

# Holy Communion – Huyton Parish Church

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 @ 10.30am

Mary Magdalene

## The Greeting

*The president greets the people*

Those who live, live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

*2 Corinthians 5.15*

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

This is the Lord's day

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Words of welcome or introduction may be said.*

## Hymn

**Jesus, stand among us  
at the meeting of our lives,  
be our sweet agreement  
at the meeting of our eyes;  
O Jesus, we love you ,  
so we gather here,  
join our hearts in unity  
and take away our fear.**

**So to You we're gathering,  
out of each and every land,  
Christ the love between us  
at the joining of our hands;  
O Jesus, we love you ,  
so we gather here,  
join our hearts in unity  
and take away our fear.**

**Jesus stand among us  
at the breaking of the bread;  
join us as one body  
as we worship You, our Head.  
O Jesus, we love you ,  
so we gather here,  
join our hearts in unity  
and take away our fear.**

**Graham Kendrick (b1950)  
1977 Kingsway's Thankyou Music**

## Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,  
Give us strength and determination to  
create more space in our lives for you.  
By your Holy Spirit open our ears and touch  
our hearts to understand your justice and**

**mercy, not only for ourselves but also for  
those who suffer  
injustice in the world; we ask this through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Invitation to confession

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:  
everything old has passed away; everything  
becomes new.

That we may put behind us all that is past,  
let us call to mind our sins.

*cf 2 Corinthians 5.17*

## Kyrie Confession

**Lord, in your love you invite us to be your  
friends:**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Lord, in your joy you choose us to go out  
and bear fruit:**

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, in your power you send us to be your  
faithful witnesses:**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*The president says*

Almighty God,  
who in Jesus Christ has given us  
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,  
forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's  
truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give  
you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Collect

*The Collect is said.*

Almighty God,  
whose Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of  
mind and body  
and called her to be a witness to his resurrection:  
forgive our sins and heal us by your grace, that  
we may serve you in the power of his risen  
life; who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Old Testament**  
**Song of Solomon 3.1-4**

*Asleep on my bed, night after night  
I dreamt of the one I love;  
I was looking for him, but couldn't find him.  
2 I went wandering through the city,  
through its streets and alleys.  
I looked for the one I love.  
I looked, but couldn't find him.  
3 The watchmen patrolling the city saw me.  
I asked them, "Have you found my lover?"  
4 As soon as I left them, I found him.  
I held him and wouldn't let him go  
until I took him to my mother's house,  
to the room where I was born.*

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 42. 1-10**

As the deer longs for the water brooks, ♦  
**so longs my soul for you, O God.**

My soul is athirst for God, even for the living  
God; ♦  
**when shall I come before the presence of  
God?**

My tears have been my bread day and night, ♦  
**while all day long they say to me, 'Where is  
now your God?'**

Now when I think on these things, I pour out my  
soul: ♦  
**how I went with the multitude  
and led the procession to the house of God,**

With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, ♦  
**among those who kept holy day.**

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, ♦  
**and why are you so disquieted within me?**

O put your trust in God; ♦  
**for I will yet give him thanks,  
who is the help of my countenance, and my  
God.**

My soul is heavy within me; ♦  
**therefore I will remember you from the  
land of Jordan, and from Hermon and the  
hill of Mizar.**

Deep calls to deep in the thunder of your  
waterfalls; ♦  
**all your breakers and waves have gone over  
me.**

The Lord will grant his loving-kindness in the  
daytime; ♦  
**through the night his song will be with  
me, a prayer to the God of my life.**

I say to God my rock,  
"Why have you forgotten me, ♦  
**and why go I so heavily, while the enemy  
oppresses me?'**

As they crush my bones, my enemies mock  
me; ♦  
**while all day long they say to me, 'Where is  
now your God?'**

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, ♦  
**and why are you so disquieted within me?**

O put your trust in God; ♦  
**for I will yet give him thanks,  
who is the help of my countenance, and my  
God.**

**New Testament**  
**2 Corinthians 5.14-17**

We are ruled by the love of Christ, now that we  
recognize that one man died for everyone, which  
means that all share in his death. <sup>15</sup>He died for  
all, so that those who live should no longer live  
for themselves, but only for him who died and  
was raised to life for their sake.

<sup>16</sup>No longer, then, do we judge anyone by human  
standards. Even if at one time we judged Christ  
according to human standards, we no longer do  
so. <sup>17</sup>Anyone who is joined to Christ is a new  
being; the old is gone, the new has come.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn**  
**Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
and His righteousness,  
and all these things  
shall be added unto you.**

**Allelu, alleluia**

**You shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God**

## Allelu, alleluia

**Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
seek and ye shall find;  
knock and it shall be opened unto you  
Allelu, alleluia**

*Joan Parson 1978 Thankyou Music*

## Gospel John 20.1-2. 11-18

Alleluia, **alleluia.**

Mary Magdalene announced to the disciples,  
**'I have seen the Lord.'**

**Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the entrance. <sup>2</sup>She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

### Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

<sup>11</sup>Mary stood crying outside the tomb. While she was still crying, she bent over and looked in the tomb <sup>12</sup>and saw two angels there dressed in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and the other at the feet.

<sup>13</sup>"Woman, why are you crying?" they asked her. She answered, "They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him!"

<sup>14</sup>Then she turned round and saw Jesus standing there; but she did not know that it was Jesus.

<sup>15</sup>"Woman, why are you crying?" Jesus asked her. "Who is it that you are looking for?"

She thought he was the gardener, so she said to him, "If you took him away, sir, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!"

She turned towards him and said in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (This means "Teacher".)

<sup>17</sup>"Do not hold on to me," Jesus told her, "because I have not yet gone back up to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am returning to him who is my Father and their Father, my God and their God."

<sup>18</sup>So Mary Magdalene went and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord and related to them what he had told her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## Praise to you, O Christ.

### Sermon Liz Collison

#### The Creed

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**Though he was divine,  
he did not cling to equality with God, but  
made himself nothing.  
Taking the form of a slave,  
he was born in human likeness.  
He humbled himself and was obedient to  
death, even the death of the cross.  
Therefore God has raised him on high, and  
given him the name above every name: that  
at the name of Jesus every knee should  
bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus  
Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the  
Father. Amen.**

*cf Philippians 2.6-11*

#### Hymn

**Kum ba yah, my Lord, Kum ba yah, x 3  
O Lord, Kum ba yah.**

**Someone's crying, Lord, Kum ba yah, x3**

**Someone's singing Lord, Kum ba yah, x 3**

**Someone's praying, Lord, Kum ba yah x 3**

#### Prayers of Intercession

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

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

#### The Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### Introduction to the Peace

God is love  
and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

*The gifts of the people may be gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. The president takes the bread and wine.*

## **Hymn**

**From heaven you came, helpless babe,  
entered our world, your glory veiled,  
not to be served but to serve,  
and give your life that we might live.**

**This is our God, the Servant King,  
He calls us now to follow him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the servant King.**

**There in the garden of tears  
my heavy load he chose to bear;  
His heart with sorrow was torn,  
"Yet not my will but yours", he said.  
This is our God.....**

**Come see his hands and his feet,  
the scars that speak of sacrifice,  
hands that flung stars into space  
to cruel nails surrendered.  
This is our God.....**

**So let us learn how to serve  
and in our lives enthrone him,  
each other's needs to prefer,  
for it is Christ we're serving.  
This is our God.....  
Graham Kendrick 1983 Make Way  
Music/Thankyou Music**

## **Prayer at the preparation of the table**

God of life and health,  
in your Son Jesus Christ  
we find the forgiveness of all that is past;  
grant that in this eucharist today  
we may find the healing of all our sins.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **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 and good,  
our duty and our salvation,  
to praise you Father, in every season,  
and on this holy day to celebrate the glory of your  
saints.

In Mary Magdalene you kindled a fire of love for  
Christ,  
whose word had set her free.  
You gave her the courage of love  
to follow him even to the cross.

Seeking her teacher after his death,  
so great was her longing  
that you made her the first to behold him  
risen from the dead,  
and the first to announce to the apostles  
his new and glorious risen life.

Her words still ring throughout your Church,  
to strengthen faith and encourage hope  
in those who gather faithfully for prayer.  
And so with her, and all the citizens of heaven,  
we join our voices to acclaim your glory  
in this their joyful hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in  
him and he in us.  
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for  
sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his  
friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he  
broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he  
gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant, which is  
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in  
remembrance of me.

**To you be glory and praise for ever**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising  
in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and  
this wine may be to us the body and blood of  
your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

### **The Lord's Prayer p178**

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.**

### **Giving of Communion**

*The president says the invitation to communion*

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*The president and people receive communion.*

*Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies*

**Amen.**

*During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.*

*Any consecrated bread and wine which is not required for purposes of communion is consumed at the end of the distribution or after the service.*

### **Prayer after Communion p182**

*Silence is kept.*

God of life and love,  
whose risen Son called Mary Magdalene by name  
and sent her to tell of his resurrection to his  
apostles:

in your mercy, help us, who have been united  
with him in this eucharist, to proclaim the good  
news that he is alive and reigns, now and for  
ever. **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.**

### **Hymn**

**At the name of Jesus  
Ev'ry knee shall bow,  
Ev'ry tongue confess him  
King of glory now;  
'tis the Father's pleasure  
we should call him Lord,  
who, from the beginning,  
was the mighty Word.**

**At his voice creation  
Sprang at once to sight,  
All the angels' faces,  
All the hosts of light,  
Thrones and dominations  
Stars upon their way,  
All the heav'nly orders  
In their great array.**

**Humbled for a season,  
To receive a name  
From the lips of sinners  
Unto whom he came,  
Faithfully he bore it,  
Spotless to the last,  
Brought it back victorious  
When from death he passed.**

**Bore it up triumphant  
With its human light,  
Through all ranks of creatures  
To the central height,  
To the throne of Godhead,  
To the Father's breast,  
Filled it with the glory  
Of that perfect rest.**

**In your hearts enthrone him;  
There let him subdue  
All that is not holy,  
All that is not true;  
Crown him as your captain**

**In temptation's hour;  
Let his will enfold you  
In its light and pow'r.**

**Truly , this Lord Jesus  
Shall return again,  
With his Father's glory,  
With his angel train;  
For all wreaths of empire  
Meet upon his brow,  
And our hearts confess him  
King of glory now.  
Caroline Maria Noel (1817-1877)**

## **The Dismissal**

### **Blessing**

May Christ, who makes saints of sinners,  
who has transformed those we remember today,  
raise and strengthen you that you may transform  
the world;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among  
you and remain with you always. **Amen**

### *A minister says*

Our worship is over,  
**Our Service begins.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The ministers and people depart.*

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