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**St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford**

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**Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

**Sunday 13th July, 2025**

**10am**

**Parish & Family Communion service**

**“Children of Friendship”**

*A warm welcome to all to our Family Eucharist this morning. We are joined by the children throughout the service and are looking forward to their participation in all parts of the service. Children are welcome to sit with their families or to come and sit at the front, nearer the action!*

#### Please stand to sing

**OPENING HYMN** **– 498 Son of God, Eternal Saviour (***Omit v4)*

**Son of God, eternal Saviour,  
Source of life and truth and grace,  
Son of Man, whose birth among us  
Hallows all our human race,  
Thou, our Head, who, throned in glory,  
For thine own dost ever plead,  
Fill us with thy love and pity,  
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.**

**As thou, Lord, hast lived for others,  
So may we for others live;  
Freely have thy gifts been granted,  
Freely may thy servants give.  
Thine the gold and thine the silver,  
Thine the wealth of land and sea,  
We but stewards of thy bounty,  
Held in solemn trust for thee.**

**Come, O Christ, and reign among us,  
King of love, and Prince of peace,  
Hush the storm of strife and passion,  
Bid its cruel discords cease;  
By thy patient years of toiling,  
By thy silent hours of pain,  
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,  
shame our selfish greed of gain.**

**Son of God, eternal Saviour,  
Source of life and truth and grace,  
Son of Man, whose birth among us  
Hallows all our human race.  
Thou who prayedst, thou who willest  
That thy people should be one,  
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:  
Here on earth thy will be done.**

*Somerset Lowry, Tune ABBOT’S LEIGH*

**THE WELCOME AND GATHERING**

#### The president says

We meet in the name of God:

**All**    **Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

*The president greets the people*

The Lord be with you

**All**    **and also with you.**

Breathe on us, breath of God;

**All**    **fill us with your saving power.**

Speak in us, wisdom of God;

**All**    **bring strength, healing and peace.**

The Lord is here.

**All**    **His Spirit is with us.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God’s commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*Please sit or kneel to pray*

For turning away from you,  
and ignoring your will for our lives;  
Father, forgive us:

***All***    **save us and help us.**

For behaving just as we wish,  
without thinking of you;  
Father, forgive us:

***All***    **save us and help us.**

For failing you by what we do  
and think and say;  
Father, forgive us:

***All***    **save us and help us.**

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you  
by temptations in the world about us;  
Father, forgive us:

***All***    **save us and help us.**

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;  
Father, forgive us:

***All***    **save us and help us.**

May almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you the things you have done wrong,  
and bring you to everlasting life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

**THE COLLECT**

**All Gracious Father,  
by the obedience of Jesus  
you brought salvation to our wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your will,  
that we may final all things restored in him,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### Please stand to sing

**HYMN** **– When I Needed a Neighbour**

**When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a neighbour, were you there?**

***Refrain:  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
were you there?***

**I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there?  
I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?**

***Refrain***

**I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there?  
I was cold, I was naked, were you there?**

***Refrain***

**When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a shelter, were you there?**

***Refrain***

**When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?  
When I needed a healer, were you there?**

***Refrain***

**Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there,  
wherever you travel I'll be there.**

***Refrain  
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter,  
I’ll be there!*** *Sydney Carter, Tune NEIGHBOUR*

#### Please remain standing as the Gospel reading is told today. The words of the Reading set are found here for you to look at as the story is told to us using Godly Play

**THE GOSPEL – The Good Samaritan**

Hear the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All Glory to you O Lord**

Then a teacher of the law stood up. He was trying to test Jesus. He said, “Teacher, what must I do to get life forever?”

Jesus said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?”

The man answered, “Love the Lord your God. Love him with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.” Also, “You must love your neighbour as you love yourself.”

Jesus said to him, “Your answer is right. Do this and you will have life forever.”

But the man wanted to show that the way he was living was right. So he said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbour?”

To answer this question, Jesus said, “A man was going down the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. Some robbers attacked him. They tore off his clothes and beat him. Then they left him lying there, almost dead. It happened that a Jewish priest was going down that road. When the priest saw the man, he walked by on the other side of the road. Next, a Levite came there. He went over and looked at the man. Then he walked by on the other side of the road. Then a Samaritan traveling down the road came to where the hurt man was lying. He saw the man and felt very sorry for him. The Samaritan went to him and poured olive oil and wine on his wounds and bandaged them. He put the hurt man on his own donkey and took him to an inn. At the inn, the Samaritan took care of him. The next day, the Samaritan brought out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. The Samaritan said, ‘Take care of this man. If you spend more money on him, I will pay it back to you when I come again.’”

Then Jesus said, “Which one of these three men do you think was a neighbour to the man who was attacked by the robbers?”

The teacher of the law answered, “The one who helped him.”

Jesus said to him, “Then go and do the same thing he did!”

*Luke 10:25-37*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All Praise to you O Christ**

#### Please sit

**REFLECTION**

#### Please stand as we affirm our common faith in God

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**All**    **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**All**    **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**All**    **We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All**    **This is our faith.**  
**We believe and trust in one God,**  
**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**  
**Amen.**

#### Please sit or kneel to pray

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The following responses may be used:*

Lord in your mercy

**All Hear our prayer.**

*At the end we say,*

Merciful father,

**All Accept these prayers, for the sake of your son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

*Please stand*

We are the body of Christ.

**All** **In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.**

Let us then pursue all the makes for peace.

**All** **and builds up our common life.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All** **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

#### Please stand to sing

**THE OFFERTORY HYMN** **– Will You Come and Follow Me**

**Will you come and follow me  
 if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don’t know  
 and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
 will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
 in you and you in me?**

**Will you leave yourself behind  
 if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
 and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
 should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
 in you and you in me?**

**Will you let the blinded see  
 if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
 and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean,  
 and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
 in you and you in me?**

**Will you love the ‘you’ you hide  
 if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
 and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you’ve found  
 to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
 in you and you in me?**

**Lord, your summons echoes true  
 when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
 and never be the same.  
In your company I’ll go  
 where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I’ll move and live and grow  
 in you and you in me.**

*John Bell & Graham Maule, Tune KELVINGROVE*

**THE EUCHARIST**

With this bread that we bring.

**All We shall remember Jesus.**

With this wine that we bring.

**All We shall remember Jesus.**

Bread for his body,  
wine for his blood,  
gifts from God to his table we bring.

**All We shall remember Jesus.**

The Lord is here

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to God.

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

It is always right to give you thanks,

Father, Lord of all creation.

You made us and the whole universe,

and filled your world with life.

**All Holy, holy, holy.**

When we turned away, you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**All Holy, holy, holy**

In Christ your shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**All Holy, holy, holy**

Father, on the night before he died,

Jesus shared a meal with his friends.

He took the bread, and thanked you.

He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this to remember me.

  After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.

He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you.

This is my blood, the new promise of God’s unfailing love.

Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

**All Jesus Christ has died.**

Jesus Christ is risen.

**All Jesus Christ is risen.**

Jesus Christ will come again.

**All Jesus Christ will come again.**

Father, as proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,   
send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts

may be fed by Christ’s body and his blood.

And now we give you thanks  
because he was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin.  
By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil,  
and to live no longer for ourselves alone,  
but for him who died for us and rose again.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father,

with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit:

one God, for ever and ever.

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All Our Father, who art in heaven,   
hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come; thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.   
Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,   
as we forgive those who trespass against us.   
And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.   
For thine is the kingdom,**

**the power and the glory,**

**for ever and ever.**

**Amen**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The president breaks the bread*

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

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

**AGNUS DEI**

**All 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.** *D.Thorne*

**GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*If you are used to receiving communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here. Gluten-free bread is available - please just ask. We line up from the right hand side - if, for any reason, you cannot take from the common cup, please do not try to intinct (dip) your wafer - wafers with wine are available, please just ask. If you would like to receive a blessing, please keep your hands down.*

**COMMUNION HYMN** **– I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

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**I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto me and rest;  
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
Thy head upon my breast:'  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
Weary, and worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting place,  
And he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Behold, I freely give  
The living water, thirsty one;  
Stoop down, and drink, and live:  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
Of that life-giving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
And now I live in him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world’s Light;  
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
And all thy day be bright:'  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
In him my Star, my Sun;  
And in that light of life I’ll walk  
Till travelling days are done.**

*Horatius Bonar, Tune KINGSFOLD*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Eternal God,  
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,  
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:  
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,  
that all the world may acknowledge  
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen**

**All Faithful God,  
in baptism you have adopted us as your children,  
made us members of the body of Christ  
and chosen us to inherit your kingdom:  
send us out as disciples of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

**NOTICES (& Mary Mouse)**

#### Please stand to sing

#### **CLOSING HYMN** **– Christ be our Light**

#### **Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.**

#### **Refrain: Christ, be our light! shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! shine in your church gathered today.**

#### **Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow’r to save us. Make us your living voice. Refrain**

#### **Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. Refrain**

#### **Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. Refrain**

#### **Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. Refrain:**

***Christ, be our light!   
shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.   
Christ, be our light!   
shine in your church gathered today.***

*Bernadette Farrell, Tune CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT*

**THE BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,

be among you, and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

**THE DISMISSAL**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**All Thanks be to God.**

***You are warmly invited to join us for refreshments in the Community Room after this service.***