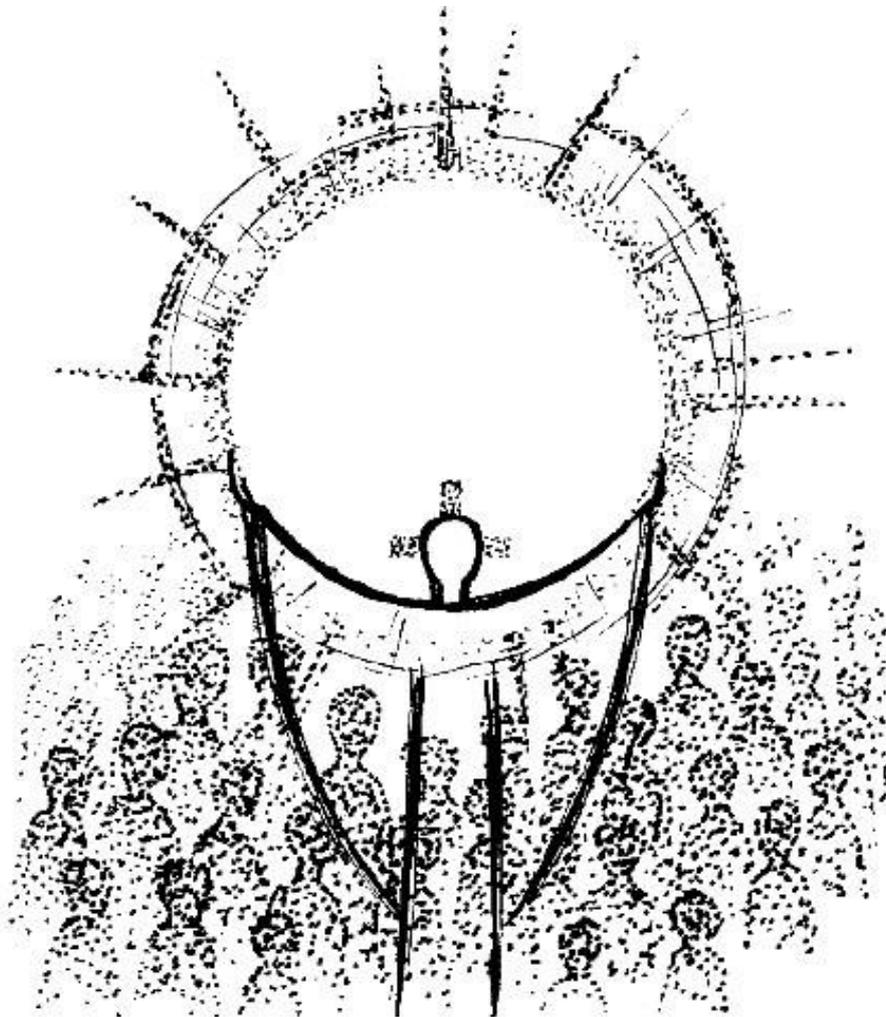




**Online Eucharist**  
**10.30am**  
**2 August 2020**

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## ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Welcome to **St Margaret's Lee** and to this Eucharist.

In this Eucharist we recall the last meal of Christ with his friends in the Upper Room, and we recognise him in the breaking of the bread. Although our faith is grounded in history, this service is not a nostalgic looking back to the events of the past: it is a celebration that in the Eucharist Christ is truly present to us now, and a promise of the glory that will be ours when the whole universe is made complete in him.

The service falls into four major sections:

**The Gathering**, in which we come together as God's people, and prepare in penitence and joy to receive Christ in Word and Sacrament;

**The Liturgy of the Word**, in which we listen to the words of Scripture (culminating in the reading of the Gospel), explore the faith through the sermon and the Creed, and bring our prayers to God;

**The Liturgy of the Sacrament**, in which bread and wine are blessed in remembrance of Christ's death and resurrection, linking his sacrifice on the cross with our offering of prayer and praise, and transforming the elements of bread and wine into our spiritual food, food we are invited to share in Holy Communion;

**The Dismissal**, in which we are sent out to be the Body of Christ in the world.





## The Gathering

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*The president says*

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

*All* **Amen.**

## The Greeting

*The president greets the people*

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

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

*We say together:*

**We have come together as the family of God  
in our Father's presence  
to offer him praise and thanksgiving,  
to hear and receive his holy word,  
to bring before him the needs of the world,  
to ask his forgiveness of our sins, and to seek his grace,  
that through his Son Jesus Christ we may give  
ourselves to his service.  
Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

*The president invites the people to confess their sins using these or other suitable words*

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.

*All* Almighty God,  
**our heavenly Father,**  
**we have sinned against you, through our own fault,**  
**in thought and word and deed,**  
**and in what we have left undone.**  
**For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,**  
**forgive us all that is past;**  
**and grant that we may serve you in newness of life**  
**to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The president says*

May God who loved the world so much that he  
sent his Son to be our Saviour, forgive us our sins  
and make us holy to serve him in the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**



*The Gloria is sung*

*All* **Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.  
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.  
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.  
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.  
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.  
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.  
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.**

**The Collect**

*The president says*

Let us pray

Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:  
when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen**

## The Liturgy of the Word

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**First Reading**  
**Romans 9. 1-5 NRSV**  
Reader: Aidan Wardle

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit— I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

*At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading**  
**Matthew 14. 13-21 NRSV**  
Reader: Natasha Wardle

*The following or another suitable acclamation heralds the Gospel reading.*

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last says the Lord and the living one.

I was dead and behold I am alive for evermore.

*All* **Alleluia.**

*The reader says*

The Lord be with you

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

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

*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and

two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*At the end the reader says*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Talk**

**The Creed**

We are not alone. We live in God’s world

*All* **We believe in God,  
Who has created and is creating,  
Who has come in Jesus to reconcile and to make all things new.  
We trust God who calls us to be the church;  
To love and serve others,  
To seek justice and to resist evil,  
To proclaim Jesus, our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us: we are not alone.  
Thanks be to God**

**Prayers of Intercession**

Let us pray for the church and the world  
And let us thank God for his goodness

*These responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy

*All* **hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

*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.**

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## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*The president introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence*

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

*All* The peace of the risen Christ be always with you  
**and also with you. Alleluia.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace.*

## The Eucharistic Prayer

*The president takes the bread and says*

All With this bread that we bring  
**we shall remember Jesus.**

*The president takes the wine and says*

All With this wine that we bring  
**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.**

Lord God, source of all holiness,  
Breathe your spirit upon your people

And upon this bread and wine,  
That they may become for us your body and your blood.

For on the night before he died,  
Gathered round the table with his friends,  
Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it

*The president breaks the consecrated bread*

and said: "Take, eat, this is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me".

In the same way he took the cup of wine, blessed it

*The president blesses the consecrated wine*

and said: "Drink this all of you,  
This is my blood which is shed for you.  
Take and share it in remembrance of me."

And as the bread and wine which we now eat and drink,  
Are changed into us,  
may we be changed again into you.

Bone of your bone,  
Flesh of your flesh,  
Loving and caring in the world.

**All** 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.

Sisters and brothers see this bread and this wine.  
In them God comes to us, so that we may come to God.

## Communion

*The president receives communion on behalf of the whole church. During communion, the anthem 'Veritas Mea' by George Malcolm is sung by the Choir of St Margaret's.*

*The president then invites to all who are at home participating to say the prayer for spiritual communion.*

**All** My Jesus, I love you above all things.  
How I long to receive you with  
my brothers and sisters at the table you have prepared.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you  
in bread and wine according to your promise  
in the sacrament of Holy Communion,  
I ask you to feed me with the manna of your Holy Spirit  
and nourish me with your Holy presence.  
I unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from your love. Amen.

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body  
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever.

**All** Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ  
You have put your life into our hands  
Now we put our lives into your hands

**All** Take us, renew and remake us.  
Lead us on and take us with you. Amen.

*The Notices are given out.*

*The president says*

The Lord be with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

*The president uses this or another suitable 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 president says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
*All* **In the name of Christ, Amen**