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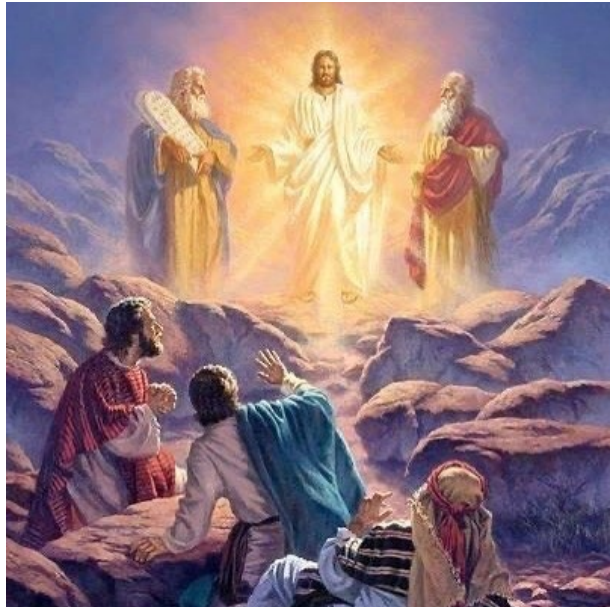
15th February 2026 – Sunday next before Lent

Informal Eucharist - 10.00

- Welcomers:** Velma Davis, Bridget Tongo
- Server:** Jenny Scotchmer
- Chalice:** Heather Gwynn, Anthony Sullivan
- Lessons:** Mary Martyn
- Preacher:** Mick Scotchmer
- Celebrant:** Mick Scotchmer
- Music:** Bill Gloyn

Mankind owns its own destiny, and its destiny is the earth. We are destroying it until we have no destiny.

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This week



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| Monday | 16 th Feb | 19.30 | Pastoral Committee |
| Wednesday | 18 th Feb | 20.00 | Sung Eucharist & Ashing |
| Friday | 20 th Feb | 10.00 | Eucharist |
| Sunday | 22 nd Feb | 10.00 | Parish Eucharist |
| | | 12.30 | Simple Lunch |

*During the service the words in normal type will be said by a leader and those in **bold** by all.*

HYMN 88 Bright the vision that delighted

GATHERING

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his mercy upon those who fear him.

Silence is kept for reflection.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he set our sins from us.

As a father has compassion on his children,
so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits.

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COLLECT

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

GLORIA

Tune: St Helen 453

**Glory be to God in heaven, peace on earth to Humankind.
Father, heavenly King, Creator, God of power undefined,
praise and honour, thanks we offer, worship you with heart and mind.**

**Jesus Christ, our Saviour, only Son of God by faith we know
Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer, love and mercy to us show;
seated at the Father's right hand, intercede for us below.**

**You alone, O Lord, are holy, Jesus Christ, you are Most High
with the Father and the Spirit; Trinity, to you we cry:
'Alleluia, alleluia!' - you, O God, we glorify.**

Please sit

FIRST READING

Exodus 24.12-18

¹²The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 105 Christ whose glory fills the skies

GOSPEL

Matthew 17.1-9

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

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

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

REFLECTION

HYMN 62 - Be still for the presence of the Lord
481 - Lord thy word abideth

PRAYER OF FAITH

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

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.

Please sit

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray in obedience to God's holy law and in adoration of his glory revealed in his Son.

As we have received your commandments, give to your Church a prophetic voice to declare them, that the glory of Christ may shine in all people ... Give us the light that we cannot find without your guidance.

Lord hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Look with pity on a world lacking direction and purpose ... Lighten the nations with the vision of truth revealed of old in your holy mountain.

Lord hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Grant to us, and to our families and friends, the desire to draw closer to Christ and to live our lives with him ... Speak to us through the Holy Spirit as you spoke to the prophets and apostles.

Lord hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Send the light of Christ into the darkness of those who are in need and distress at this time ... Give them the assurance of salvation.

Lord hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

We give thanks that the faithful departed are transfigured in the light of your love ... Give us grace to live according to your commandments and to follow in their steps.

Lord hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

May these our prayers be found worthy in the light of Christ, our guide in all our words and ways.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE

Please stand

'Where two or three are gathered together in my name,' says the Lord, 'there am I in the midst of them.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All are invited to greet and shake hands with their neighbour.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

HYMN 33 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

during this hymn, the gifts are brought to the table

A little water is added to the wine as the celebrant says quietly

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the Divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

**As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now united on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth
into your kingdom.**

Amen.

The celebrant washes his hands saying quietly;

Lord we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer you
with humble and contrite hearts.

Lord wash away our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.

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.

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your
glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

And now we give you thanks because you make us stewards of your creation,
to praise you day by day for the marvels of your wisdom and power.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing
your praise:

SANCTUS

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom forever adored.**

Tune: Slane 66

**The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

Please sit.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Jesus Christ will come again.

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with St Anne, St Andrew, St Edmund and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Amen.

And now, as Jesus 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.

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.

AGNUS DEI

**O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts
and take our sin away.**

Tune: Repton 152

**O Lamb of God, your grace impart,
and let our guilty fear depart,
have mercy, Lord, we pray,
have mercy, Lord we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, our lives restore,
our guilty souls release.**

**Into our lives your Spirit pour
and let us live for evermore
in perfect heav'nly peace,
in perfect heav'nly peace.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

We receive communion in a horseshoe shaped row inside the chairs. All remain in place until everyone has received.

Visitors: If you normally receive communion in your own church then you are welcome to receive the sacrament here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing. Please keep your hands down.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask 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.

NOTICES

FINAL BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,
scatter the darkness from before your path,
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN 5820 worship the King

N

We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.



E

Lent Course – Our Lent course will be on Wednesday evenings from 25th February to 25th March and will be held by Zoom. We will be using the diocesan Resurrection Journey material.

Games Evening Sunday 1st March 6.00pm – We will be having a games evening with a bring and share supper. There is a list at the back of Church.

Table Top Sale: Saturday 7th March 10-11.30am. Our first table top sale of the year, when we shall be raising funds for Haven House Children's Hospice. If you would like a table to sell your own goods, or can help on a St Anne's table, or with refreshments, please sign the list at the back of the church.

W

St Anne's Record – The next issue of our extended newsheet is due out at the start of March. Please let Mick have any articles in the next couple of weeks.

Valentine Singers - The next concert, Danube Discovery, is at St. Anne's on Saturday 28th February at 4.30pm. Advance tickets, available from Lindsey Archer: £15 for adults (£8 for students/benefit holders); on the door: £17 (£10). Free for under 16s.

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This week's music. - The music this week is mainly focused on historic works for Transfiguration Sunday. It obviously conveys a dramatic story that inspired composers from Benedictine monks of the 6th century until today. J S Bach wrote many pieces for this time as, traditionally, the normal cantatas were not sung in Leipzig during Lent.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for February: 2nd George Radford, 3rd Emily Brewis, 5th Gladys Travis, 6th Walter Rolfe, 16th Angela Birchnall, 17th Ted Bullied, 20th William Sherman, 21st Gordon Wilkinson, 22nd Beryl Lovitt, 23rd Arthur Runeckles, Victor Foster, 24th Dorothy Potter, Albert Gates, 25th Maureen Cope, Sheila Treadwell 26th Gladys Gloyn, Kenneth Gwynn, 27th Lillian Bates. 28th Teresa Carroll.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen