THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF LAMBTON Holy Communion 3.11.2024

Processional Hymn **TiS 371** (Please stand if you are able) **God is gone up on high, with a triumphant noise; the clarions of the sky proclaim the angelic joys!** *Join all the earth, rejoice and sing; glory ascribe to glory's king.*

God in the flesh below, for us he reigns above: let all the nations know our Jesus' conquering love! *Join all the earth.....*

All power to our great Lord is by the Father given; by angel hosts adored, he reigns supreme in heaven. *Join all the earth....*

High on his holy seat he bears his righteous sway; his foes beneath his feet shall sink and die away. *Join all the earth...*

His foes and ours are one, Satan, the world, and sin; but he shall tread them down and bring his kingdom in: *Join all the earth...*

till all the earth, renewed in righteousness divine, with all the hosts of God in one great chorus join. *Join all the earth...*

John Darwall 1731-89 Charles Wesley 1707-88

Acknowledgement of Country

We gather on Awabakal land and acknowledge the Awabakal and Worimi people as the traditional custodians of this land.

We say together

We join our custodianship with theirs in honouring creation and acknowledge the elders, past, present and emerging.

Sentence

And a great multitude, from every nation and tribe and people and language, cried with a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' Revelation 7.10

The Priest greets the people.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: 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, 2

that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Invitation to Confession

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. *Silence may be kept*

Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us, Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**. Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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

Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love: grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

The Old Testament Reading Wisdom 3: 1-9 ...For the word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Reading 24

The New Testament Reading Revelation 21: 1-6a ... For the word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Hymn TiS 204 Come let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry,'to be exalted thus';'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,for he was slain for us.

Jesus is worthy to receive honour and power divine; and blessings more than we can give, be, Lord, for ever thine.

Let all creation join in one to bless the sacred name of him that sits upon the throne,

and to adore the Lamb.

Henry Lahee 1826-1912 Isaac Watts 1674-1748 alt.

The Gospel Reading John 11: 32-44

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ... Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

For the Gospel of the Lord **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ Sermon** *After the Sermon there may be a time of quiet reflection.*

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church. 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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate:

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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.

The Prayers of the People

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith: receive the prayers we offer.

Let us pray for peace and shared prosperity.

We give thanks for leaders who serve the common good. Give wisdom to those who have responsibility and authority in every land, that we may share with justice the resources of the world, and work together in trust.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our nation

We give thanks for this land and the diversity of its peoples. Grant that we may so honour one another that all may be enriched by our common heritage and freed from despair, poverty and exclusion.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the Church and its mission.

We give thanks for the good news of salvation for all people. Strengthen us for our work in the world, empower your Church to proclaim the gospel in service, word and sacrament. Unite in the truth all who confess your name, that we may live together in love to your glory.

Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Let us pray for ourselves and our community.

We give thanks for the fellowship of the communities in which we live and work. We commend to your keeping ourselves and each other, our families, those with whom we work and learn, our neighbours and our friends. Enable us by your Spirit to live in love for you and for one another.

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

Let us pray for those in need.

We give thanks that you are the God who brings mercy and wholeness. Comfort and heal, we pray, all who are in sorrow,

need, sickness, or any other trouble. Give to those who care for them wisdom, patience and gentleness and, to us all, your peace.

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

Let us give thanks for the faithful departed.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, and all your saints may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray,

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now

and forever. Amen

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3.16

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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Offertory Hymn MP 544

A thanksgiving offertory collection is received for the work of the Church.

Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me; place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. *Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see; open my eyes, illumine me,*

Spirit divine!

Open my ears that I may hear voices of truth Thou sendest clear; and while the wave-notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. *Silently now I wait...*

Open my mouth and let me bear tidings of mercy everywhere; open my heart and let me prepare love with Thy children thus to share, *Silently now I wait...*

Open my mind, that I may read more of Thy love in word and deed: what shall I fear while yet Thou dost lead? Only for light from Thee I plead. *Silently now I wait...*

Words and music: Clara Scott (1841-97) Music arranged Fred P Morris 10

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory And for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever!**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. And now we give you thanks because you have called us into the fellowship of all your saints, and set before us the example of their witness and the fruit of your Spirit in their lives. 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:

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.

Feel free to remain standing, to kneel or be seated.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,

this bread and wine,

and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,

we who eat and drink them

may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;

and when he had given you thanks

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,

and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant

shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, **For we all share in the one bread.**

Agnus Dei Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Reflection Hymn TiS 448 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to dwell with us in lowliness, our pattern and our King:

still to the lowly soul he will himself impart, and for his cradle and his throne chooses the pure in heart.

Lord, we your presence seek; this blessing now renew: give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple fit for you.

Melody by William Henry Havergal 1793-1870 from a chorale by Johann Balthasar König 1691-1758 John Keble 1792-1866 (VV. 1,3) and others

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God,

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we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us to grow in love and obedience that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you for ever.

God, the source of all holiness: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast in your kingdom.

Notices The Blessing

God give you grace to follow all the saints in faith and hope and love;

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

Recessional Hymn TiS 470

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days: a world without saints forgets how to praise. Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer, their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way: some need to withdraw, the better to pray;

some carry the gospel through fire and through flood: our world is their parish; their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints unpraised and unknown, who bear someone's cross or shoulder their own; they shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares: what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days: a world without saints forgets how to praise. In loving, in living, they prove it is true: their way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

Later form of German traditional melody 'Maria zu lieben' from the 'Paderborn Gesangbuch' 1765 Frederick Pratt Green 1903-

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

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