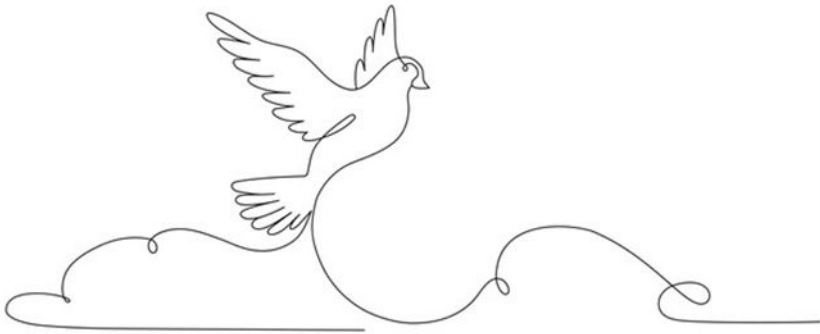




Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

Sung Eucharist

Pentecost with Holy Baptism



Welcome to St Mary's

Support our work

St Mary's is a charity which receives no funding from the government and is entirely dependent on donations and fees to keep its doors open, continue its work in the community, and maintain its buildings and outdoor spaces.

If you would like to donate to support us you can give during the service as giving plates are passed around. Alternatively, you can place your offering on the plate by the door as you leave or tap your contactless card or device, or give online by card or directly from your bank by scanning this QR Code with your phone's camera or by visiting **wkrk.uk/donate**.



If you'd like to give in some other way, find out about planned giving, or learn how we use donations then please ask any member of our team.

Accessible for everyone

We aim to be accessible for everyone. For more information on accessibility at St Mary's please see **wkrk.uk/access** or ask any member of our team.



Our stewards are here to help

Please follow all instructions from our stewards, especially during communion. If you need extra help during a service, or if you would need help to leave the building in an emergency, please let us know.

Digital order of service available

If you prefer, you can follow our order of service on your own phone or tablet. Just visit **wkrk.uk/oos** on your browser or scan this QR Code.



This service is streamed

We record and live-stream many of our services. If you'd prefer not to appear on camera, please let any member of our team know. You can find more information on streaming, privacy and your rights on our website at wkrk.uk/sp or by scanning this QR Code.



Communion is your choice

Communion is available as both bread and wine, but if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your seat. Receiving only the bread is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England.

Children welcome

We love having children at our services and we want them – and their families – to love being here. If your children need to move around or make noise during the service, please don't feel uncomfortable. We are glad to hear and see them; they are the future of the church!

Toys and activities are available in our Tots' Corner are near the main door, and children are welcome to make use of these either in this area or in their pew. This area is not supervised; children must be always supervised by a responsible adult.

Safeguarding

Our Parish Safeguarding team can be contacted at any time. You can talk to Rev'd Claire or to Janet Blenkinsop, our Parish Safeguarding Officer, you can email safeguarding@whitkirkchurch.org.uk, or you can find more information and contact details at wkrk.uk/safe.



Other services this week

Messy Church

Today at 4.00 pm

Said Eucharist

Wednesday 11 June at 10.00 am

Sanctuary

Thursday 12 June at 6.30 pm

Sung Eucharist for Trinity Sunday

Sunday 15 June at 10.00 am

Notices and events

Anointing

In the course of this service, anointing with Oil of Chrism will be offered. Pentecost is sometimes referred to as 'the birthday of the Church', marking the disciples' sending-out, inspired by the Holy Spirit, to 'make disciples of all nations' (Matthew 28.19). Oil of Chrism is the oil of discipleship, used after baptism and at confirmations and ordinations. It is therefore appropriate to use it on this day as we are sent out as disciples of Jesus for our own time and place. Just as we are marked on our foreheads with the sign of the cross on Ash Wednesday, as a sign of repentance and turning to Christ, so, as this season of remembering Jesus's death and resurrection draws to a close, we are marked with the sign of his cross and sent out in the power of the Spirit. If you would like to be anointed, come to the Holy Trinity Chapel, following the directions of the stewards, after receiving communion.

The Leeds South & East Food Bank: What's Needed?

The Leeds South & East Food Bank continues to be in urgent need of donations of food to help feed those in most need. In particular at the moment they are asking for **tinned potatoes, tinned fruit, UHT milk, tinned vegetables and biscuits.**

If you are able, you can donate by picking one of these items up in your weekly shop and dropping it in the box at the back of the church. You can find other ways to help, including donating money or your time, on their website at wkrk.uk/fbd. If you need the help of a foodbank yourself, see wkrk.uk/fbh.

Confirmations

Bishop Arun will be visiting Whitkirk to carry out confirmations on 19 October. If you would like to be confirmed at that service, have a word with Rev'd Claire.

Volunteers Week

The last week has been Volunteers Week, so we would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to everyone who volunteers in this church in any way, whether as a welcomer, a server, a chorister, a flower-arranger, a sacristan or vergier, a tea-/coffee-maker, behind the bar, in the office, on the PCC, in the churchyard, or in any other way. Your work is seen and appreciated. You are not only helping the mission of St Mary's but also serving God, and we thank God for you!

The Creeds: Pilgrim Course

Following our series of Lent Talks, marking the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea and the Nicene Creed, which we say almost every week at our Sunday Eucharist, we are going to run a short course looking at the Creed in small groups, allowing for lots of time for discussion and debate. The course will run through the second half of June and into July. Sign-up sheets are available today at the back of church. Please tick the times and days that you can manage and we will arrange groups according to how many people sign up and the times available. There will be an online group, so if you join us online you need not miss out. If you are not in church today to sign up for a group, please email vicar@whitkirkchurch.org.uk to let us know that you are interested in attending.

Sanctuary

This Thursday 12 June at 6.30 pm

St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

A new monthly contemplative Eucharist:

This week, a service for Pentecost

We are delighted to announce the launch of a new monthly service which will be take place at 6.30 pm on the second Thursday of every month, beginning on Thursday 12 June. 'Sanctuary' is a contemplative Eucharist, using Taizé-style music and silence to create space for prayerful reflection. Come along and find out more. Tell your friends. All are always welcome.

Concert Season: The Wesley Singers: Music & Mirth

This Saturday 14 June at 2.30 pm

St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

Our concert season continues as we welcome The Wesley Singers, a Methodist choir based in the Yorkshire West District. Founded in 1985, the choir hopes to bring joy and renewal through its Christian mission of music. Their concert programmes are generally based on church music, but also include secular items, solos, readings and humorous monologues. This year, the choir will celebrate its 40th anniversary. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be available in the Community Centre after the concert. Tickets are £7, available on the door or they can be purchased today in the Community Centre after this service.

Community Centre Spring Clean

Saturday 28 June at 9.00 am

St Mary's Church Whitkirk Community Centre

Could you help us spruce up the Community Centre? On Saturday 28 June we will be giving our beloved Community Centre a Spring Clean. If you're able to help (even if just for a short time during that period - you don't have to stay all morning), please sign up on the list available in the Community Centre after today's service. Many hands make light work! Thank you for your help.

For more information, see Amy Lyons.

Join us after the service for refreshments

You are warmly invited to join us for refreshments in our Community Centre after the service.

The Gathering

Our worship begins at the sound of the bell, please stand as the sacred ministers enter, during which the introit hymn is sung.

**Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

**Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.**

**And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.**

*Words: Italian, Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)
translated by Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890)
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Hymn Tune: DOWN AMPNEY*

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

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Introduction

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love.

We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross.
We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.
We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread.

We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord.

And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

Responsory

As we wait in silence,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we listen to your word,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your renewing,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your equipping,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your empowering,
fill us with your Spirit.

Silence is kept.

Gloria in Excelsis

**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 that the Spirit will work through our lives to bring Christ to the world'.

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all
together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there

came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it

is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

“In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall
be saved.”

Acts 2.1-21

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Hymn

Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. During the hymn a procession will make its way to the centre of the nave from where the Gospel for the day is read. To symbolise our desire to turn to Christ in our daily lives, at the end of the hymn we remain standing and turn to face the place where the Gospel is proclaimed.

**Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.**

**Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.**

**Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace:
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.**

**Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of Both, to be but One;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song:**

**‘Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.’
Amen.**

Words: John Cosin (1594-1672)

Music: ‘Proper Sarum Melody’ arranged Dom Andrew Moore (b. 1954)

Hymn Tune: VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS (MECHLIN)

Gospel Reading

An acclamation is sung by the choir.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus spoke to his disciples:

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you
from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from
the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to
testify because you have been with me from the
beginning.

‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning,
because I was with you. But now I am going to him who

sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Please sit after the preacher leads us in prayer.

Baptism

The president moves, with the candidate for baptism and her supporters, to the baptismal font.

Presentation of the Candidate

The candidate for baptism is presented to the congregation and the president asks:

Emily, do you wish to be baptised?

I do.

The president addresses the whole congregation:

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.

People of God, will you welcome Emily and uphold her in her new life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

The president addresses the baptism candidate:

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask Emily, and all those who have been baptised:

Do you turn away from sin?

I do.

Do you reject evil?

I do.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I do.

Do you trust in him as Lord?

I do.

Signing with the Cross

The president makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of the candidate for baptism, saying:

Emily, Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world, and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

Prayer over the Water

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

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

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ
was baptised in the river Jordan,
we thank you for the gift of water
to cleanse us and revive us.

Saving God,
Give us life.

We thank you that through the waters of the Red Sea
you led your people out of slavery
to freedom in the Promised Land.

Saving God,
Give us life.

We thank you that through the deep waters of death
you brought your Son,
and raised him to life in triumph.

Saving God,

Give us life.

Bless this water,
that your servants
may be made one with Christ
in his death and in his resurrection,
to be cleansed and delivered from all sin.

Saving God,

Give us life.

Send your Holy Spirit upon Emily,
bring her to new birth in the household of faith,
and raise her with Christ to full and eternal life;
for all might, majesty, authority and power are yours,
now and for ever.

Amen.

Profession of Faith

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess with this candidate the
faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

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

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**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.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Baptism

Emily, is this your faith?

This is my faith.

Emily Louise, I baptise you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The president says

Almighty God,
we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith
with all who have been baptised in your name.
Keep us faithful to our baptism,
and so make us ready for that day
when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Emily, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The congregation greets the newly-baptised and all return to their seats.

Prayers of Intercession

*Following an invitation to pray from the intercessor we kneel or sit to pray.
The following response is used.*

Lord, come to bless us
and fill us with your Spirit.

Then at the end:

Generous God,
you sent your Holy Spirit
upon your Messiah at the river Jordan,
and upon the disciples in the upper room:
**in your mercy fill us with your Spirit,
hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand with the president.

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

2 Corinthians 1.22

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

This is usually a handshake shared with those near you.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared, and the oil of Chrism blessed by the Bishop on Maundy Thursday, bread and wine are placed upon it.

A hymn is sung. During this hymn a collection, our financial offering in support of the work of the church both at St. Mary's and across our diocese, is taken.

You can place cash or giving envelopes on the collection plates as they are passed around. If you would prefer, or if you miss the plate, you can also give by scanning this QR code, or by tapping your contactless card or device on the card reader by the door as you leave.



**Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,
taught by thee we covet most
of thy gifts at Pentecost,
holy, heav'nly love.**

**Love is kind, and suffers long,
love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
love than death itself more strong;
therefore, give us love.**

**Prophecy will fade away,
melting in the light of day,
love will ever with us stay;
therefore, give us love.**

**Faith will vanish into sight;
hope be emptied in delight;
love in heav'n will shine more bright;
therefore, give us love.**

**Faith and hope and love we see
joining hand in hand agree;
but the greatest of the three,
and the best, is love.**

**From the overshadowing
of thy gold and silver wing
shed on us, who to thee sing,
holy, heav'nly love.**

*Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)
based on 1 Corinthians 13 & Psalm 68 verse 13
Music: John Stainer (1840-1901)
Hymn Tune: CHARITY*

Taking of the Oil of Chrism

Oil for the renewal of God's people.

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

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please kneel or sit.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

You are worthy of our thanks and praise,
Lord God of truth,
for by the breath of your mouth
you have spoken your word,
and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image
and placed us in the garden of your delight.
Though we chose the path of rebellion
you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.
You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets
to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth,
we echo the song of the angels in heaven,
evermore 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.**

Lord God, you are the most holy one,
enthroned in splendour and light,
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ
you reveal the power of your love
made perfect in our human weakness.

Sung: **Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Embracing our humanity,
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;
loving us to the end,
he gave himself to death for us;
dying for his own,
he set us free from the bonds of sin,
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

Sung: **Amen. Lord, we believe.**

On the night he gave up himself for us all
he 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.

Sung: **Amen. Lord, we believe.**

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.

Sung: **Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high
and we long for his coming in glory.

Sung: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
form us into the likeness of Christ
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Sung: **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Look with favour on your people
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.
Bless the earth,
heal the sick,
let the oppressed go free
and fill your Church with power from on high.

Sung: **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Gather your people from the ends of the earth
to feast with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints
at the table in your kingdom,
where the new creation is brought to perfection
in 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.

Sung: **Amen, amen, amen.**

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

*The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken for distribution.*

**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.**

Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The president and people receive communion. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow the guidance offered by the stewards.

If you are not baptised, or would prefer to not receive, then do still come forward for a blessing bringing this book with you so the president knows your intention.

The sacrament is available in both kinds, however if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your place. Receiving in one kind is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England. Please do not dip bread in the wine (sometimes called 'intincting').

Once all have received communion, the president will move to the Holy Trinity Chapel to offer anointing with Oil of Chrism to the newly-baptised, and to any who wish to receive it. Please follow the directions of the stewards as you come forward for anointing.

For those at home it might be helpful to use this prayer during the distribution and anointing.

*Come, Holy Spirit, come upon us,
come around us, come within us;
come to lead us, come to guide us,
that we may work in your power,
and rest in your presence:
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Father,
one God for ever.
Amen.*

Anthem

Sung by the Choir.

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another Comforter,
that he may abide with you for ever;
e'en the Spirit, the Spirit of truth.
And ye know him,
for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless.
I will come to you.

Words: St. John 14 vv. 15-18

Music: Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

The following Communion Hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows. Please remain seated.

**O thou who camest from above
the pure celestial fire to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart.**

**There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire
and still stir up the gift in me.**

**Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat,
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

based on Leviticus 6.13

Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Hymn Tune: HEREFORD

**She sits like a bird, brooding on the waters,
hovering on the chaos of the world's first day;
she sighs and she sings, mothering creation,
waiting to give birth to all the Word will say.**

**She wings over earth, resting where she wishes,
lighting close at hand or soaring through the skies;
she nests in the womb, welcoming each wonder,
nourishing potential hidden to our eyes.**

**She dances in fire, startling her spectators,
waking tongues of ecstasy where dumbness reigned;
she weans and inspires all whose hearts are open,
nor can she be captured, silenced or restrained.**

**For she is the Spirit, one with God in essence,
gifted by the Saviour in eternal love;
she is the key opening the scriptures,
enemy of apathy and heavenly dove.**

Words: John Lamberton Bell (b. 1949)

and Graham Maule (1958-2019)

Music: John Lamberton Bell (b. 1949)

Hymn Tune: THAINAKY

**Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.**

Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.

**Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.**

Words & Music: Daniel Iverson (1890-1972)

Hymn Tune: (IVERSON)

The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand with the president who introduces a time of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please stand as a hymn is sung.

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure:
until with thee I have one will
to do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.**

Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

Music: Charles Lockhart (1745-1815)

Hymn Tune: CARLISLE

The Dismissal

Blessing of Light

The ministers go to the Easter Candle.

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.
Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;
the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.
With the new wine of the Spirit
they proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
the way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life,
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

Lighting of Candles

The newly-baptised receives a lighted candle, lit from the Easter Candle.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

Emily, you have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

*Each member of the congregation has a candle which is lit as the light of the
Easter Candle is passed on.*

Commission

When all the candles are lit the president says:

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus
Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed
God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at
work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in
us.

As part of God's Church here in Whitkirk, Colton and beyond I
call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's
future, trusting him to be your guide?

By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

We will.

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

We will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

We will.

The Easter Candle is extinguished in silence.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

The Blessing

May the Spirit,
who hovered over the waters when the world was created,
breathe into you the life he gives.

Amen.

May the Spirit,
who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son
came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord.
Amen.

May the Spirit,
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost,
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.
Amen.

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

The Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Our regular services

Sung Eucharist:	Every Sunday at 10.00 am
Said Eucharist:	Every Wednesday at 10.00 am
Choral Evensong:	First Sunday of the month at 6.00 pm
Compline:	First Wednesday of the month at 8.30 pm
Sanctuary:	Second Thursday of the month at 6.30 pm
Sacred Space:	Last Thursday of the month at 6.00 pm
Daily Prayers:	Tuesday to Saturday at 8.30am and 5.30pm

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