

Welcome
to our Deanery
Ascension Day Service
2021

from All Saints Harston

Thursday 13th May 7.30pm

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Welcome

God has gone up with a shout,

the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

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

Introduction

Reading

Acts of the Apostles (1.1-11)

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

Gloria

sung to us

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.

please sit or kneel

Let us pray that our risen and ascended Lord will lead us to eternal life.

silence

Risen Christ,

you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: help us to
seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side,

where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

Reading

Ephesians 1: 15-23 Paul's Prayer for Spiritual Wisdom

All nations shall come and worship you, O Christ, and share in the feast of your kingdom.

Great and wonderful are your deeds, Lord God the Almighty. Just and true are your ways, O ruler of the nations.

Who shall not revere and praise your name, O Lord? for you alone are holy.

All nations shall come and worship in your presence: for your just dealings have been revealed.

**To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

All nations shall come and worship you, O Christ, and share in the feast of your kingdom.

Gospel Reading

Luke 24.44-end

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Creed

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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

please sit or kneel

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. If you love me, rejoice because I am going to the Father'. Alleluia.

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

Holy Communion

Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,

by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

Blessed be God for ever.

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.**

and now we give you thanks because after his most glorious resurrection, he appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither might we also ascend and reign with him in glory

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

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.]

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story. **This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story. **This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story. **This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story. **This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

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

Looking for the coming of his kingdom, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
Amen.**

Breaking the bread:

Lord, we died with you on the cross. **Now we are raised to new life.**
We were buried in your tomb. **Now we share in your**
resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

Agnus Dei - sung

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep**
the feast. Alleluia.

receive the bread and wine,

God our Father, you have raised our humanity in Christ and have fed us
with the bread of heaven: mercifully grant that, nourished with such
spiritual blessings, we may set our hearts in the heavenly places;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united
us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples. Amen.

Hymn

Blessing:

Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As we wait in silence, **make us ready for your coming Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering, **make us ready for your coming**
Spirit.

The Dismissal

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit, go in the peace of
Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**