

The Billericay & Little Burstead Team Ministry



Emmanuel Church
Laindon Road



Christ Church
Perry Street



St Mary the Virgin
Little Burstead



St John the Divine
Outwood Common



St Mary Magdalen
Billericay High Street

A Team Service of Holy Communion



with Rob Halligan

Sunday 29 March 2020 at 10.00 am
Emmanuel Church, Laindon Road

Welcome

O Lord, open our lips:

**And our mouth shall proclaim
Your praise.**

147 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Opening Prayer

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts
are open, all desires known, and
from whom no secrets are hidden:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and
worthily magnify your holy name:
Through Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

Collect Of The Day

**2007 Praise Is Rising (Hosanna)
PP Give Me Strength When I'm Weary**

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' They were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

May the peace of the risen Jesus
be always with you:
And also with you.

Let us offer one another
a sign of His peace.

Confession

God the Father forgives us in Christ
and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

Let us therefore put away all anger
and bitterness, all slander and malice,
and confess our sins to God our
redeemer (*Ephesians 4:30,32*).

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

Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who
truly repent, have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your
sins, confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness, and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN.

Holy Communion (Prayer F)

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 saying:

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

AMEN. Come, Holy Spirit.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with 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. **AMEN.**

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The Archbishop's Council Common Worship*

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Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth and to share his risen life: who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. AMEN.

Notices

Prayer for crèche, children and young people, and their leaders, as they leave us.

PSALM: Rob Halligan

Heavenly Father, as we come to you with our offering of worship, let us do so with reverence, fear, contrition and honesty. Let us know the joy of salvation and the friendship of Jesus. With gratitude and humility, we pray you would be with us on our journey, that we would know your peace and that you would enjoy being with us.

MAJESTY

The night is dark but a million stars
Defy the gloom, declaring you
And waiting hearts know the start
Of something new is coming soon

And they sing songs
That awaken the dawn
Longing, waiting for something more

*Majesty
Forever majesty
All blessing and glory
Honour and power are yours
Majesty
Reigning through history
All of creation declares your majesty*

Right at the start your beating heart
Filled with love, created us
And breathed your life into our lives
So we could rise into your life

And we sing songs
That awaken the dawn
Longing, waiting for something more

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Psalm 108: 1-5

A song. A Psalm of David.

1. My heart, O God, is steadfast; I will sing and make music with all my soul.
2. Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.
3. I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples.
4. For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.
5. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

THE HEAVENS DECLARE (Psalm 19)

The heavens declare your glory
The skies proclaim the work of hands
Day after day
From sunrise to the evening
Your majesty is displayed in the heavens
And there are no words
But their songs fill the earth

Your works are perfect
Refreshing the soul
Your light surrounds us
And lights up the road
That leads us to joy
And opens our eyes
Sweeter than honey
More precious than gold
My rock my redeemer,
Lord of my soul
Let everything I say
And whatever I pray
Be a blessing to you

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Psalm 24 **Of David. A Psalm.**

- 1. The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;*
- 2. For he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.*
- 3. Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?*
- 4. The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.*

THERE IS A MOUNTAIN

There is a mountain that I see rise
Higher than the eagle flies
Whose heights are filled
With heaven's light
And run with streams of life

The world is nothing though it shines
Compared to what the pilgrim finds
The mountain leaves the world behind
It's where I want to climb
It's you I want to find

*Create in me a pure heart
Open my eyes to see your glory
Refining fire come purify
And burn inside my heart*

Can I climb the hill of the Lord
Can I stand in that holy place
Can I climb the hill of the Lord

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LET THE MORNING **(Psalm 143)**

Hear me God, I cry to you
In your mercy won't you listen
Cos I am lost and I need you
I need you in my position
I remember all your goodness
In the beauty that I see
In the darkness I reach out
'Cos I need you

*Let the morning see
Your love break through
Let the sunrise light the road to you
In the morning teach me what to do
And I will trust you
I'll trust in you*

Sometimes life can beat you up
Leave you dead or leave you broken
And the only thing to lift you up
Are when the words of life are spoken
And I've been waiting patiently
For you to come my way
Make it soon, come speedily
'Cos I need you

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From Psalm 42

As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.

**My soul thirsts for God, for the living
God. When can I go and meet with
God?**

Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why
so disturbed within me?

**Put your hope in God, for I will yet
praise him, my Saviour and my God.**

ARISE (Psalm 42)

My soul is dry, I thirst for you
Where can I find you God
All day and all night my tears are true
Where can I find you God

I recall I worshiped you
With shouts of joy we raised a song

*Arise my soul, lift your eyes
Put your hope in God
Arise my soul and fix your eyes on love*

It feels like you have forgotten me
Where can I find you God?
When I'm on my own,
When I'm in agony
Where can I find you God?

Deep calls to deep in your waterfall
And your love breaks over me

By day my God directs His love
By night his song is with me
And I will not forget His word
And his lovingkindness to me

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*"The greatest disease in the West today
is not TB or leprosy; it is being unwanted,
unloved, and uncared for. We can cure
physical diseases with medicine, but the
only cure for loneliness, despair, and
hopelessness is love. There are many in
the world who are dying for a piece of
bread but there are many more dying for
a little love. The poverty in the West is a
different kind of poverty -- it is not only a
poverty of loneliness but also of spiritual-
ity. There's a hunger for love, as there is a
hunger for God."*

Mother Teresa

A MODERN LAMENT

Where were the angels tonight
When the darkest shadows
Seem to swallow up the light
And the fragile thread of life
Is cut short by a knife
Where were the angels

Where were the angels tonight
When just one word of love
Would have put fear to flight
And darkness would have fled
And no-one would have bled
Where were the angels

And where are the hands
That threw the stars into space
The hands that drew
The smile on the innocent face
Where are the arms of eternal embrace
Where are the angels tonight

Where are the angels today
As the sun shines down
On where the children used to play
And the world carries on
As if there's nothing wrong
Where are the angels

I know there is a love
That reaches the heart
That's been broken by this world
And left torn apart
A love that can heal
The deepest of scars
I know there are angels tonight

I saw an angel tonight
I saw a love that cut deeper than a knife
It's this love we need
To run through our streets
We need the angels

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Psalm 139

**For the director of music.
Of David. A Psalm.**

1. You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.
2. **You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.**
3. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.
4. **Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.**
5. You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.
6. **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.**
7. Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
8. **If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.**
9. If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,
10. **even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.**
11. If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,

12. Even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you."

FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY (Psalm 139)

Your thoughts are too marvellous for me
You hear every word I say
Before I get the chance to speak
And there's no-where
That I can hide away
You see my every shadow
You are my brightest day

*I'm fearfully and wonderfully made
Every breath I take is a gift
And though my life is life the spray
On a storm tossed wave
To you my life is treasure
And I'm fearfully and wonderfully made*

The stars in the heavens sing your praise
And there's no song that I can bring
To match the anthem that they raise
But you stoop down to listen at my door
And despite my feeble effort
You say you want to know me more

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Psalm 23 - The Shepherd

MY GUIDE

The Lord is my guide
Takes me where I need to go
Leads me on a righteous path
Brings healing to my soul
Gives me everything I need
When I face the hardest trial
And I know He stands with me
The Lord is my guide

*And I know the Goodness of God
His mercy and kindness are mine
And I know I live with Him
In the house the Lord
All the days of my life*

When life come crashing down
And my night is blackest black
I know I'm not alone
Cos I know you've got my back
And I won't be afraid
With you standing by my side
My comfort and my strength
My God and my guide

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PSALM 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory of His
name, and worship in holy array.

The voice of the Lord is powerful,
His voice is full of majesty.
His voice comes forth like flames of fire;
The God of glory thunders.

*All in the temple cry: Glory! (x3)
Glory to the Lamb
Who sits on the throne!*

The Lord is enthroned over all the earth,
The Lord is enthroned as King forever.
The Lord gives strength to His people.
The Lord bless His people with peace!

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The Lord's Prayer

**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. Lead us not into temptation:
But deliver us from evil. For the king-
dom, the power, and the glory are
Yours, Now and for ever. AMEN.**

894 Lord, I Come Before Your Throne

*(There will be an offering for Global Care during this song.
www.globalcare.org is a Christian Charity, which Rob
supports, who for nearly 40 years, have supported
vulnerable children and young people in Asia, Africa,
Eastern Europe and Central America, through education,
vocational training, feeding and welfare care).*

Offertory Prayer

Closing Prayer

**In the tender compassion of the Lord
may the dawn from on high break
upon us. May it shine into the darkness
and into the shadow of death and
guide our feet into the way of peace.**

The Blessing

Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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