



**The Parish
Church of
St. John's and
St. Andrew's
at Waterloo**

Parish Eucharist



PENTECOST

28th May 2023

stjohnswaterloo.org

President: Revd. Georgie Bell
Preacher & Deacon: Revd. Georgia Ashwell

Welcome to our service. We're very glad you are able to join us in church for our worship.



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The Gathering

Hymn

HYMNS OLD AND NEW 37

- 1 Angel voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee Lord of might.**

- 2 Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can see,
can it be that thou regardest
our poor hymnody?
Yes, we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us constantly.**

- 3 Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure all combine.**

- 4 In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily,
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest psalmody.**

**5 Honour, glory, might, and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessed Trinity.
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven render thee.**

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In the name of God,
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.
Amen.

The Greeting

The president greets the people

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 and introduction

Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

Prayers of Penitence

What God has prepared for those who love him,
he has revealed to us through the Spirit;
for the Spirit searches everything.
Therefore, let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord,
who has prepared good things for those who love him.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
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

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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Mass setting: Rizza (bread of Life)

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest;
peace to his people on earth,
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, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest;
peace to his people on earth,
peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer, receive our prayer,
receive our prayer,**

**You alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory, the glory,
the glory of God the Father.
Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen.**

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

The Collect

God, who as at this time
taught the hearts of your faithful people
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

Acts 2.1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷*In the last days it will be, God declares,*

that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall
prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and
glorious day.
²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord
shall be saved."

Hear the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

HYMNS OF GLORY SONGS OF PRAISE 501

- 1 O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace,
eternal fount of love,
in flame, we pray, our inmost hearts
with fire from heaven above.**
- 2 As thou dost join with holiest bonds
the Father and the Son,
so fill thy saints with mutual love,
and link their hearts in one.**
- 3 To God the Father, God the Son
and God the Holy Ghost,
be praise eternal from the earth,
and from the angel host.**

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Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced the Deacon says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 20.19-23

¹⁹It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Revd. Georgia Ashwell

Affirmation of Faith

**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

At the end of each prayer of intercession, this or another response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Lord of the Church,
**hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a bow or wave as a sign of peace.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

During this hymn a collection will be taken for the life of the church. If you don't have cash, we have a new card machine at the back of church. Thank you for your support.

Hymn

HYMNS OF GLORY SONGS OF PRAISE 593

- 1 She sits like a bird, brooding on the waters,
hovering on the chaos of the world's first day;
she sighs and she sings, mothering creation,
waiting to give birth to all the Word will say.**
- 2 She wings over earth, resting where she wishes,
lighting close at hand or soaring through the
skies;
she nests in the womb, welcoming each wonder,
nourishing potential hidden to our eyes.**
- 3 She dances in fire, startling her spectators,
waking tongues of ecstasy where dumbness
reigned;
She weans and inspires all whose hearts are
open,
nor can she be captured, silenced or restrained.**
- 4 For she is the Spirit, one with God in essence,
gifted by the Saviour in eternal love;
she is the key opening the scriptures,
enemy of apathy and heavenly dove.**

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The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.
This day we give you thanks

because in fulfilment of your promise
you pour out your Spirit upon us,
filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth,
and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of
one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,
to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name,
for ever praising you and *saying*:

**Holy, holy holy Lord,
God of pow'r and God of might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest;
hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest;
hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he, blessed is he,
blessed is he who comes in the name,
he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna,
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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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 Blessed Mary,
 St John, St Andrew 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.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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 kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for 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

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

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

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

Giving of Communion

The president says

Come to this table, not because you must but because you may,
not because you are strong, but because you are weak.
Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come, but because you need mercy and help.
Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more.
Come, because he loved you and gave himself for you.
Come and meet the risen Christ, for we are his Body.

Hymn

HYMNS OF GLORY SONGS OF PRAISE 600

***Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,
Gentle as is the dove,
Teach us the truth and help us believe,
Show us the Saviour's love.***

**1 You spoke to us, long, long ago,
gave us the written word;
we read it still, needing its truth
through it God's voice is heard.
*Chorus***

**2 Without your help, we fail our Lord,
we cannot live his way,
we need your power, we need your strength,
following Christ each day.
*Chorus***

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***After Communion we keep a time of quiet for prayer
and reflection***

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Notices

The Dismissal

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God;
and the blessing of God almighty,
our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Hymn

HYMNS OLD AND NEW 766

**You shall go out with joy
and be led forth with peace,
and the mountains and the hills
shall break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy
and the trees of the field shall clap,
shall clap their hands.
And the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and you'll go out with joy.**

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The deacon says

Our service has ended, our service begins.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
In the name of Christ, Amen. Alleluia!

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This week we are praying for:

OUTWARD FACING CHURCH WORK:

The Waterloo Festival Committee and its annual Festival. USPG (United Society Partners in the Gospel); Southbank Churches; Christian Aid; Diocesan link with Zimbabwe; The Friends of Luweru. The Robes Project.

CONGREGATION:

Esteri Lee; Maria Lobo; Otis Lee; Peter Lutta & Bwangu, Byansi, Bogere; Winifred Macfoy; Jane, Roger & Maelo Manning; Rufus Muller.

NOTICES

INTERFAITH PICNIC FOR THE CLIMATE

Please see the poster at the end of the service sheet for more details.

PRIDE AND PREJUDICE – 20th June

The first 'Waterloo: Behind the Scenes' panel discussion centred around faith and sexuality during Pride Month will be here on Tuesday 20th June starting at 6.15 pm.

While faith and homosexuality have often been viewed as incompatible, this discussion seeks to challenge that perception and find ways to bridge the gap between them. And where better to host this talk than St John's Waterloo, an inclusive place of worship described as "one of the most inclusive churches in London, with a diverse and LGBT+ friendly congregation," (Gay Times).

Organised by WeAreWaterloo and hosted by St. John's very own Canon Giles Goddard, former chair of **[Inclusive Church](#)**, and including on the panel: Ruby Almeida, a Catholic LGBT advocate, Asifa Lahore a Muslim drag queen, Nathan Jones of Oasis Church Waterloo and Tom Ana, Assistant Manager London LGBT Centre.

£5. [To book follow this Eventbrite link](#)

CAN YOU HELP SUPPORT THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT?

SCM are a very progressive and well established organisation supporting students across the UK. We have been asked to become a 'Sponsoring Church' and support them with a donation of £200 annually. Would you like to contribute to that? If so please make a donation using the card reader in church and let one of the clergy or churchwardens know. Thank you!

CONFIRMATION SERVICE – 9th JULY

Sunday 9th July 4.30pm, we are hosting the deanery confirmation service. We already have three members of the church getting confirmed, and if you have not been, we'd love to invite you to think if this is something you would like to do. Confirmation is a chance for you to confirm your faith in God. If you are new or returning to faith, or have been in the church for some time, but are not confirmed, please do pray about it, and speak to Georgia for more information.

Georgia@stjohnswaterloo.org

SAFEGUARDING

St John's takes safeguarding very seriously.

St John's safeguarding officer is Elaine Thomas.

If you wish to speak to a safeguarding officer please contact Elaine via email at

safeguarding@stjohnswaterloo.org or through the Parish office.

More information can be found on the website.

STEWARDSHIP

This January we had two weeks looking and talking about stewardship and our giving. We are hugely thankful for all that has been given to the church for the building project over the past years! It has been a tremendous accomplishment.

We are asking if you might be able to pray and think about your regular giving to the life and ministry of St John's. To

consider if you can start a monthly donation, or increase your regular giving?

You can donate via our website donations page

<https://supportus.stjohnswaterloo.org/home>

or direct by bank transfer

Account name: The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Waterloo

Account number: 00022879

Sort code: 40-52-40

If you donate for the first time via bank transfer, please email Jane at finance@stjohnswaterloo.org to confirm.

Our Services

Morning Prayer at St John's

8.30am every day in the Lady Chapel except Thursday

Morning Eucharist at St Andrew's

8.30am Thursday

Lunchtime Eucharist at St John's

1.00pm Wednesday in the Lady Chapel

For Morning Prayer, we use Common Worship Daily Prayer. The services can be found here

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer> each day.

Sunday at St John's

9am A service of Iona style Morning Prayer

10.30am Parish Eucharist

We are currently worshipping online via Zoom and in person at St John's. Links to all of our services can be found on our new website

<https://stjohnswaterloo.org/worship/>

THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

Sunday
11th JUNE

INTERFAITH PICNIC for the CLIMATE

A family-friendly Interfaith Service, an outdoor Picnic & Eco Festival

St John's Church, Waterloo

11:00 am Interfaith Service
12:00 noon Picnic

Bring and share something vegan or vegetarian and a rug to sit on. Plates and cutlery provided.

Fun activities for children.

12:45 pm Eco Festival
Entertainment with music, dance, songs, poetry,
inspirational stories.

1:30 - 2:00 pm Interval

3:00 pm Close

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