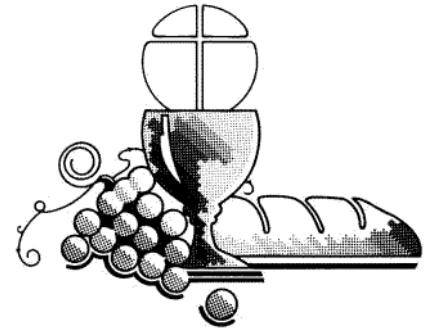


AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Audio Service

Holy Communion: 17th May 2020



Welcome and Introduction

Gathering Prayer

Minister: Come to this table
**All: to meet the living God,
love indescribable and
beyond our imagining
yet closer than our breathing.**

Minister: Come to this table
**All: to meet the risen Christ
flesh of our flesh,
bone of our bone,
God-with-us,
embodied in our living.**

Minister: Come to this table
**All: to meet the life-giving Spirit,
interpreting our search
for truth and justice,
breathing into us renewing power.**

Minister: Come to this table
**All: to find and meet the living God
made new for us in bread and wine.**

Invitation

As God revealed himself to Moses as one who is gracious and compassionate – so we come to communion conscious and thankful for all the ways that God has touched our lives with his compassion and grace.

For moments we have glimpsed his love for us...

For the gift of the Lord Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection speaking to us of grace, peace, hope and life...

For this bread and wine, symbols of remembrance and channels of grace...

Pour down your Holy Spirit upon us gracious and compassionate God – so that we may meet you afresh as we eat and drink with faith in our hearts.

So may this communion be to us a time when we glimpse something of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, crucified, risen and ascended.

Hymn: Brother, sister, let me serve you *27th January 2013*

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace
To let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
And companions on the road;
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the words you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping,
When you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
We shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, Sister, let me serve you,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant too.

Sursum Corda Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Sanctus Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Therefore, with all your people in heaven and on earth
we sing the resounding hymn of your glory.

**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.**

Accalmation **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Peace The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

Institution

On the night on which he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus, after he had given thanks took the bread and broke it saying: This is my body which is given for you, do this as often as you eat it in remembrance of me. That same night after supper he took the cup saying: This cup is the cup of the new covenant. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Choir: 'Here is bread' *Graham Kendrick 27th January 2013*

Here is bread, here is wine
God is with us, he is with us
Break the bread, taste the wine
Christ is with us here

Here is grace, here is peace
Christ is with us, he is with us
Know his grace, find his peace,
Feast on Jesus here.

In this bread, there is healing;
In this cup is life forever
In this moment, by the Spirit
Christ is with us here

Here we are, joined in one
Christ is with us, he is with us,
We'll proclaim, till he comes
Jesus crucified.

In this bread, there is healing;
In this cup is life forever
In this moment, by the Spirit
Christ is with us here

Reception

The gifts of God for the people of God.

The body of Christ was given for you...

The blood of Christ was shed for you...

We take a moment of quiet prayer as reflective music is played *arranged by Matthew*

*Light of the World
You stepped down into darkness
Open my eyes
Let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life
Spent with You*

*Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me*

Concluding Prayer

We have seen your glory here, O Lord,
may we see it in the world.
We have known your presence here, O Lord,
may we know it everywhere.
We have received your love here, O Lord,
may we give you ours.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing