service by Rosie

**Hymn – Brother, Sister, let me serve you**

President:        In the name of the Father,  
                         and of the Son,  
                         and of the Holy Spirit.  
                         **Amen.**

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

Liz welcomes and introduces the theme

We say together  
**Prayer of Preparation**

All:                Almighty God,  
                         to whom all hearts are open,  
                         all desires known,  
                         and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
                         cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
                         by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
                         that we may perfectly love you,  
                         and worthily magnify your holy name;  
                         through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayers of Penitence**

My sisters and brothers, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

All:                **Most merciful God,**

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

### **Absolution**

**President:** May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

### **The Gloria**

**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.  
Amen.

## **The Collect**

*The President introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.  
The Collect is said, and all respond*

Almighty God,  
you called Luke the physician,  
whose praise is in the gospel,  
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:  
by the grace of the Spirit  
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,  
give your Church the same love and power to heal;  
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.

**Amen**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

**Old Testament Reading** – read by Cecil

### **A reading from the Prophet Isaiah**

Strengthen the weak hands,  
and make firm the feeble knees.  
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
'Be strong, do not fear!  
Here is your God.  
He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.  
He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**New Testament Reading** – read by Harriet

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy

And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. 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. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  
if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he will also deny us;  
if we are faithless, he remains faithful—  
for he cannot deny himself.

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. 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. Avoid profane chatter, for it will lead people into more and more impiety, and their talk will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus,

This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn to greet the Gospel - We cannot measure how you Heal**

## **Gospel Reading** – read by Revd Jean

Alleluia, alleluia, we do not live by bread alone,  
But by every word that comes from the mouth of God

### **Alleluia**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, “Peace to this house!” And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.”’

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Sermon** – by Liz

*After the sermon there is a period of quiet reflection*

### **The Affirmation of Faith**

**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 – led by Naomi**

*Prayers are offered for*

- *the Church of Christ*
- *Creation, human society, the Sovereign and those in authority*

- *the local community*
- *those who suffer*
- *the communion of saints*

After each prayer ...

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy

**All: hear our prayer.**

After the final prayer ...

Intercessor: God of mercy,

**All: hear our prayer  
and make us one in heart and mind  
to serve you with joy forever.  
Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

President: 'Where two or three are gathered together  
in my name,' says the Lord, 'there am I in the midst of them.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### **Offertory Hymn – Alleluia, sing to Jesus**

### **Preparation of the Table**

#### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

President: The Lord be with you

**All: and also with you.**

President: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

President: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President: 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.**

President: 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.

**All:** Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died:**  
**Christ is risen:**  
**Christ will come again**

**President:** 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 St Luke and St Richard, St Thomas  
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**

President: Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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 president breaks the consecrated bread.*

President: 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.

The Church of which we are members is not defined by the walls of a building but by the Body of Christ. In making our communion spiritually, we are joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us, 'I am the Bread of Life'

## **Invitation to Communion**

**President:** God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All:** Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

## **Prayer before Distribution**

**All:** Most merciful Lord,  
your love compels us to come in.  
Our hands were unclean,  
our hearts were unprepared;  
we were not fit even to eat  
the crumbs from under your table.  
But you, Lord,  
are the God of our salvation,  
and share your bread with sinners.  
So cleanse and feed us  
with the precious body and blood  
of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that  
we,  
with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your  
kingdom. Amen.

**Communion Music – Hymn for St Luke's Day performed by Nicholas Bosworth**

## **Prayer after Communion**

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples  
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## **NOTICES**

### **Final Prayer**

**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 Blessing and Sending Out**

**President:        The Lord be with you**

**All:                and also with you.**

**President:        May the Father from whom every family**

in earth and heaven receives its name  
strengthen you with his Spirit  
in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell  
in your hearts by faith;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
come down upon you  
and remain with you always.  
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Final Hymn – O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

*Our worship is over: our service begins.*