The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Parish of Welwyn, Welwyn Team, Diocese of St Albans

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 6TH JUNE 2021

8am Said Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship Order 1)

Welcome to church – it's great you are here. We think of those still shielding.

Please remember to maintain social distance with those outside your household, and sanitise your hands on entry. The wearing of face masks is now mandatory in places of worship unless you are exempt.

There will be some other differences in the service, which you will see by following this sheet.

If you are new to this church please introduce yourself to one of the clergy. There is an induction loop for those with hearing aids.

THE SERVICE BEGINS HERE:

Unfortunately the big difference is that we have to ask you not to sing! However the choir are able to lead our singing. Please remain seated.

Thou whose almighty word Chaos and darkness heard, And took their flight; Hear us, we humbly pray, And where the gospel day Sheds not its glorious ray Let there be light.

Thou who didst come to bring
On thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
Let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love, Life-giving, holy dove, Speed forth thy flight; Move o'er the waters' face, Bearing the lamp of grace, And in earth's darkest place Let there be light.

Blessed and holy Three, Glorious Trinity, Wisdom, Love, Might, Boundless as ocean's tide, Rolling in fullest pride, Through the world far and wide Let there be light.

Please stand

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

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

The minister introduces the confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The priest pronounces God's forgiveness

We remain standing to say:

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.

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.

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. Amen.

We remain standing for the collect:

Let us pray:

O God,
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We sit to listen to this Sunday's bible readings.

A reading from the Book of Genesis (3:8-15) (read by Tyler Jenkin)



⁸They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' ¹⁰He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself, 11He said, Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' 12The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' 13Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' 14The LORD God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (4:13-5:1)

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – 'I believed, and so I spoke' – we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

¹For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to face the gospel which is greeted with an organ fanfare

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (3:20-35) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁰The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

 $^{28} Truly~I~tell~you,~people~will~be~forgiven~for~their~sins~and~whatever~blasphemies~they~utter;~^{29} but~whoever~blasphemes~against~the~Holy~Spirit~can~never~have~forgiveness,~but~is~guilty~of~an~eternal~sin'~-~^{30} for~they~had~said,~'He~has~an~unclean~spirit.'$

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they

said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' ³³And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit for the Sermon: John Burnapp, Reader

maker of heaven and earth,

Please stand to affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

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.

Please sit or kneel for the intercessions

Sick: Ruby Wiseman, Ann Gurney, John Lavelle, Vickie Harris, Alice Burnapp, Joan Gould, John Allday, Beth Bates, Pauline Lebeau, Joan Webb, Graeme Emery

Departed: Robert Hill, Poppy Richards, Daphne Smart, Bryan Parkes

We use the following response

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

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

Please stand for The Peace, which the priest introduces with a sentence from Scripture

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

Do feel free to say 'Peace be with you' to your neighbours, but please refrain from sharing it physically.

The choir sings:

1 Jesus, Lord, we look to thee, let us in thy name agree: show thyself the Prince of peace; bid all strife for ever cease.

2 Make us of one heart and mind, courteous, pitiful, and kind, lowly, meek in thought and word, altogether like our Lord.

3 Let us for each other care, each the other's burden bear; to thy church the pattern give, show how true believers live.
4 Free from anger and from pride, let us thus in God abide; all the depths of love express, all the heights of holiness.

The collection plate is not being passed round during the offertory hymn at the moment. Please support the work of your parish church by leaving your donation on the plate as you leave at the end of the service, or by donating online on the church's website www.welwyn.org.uk. Thank you.

The priest gives thanks over the bread and over the wine

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please remain standing throughout the prayer, but sit if you need to

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 truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day vou summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise: Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine

The choir sings:

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.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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. So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please kneel or sit

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.

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 Choir sings:

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us (x2)
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please come forward to receive communion at the Nave Altar. Communion will be given in one kind only (the bread), and received standing. Please form a socially distanced queue, returning to your place via the side aisles. If you have your own hand sanitizer this would be good time to use it (please do not borrow from neighbour). Baptised Christians are welcome to receive the bread, all others are welcome to come for a blessing (please indicate this by crossing your arms and bowing your head).

Music during communion:
Anthem: 'Christ whose glory fills the skies' by Margaret Hobbs

We pray together:

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.

We sit as the notices and banns of marriage are announced.

We sit and listen (and hum along, or sing along at home) to the hymn:

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions. All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus. All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger. All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome.

The priest says the blessing ending:

...be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The ministers and people depart.

The organist plays a voluntary – Allegro con brio, 1st movement from Sonata No IV in B flat by Mendelssohn

Please take this booklet with you

(this is more directive than usual we don't want booklets hanging around that others will have to clear up).

All are welcome to coffee in Church House.

Please sanitize hands on entry, respect social distance and wear
masks when not seated at a table.

The Church Office hours are: Mon, Tues - 9-1pm & Fridays - 9-12noon

Clergy surgery (particularly for bookings of marriages and baptisms) is open on Saturday 10-11am.

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Change of address for Catherine & Stephen Jupp - from June 7th

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Mobiles and email addresses remain the same but no landline number

S: 07825673021 C: 07811255311 A note of thanks – I would just like to say thank you for all the wonderful support & love I have received from our friends at St Mary's at what has been a most difficult time. I've had numerous cards and messages & am very grateful. Also thank you to those that were able to attend his funeral and to David for joining Jenny at St Francis and making it a most wonderful service. Rob would have loved it. Carole Moore-Hill

Bryan Parkes – We are indebted to him for designing and producing the three different versions of the nativity scene which have alternately adorned the glass porch doors at the church for over 10 years or so. Bryan also produced a wonderful depiction for the 100^{th} centenary of World War 1 in 2018. They were all hand painted on his conservatory floor. We send our condolences to Anne and the family. RIP Bryan.

A note of thanks - Alice and I would like to say thank you to everyone for praying for us over the last 12 months. Alice will remain on the prayer list, she has been making slow but steady progress since her discharge from the Lister hospital at the end of February and is gradually getting better. I have taken myself off the prayer list as I am now well and will soon have the feeling back in my hand after the operation in July last year. Thank you all once again, your prayers have been so important to us. John Burnapp.

June Organ recital will be 12th June at 11.15am

Physical audiences are allowed do come along and enjoy. Linden will play a programme of English music. This will also be live streamed.

Activities re-starting back in Church House

Monday Patchwork Club & Walking Group - Monday 21st June

Feedback from Lent Groups Saturday 10th July at 10.30am in Church House

Feedback from the Lent Groups suggested that many were struck by its contents and wanted to in some way, follow up the issues involved. In order to find out how we might best do that, we are very pleased that Su Blanch has agreed to facilitate an open-to-all meeting that morning. The meeting will last from 10.30-12, do come along.



Diary of Weekly Events

Sunday 6 th June	6.30pm	Sacred Space at Datchworth
Monday	5.00pm 9 <i>.00pm</i>	Evening Prayer at Tewin Compline on line
Tuesday	8.30am 10.00am	Morning Prayer at Codicote Community Café
Wednesday	9.00am 9.30am 10.30am <i>10.30am</i> 7.30pm	Morning Prayer at Welwyn Eucharist at Welwyn Stable Lads in Church House Bible Study via zoom Ministry Team Meeting
Thursday	5pm 9 <i>pm</i>	Evening Prayer at Datchworth Compline on line
Friday	9.30am 6.15pm 7.45pm	Morning Prayer at WG Welwyn Tune Choir
Saturday	9.00am 10.00am	Parish Prayers at Welwyn Clergy Surgery

Sunday 13th June - 2nd Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	Eucharist
9.30am	Parish Eucharist
6.30pm	Evening Prayer

Next Week's Readings:

Ezekiel 17: 22-end

2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 11-13, 14-17

Mark 4: 26-34