



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

# Sung Eucharist

The fourth Sunday of Easter



# Welcome to St Mary's

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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](https://www.wkrk.uk/donate).



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## Accessible for everyone

We aim to be accessible for everyone. For more information on accessibility at St Mary's please see [wkrk.uk/access](https://www.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](https://www.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](http://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](mailto:safeguarding@whitkirkchurch.org.uk), or you can find more information and contact details at [wkrk.uk/safe](http://wkrk.uk/safe).



## **Other services this week**

### **Said Eucharist**

Wednesday 29 April at 10.00 am

### **Sacred Space**

Thursday 30 April at 6.00 pm

### **Sung Eucharist for the fifth Sunday of Easter**

Sunday 3 May at 10.00 am

### **Choral Evensong**

Sunday 3 May at 6.00 pm

## **Notices and events**

### **The Leeds South & East Food Bank: What's Needed in April**

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 fruit, tinned vegetables, UHT milk, tinned fish and cooking sauces.

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](http://wkrk.uk/fbd). If you need the help of a foodbank yourself, see [wkrk.uk/fbh](http://wkrk.uk/fbh).

## **Open Church and Summer Concert Series**

Our beautiful church will be open to the public every Saturday afternoon, 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm throughout the summer from Easter through to the end of September. Please do tell your friends and neighbours about this and encourage them to come and have a look around \_their \_church, and perhaps come along to one of our Concert Season performances:

- 9 May: What Larks! A capella folk harmony trio
- 13 June: Altofts and Normanton Brass Band
- 11 July: Giles Taylor, organ

## **Confirmations: 13 September 2026**

Confirmations for the East Leeds Deanery will be taking place at St James the Great Manston on 13 September. I am aware of two potential candidates for confirmation at that service. If you are considering being confirmed, or if you would like to know more, please contact Rev'd Claire. It would be good to have a joyful Whitkirk contingent at this service.

## **Revision of Electoral Roll**

The Church Representation Rules require the Electoral Roll to be revised annually. Entry on the Roll provides the right to vote on issues raised at the Annual Parish Council Meeting. From 29 March 2026 a notice will be displayed near the Church entrance giving details of the revision. Those currently on the Roll do not need to take any action, unless to request removal from the Roll. Any persons not currently on the Roll can apply for inclusion. Application Forms will be available in Church. The Revision closing date is 3 May 2026.

## **The Hook Memorial Lectures 2026**

The Hook Memorial Lectures 2026 will be taking place at All Souls' (Hook Memorial) Church, Blacker Lane on Mondays through June at 7pm. This year's lectures focus on the four Gospels and some of the speakers may be familiar to you. The lectures are free and open to all interested parties.

- 1 June: The Gospel of Mark (Rev'd Canon Amos Kasibante)
- 8 June: The Gospel of Matthew (Rev'd Dr Jo Logan)
- 15 June: The Gospel of Luke (Very Rev'd Andrew Nunn)
- 22 June: The Gospel of John (Rev'd Dr Claire Honess)
- 29 June: The 'fifth Gospel' (Canon Ann Nicholl)

## **Morning Prayer**

Please note that there is no Morning Prayer this week Tuesday to Thursday. Evening Prayer continues as usual at 5.30pm.

## **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

**Tuesday 19 May at 7.30 pm**

**St Mary's Church Whitkirk Community Centre**

This is your chance to find out all that has been going on over the last year and our plans for the future, to vote for members of our Parochial Church Council (essentially, our governing body), or even to stand for election yourself. Papers for the meeting can be found on our website at [wkrk.uk/apcm](http://wkrk.uk/apcm) or can be picked up from the back of church in a hard copy if you prefer. If you are interested in standing for election but would like to find out more about what's involved, do speak to Rev'd Claire or to a churchwarden.

## **Trip to Lincoln**

### **Thursday 21 May**

We can now confirm that the cost of our trip to Lincoln, including entry to the cathedral with a guided tour and coach travel to and from Lincoln, will be £26 per person. If you have expressed an interest in joining us on this trip, please see Joan Williams after today's or next week's services to confirm your place. We strongly believe that church activities should be open to everyone. If you would like to come on this trip but would find the cost prohibitive, please do not be embarrassed: come and have a quiet word with Claire after the service and we will find a way to help. Precise information about departure and return times to follow.

## **Quiet Day: Blessing**

**Saturday 23 May at 9.30 am**

**St Mary's Church Whitkirk Community Centre**

'The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.' You are invited to this Quiet Day, led by Rev'd Claire on behalf of Churches Together in East Leeds, which will explore the notion of blessing, taking the so-called 'Aaronic blessing' as a starting-point. Allowing participants space to reflect and explore, it will encourage them to recognise the blessings that God pours out upon them and, simultaneously, to recognise themselves as bearers of that blessing to others and to the world. There is no charge for attendance. Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee provided. RSVP to [blessingquietday@gmail.com](mailto:blessingquietday@gmail.com) to give us an idea of numbers.

## **Join us after the service for refreshments**

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



# 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.*

**At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide  
flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him, whose love divine  
gives his sacred blood for wine,  
gives his body for the feast,  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.**

**Where the paschal blood is poured,  
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
faithful hosts triumphant go  
through the wave that drowns the foe.  
praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
paschal victim, paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love  
eat we manna from above.**

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**Mighty victim from above,  
conqu'ring by the pow'r of love;  
thou hast triumphed in the fight,  
thou hast brought us life and light.  
now no more can death appal,  
now no more the grave enthrall:  
thou hast opened paradise,  
and in thee thy saints shall rise.**

**Easter triumph, Easter joy,  
nothing now can this destroy;  
from sin's pow'r do thou set free  
souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.  
hymns of glory and of praise,  
risen Lord, to thee we raise;  
holy Father, praise to thee,  
with the Spirit, ever be.**

*Words: Latin text  
translated by Robert Campbell (1814-1868)  
Music: Jacob Hintze (1622-1702)  
harmony by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)  
Hymn Tune: SALZBURG*

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.**

## **Words of Welcome**

### **Prayers of Penitence**

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

*cf 1 Corinthians 5.7,8*

*Silence is kept.*

**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.**

*The president says:*

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.  
**Amen.**

## **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'.*

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Please sit.*

# The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Many were baptised and were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

*Acts 2.42-end*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Hymn

*Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. 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.*

**The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.**

**Where streams of living waters flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spread'st a table in my sight,  
thy unction grace bestoweth:  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth.**

**And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never;  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.**

*Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877) based on Psalm 23*

*Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)*

*Hymn Tune: DOMINUS REGIT ME*

## **Gospel Reading**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the Pharisees: ‘Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.’ Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever

enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

*John 10.1-10*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

*Please sit after the preacher leads us in prayer.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

*Please stand with the president.*

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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**

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

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

*Then at the end:*

Merciful Father,

**Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,**

**Our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

*Please stand with the president.*

### **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. Alleluia.

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 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.*



**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him,  
for he is thy health and salvation:  
all ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near,  
joining in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things  
so wondrously reigneth,  
shieldeth thee gently from harm,  
or when fainting sustaineth:  
hast thou not seen  
how thy heart's wishes have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper  
thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy  
shall daily attend thee:  
ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if to the end he befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, O let all that  
is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
come now with praises before him!  
Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly for ay we adore him.**

*Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680)*

*translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)*

*Music: from 'Praxis Pietatis Melica (1668)*

*Hymn Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN*

## **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

Risen Lord Jesus Christ,  
we believe you, and all we have heard is true.  
When you break bread  
may we recognise you as the fire that burns within us,  
that we may bring light to your world.

**Amen.**

# The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

*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.**

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.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessèd is he, O blessèd is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, 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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection**

**you have set us free.**

**You are the Saviour of the world.**

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,  
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.

**Amen.** (*Sung*)

*Silence is kept.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Rejoicing in God's new creation, 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.*

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

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

## **Giving of 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').*

*To the words "The Body/Blood of Christ" the communicant replies "**Amen**".*

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

*Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.*

## **Motet**

*Sung by the Choir.*

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;  
he maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;  
he maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for you are with me, you will comfort me,  
you are with me, you will comfort me, comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy  
shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

*Words: Psalm 23 from 'The Scottish Psalter' (1650)*

*Music: Howard Goodall (b. 1958)*

*The following communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows. Please remain seated.*

**Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,  
keep thy lamb, in safety keep;  
nothing can thy pow'r withstand,  
none can pluck me from thy hand.**

**Loving Shepherd, thou didst give  
thine own life that we might live;  
and the hands outstretched to bless  
bear the cruel nails' impress.**

**I would praise thee ev'ry day,  
gladly all thy will obey,  
like the blessèd ones above  
happy in thy precious love.**

**Loving Shepherd, ever near,  
teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;  
suffer not my steps to stray  
from the straight and narrow way.**

**Where thou leadest I would go,  
walking in thy steps below;  
then, before my Father's throne,  
I shall know as I am known.**

*Words: Jane Elizabeth Leeson (1809-1881)*

*Music: Leighton George Hayne (1836-1883)*

*Hymn Tune: BUCKLAND*

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.**

***Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!***

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
in thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.**

***Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!***

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

***Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!***

*Words: Thomas Obadiah Chisholm (1866-1960)*

*Music: William Marion Runyan (1870-1957)*

*Hymn Tune: FAITHFULNESS (RUNYAN)*

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

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

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**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.**

*Please stand as a hymn is sung.*

**I will sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me,  
how he left the realms of glory  
for the cross on Calvary.  
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me –  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.**

**I was lost but Jesus found me,  
found the sheep that went astray,  
raised me up and gently led me  
back into the narrow way.  
Days of darkness still may meet me,  
sorrow's path I oft may tread;  
but his presence still is with me,  
by his guiding hand I'm led.**

**He will keep me till the river  
rolls its waters at my feet:  
then he'll bear me safely over,  
made by grace for glory meet.  
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story  
of the Christ who died for me –  
sing it with his saints in glory,  
gathered by the crystal sea.**

*Words: Francis Harold Rawley (1854-1952)*

*Music: Rowland Huw Pritchard (1811-1887)*

*arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

*Hymn Tune: HYFRYDOL*

# The Dismissal

## The Blessing

God the Father,  
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,  
strengthen you by his life-giving Spirit  
to walk with him in the paths of righteousness and peace;  
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

With the power that raised Jesus  
from the dead at work within you,  
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

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

**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
Pilgrims in the Park:	Last Saturday of the month at 2.00 pm at Temple Newsam Park
Daily Prayers:	Tuesday to Saturday at 8.30am and 5.30pm

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