

Thursday

Eucharist

Commissioned – for the sake of
God's world



**Chosen,
Called,
Commissioned**

In this final Eucharist of the conference, we draw together all that we have learned and experienced in the past few days and receive God's blessing and commissioning, sending us out for the sake of God's world.

We are honoured to have a keynote sermon from The Rt Revd Dr Howard Gregory OJ, Archbishop of the West Indies until his retirement at the end of 2024. Bishop Gregory was elected as Archbishop of the West Indies in May 2019, having served as Bishop of Montego Bay from 2002 to 2012 and then as Bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands from 2012.

There are suggestions for posture throughout the service, maintaining the ancient tradition of standing for praise and collective prayer. These are invitations rather than suggestions, and you are always welcome to remain seated or to take up a more comfortable posture.

Communion will be administered at various stations around the Derbyshire Hall. Gluten-free wafers are available. In line with the diocesan guidance, please do not intinct (dip) your wafer in the chalice: this does not protect either you or others, and affects those who have problems with gluten.

You are invited to stand if you are comfortably able.

The Gathering

President Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;

All **Blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever.**

Amen.

President Peace be with you

All **And also with you.**

President Alleluia, Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The president introduces the service, which continues with a time of sung worship. Please stand, sit, kneel, prostrate, or use whatever posture and/ or movement is helpful for you.

Sung Worship

You are here, moving in our midst

I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, working in this place

I worship you, I worship you.

Way maker, miracle worker,

promise keeper, light in the darkness:

my God, that is who you are.

You are here, touching every heart

I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, turning lives around,

I worship you, I worship you.

Way maker, miracle worker,

promise keeper, light in the darkness:

my God, that is who you are.

You wipe away all tears, you mend the broken heart,

you're the answer to it all, Jesus.

**Worthy of every song we could ever sing,
worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
we live for you, oh, we live for you.**

**Jesus, the Name above every other name
Jesus, the only One who could ever save
worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
we live for you, we live for you.**

**Holy, there is no one like you
there is none beside you
open up my eyes in wonder
and show me who you are
and fill me with your heart
and lead me in your love to those around me.**

**And I will build my life upon Your love
it is a firm foundation.
And I will put my trust in You alone
and I will not be shaken.**

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Confession

Deacon **How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger
who brings good news, who announces peace.**

**In God's presence, let us acknowledge
how we have fallen short of our calling
to be messengers of peace and to announce good news.**

*The cantor will sing the verses in regular type; please join in singing the
text in bold. Please sit or kneel, or remain standing if you prefer.*

Kyrie eleison (**Kyrie eleison**)

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Lord of reconciliation, heal our wounds in darkest times:

Kyrie eleison (**Kyrie eleison**).

In the midst of fear and violence,

make our lives a prayer of peace

Christe eleison (**Christe eleison**).

Healer of the broken-hearted, guide us to heaven's shores

Kyrie eleison (**Kyrie eleison**)

Kyrie eleison (**Kyrie eleison**).

Words and Music: Matt Maher

Absolution

President May the Father forgive you
by the death of his Son
and strengthen you
to live in the power of the Spirit all your days.

All **Amen.**

You are invited to stand if you are comfortably able.

The Collect

President Let us pray:

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
send us out in the power of the same Spirit
to witness to your truth
and to draw all to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit.

First Reading

Isaiah 52: 7–10

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news, who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'
Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy;
for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion.
Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the Lord has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.
The Lord has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

Reader For the word of the Lord:

All **Thanks be to God.**

You are invited to stand if you are comfortably able.

Song

**How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him
who brings good news, good news,
announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness.
Our God reigns; our God reigns!**

***Our God reigns! our God reigns!
Our God reigns! our God reigns!***

Gospel Reading

Luke 24: 30–35

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Then Jesus called the twelve together and gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal. He said to them, ‘Take nothing for your journey, no staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor money—not even an extra tunic. Whatever house you enter, stay there, and leave from there. Wherever they do not welcome you, as you are leaving that town shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.’ They departed and went through the villages, bringing the good news and curing diseases everywhere.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him
who brings good news, good news,
announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness.
Our God reigns; our God reigns!**

***Our God reigns! our God reigns!*
*Our God reigns! our God reigns!***

Words and Music: Leonard E Smith (b. 1942)

Please sit.

Sermon

The Rt Revd Dr Howard Gregory OJ
formerly Archbishop of the West Indies

Re-Commissioning for Ministry

We offer to God our ministry, in all its sorrows, difficulties, and joys, and we hear again the call of God, commissioning us to his service.

You are invited to receive prayer and anointing for healing and commissioning into God's service; please move to one of the anointing stations. You may prefer to remain in your seat and pray with a neighbour, or alone. During this time, the worship band will play.

The time of prayer and anointing concludes:

President God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us into the fellowship
of your universal Church:
hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each one may be an instrument of your love,
and give to each of your servants the needful gifts of grace;
through your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

You are invited to stand if you are comfortably able.

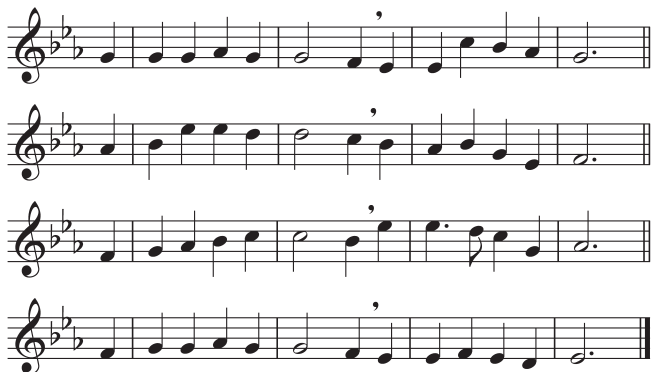
The Peace

President Christ came and proclaimed the gospel:
peace to those who are far off
and peace to those who are near.

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

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory



The church's one Foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation,
by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy Bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder,
we see her sore opprest,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distrest;
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

Words: S J Stone (1839–1900)

Music: Aurelia, S S Wesley (1810–1876)

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President God of love, you shaped your purposes
for your chosen people and your church
before the foundation of the world;
and you knew each one of us
before you formed us in the womb.
You have given your people tongues to speak your name,
prophecy to see your works and faith to see your power;
but most of all you have given us love to imitate your life.
In that love your Son laid down his life for us on the cross,
and through that love you raised him to glorious life.
Moved by that love,
and inspired by the tongues of angels and archangels,
we join the heavenly song of everlasting praise:

All sing **Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty;
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty;
who was, and is, and is to come,
who was, and is, and is to come:
lift up his name with the sound of singing,
lift up his name in all the earth,
lift up your voice and give him glory,
for he is worthy to be praised!**

Words and Music: Nathan Fellingham

President 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.

All sing **The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
torn for you: eat and remember
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,
paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of his sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of love
around the table of the King.**

President 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.

All sing **The blood that cleanses every stain of sin
shed for you: drink and remember
he drained death's cup that all may enter in,
to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of his sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of grace
around the table of the King.**

President 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Birinus, Frideswide 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.

All sing **Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
slain for us: and we remember:
the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life,
and we drink of his sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of peace
around the table of the King.**

Please sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

President As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All say **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

All say **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

All sing **And so with thankfulness and faith
We rise to respond: and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on Earth
As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.**

Invitation to Communion

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

All **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Anthem

Post Communion Prayer

When all have received Communion and returned to their seats, we keep a time of silence together. After this, we stand if able to pray.

All **Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Blessing

President Go out into the world in peace;
have courage; hold onto what is good;
return no one evil for evil;
strengthen the faint-hearted;
support the weak, and help the suffering;
honour all people; love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be amongst you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Dismissal Gospel

John 20: 21–22

Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Dismissal

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

Hymn



**Lord, you give the great commission:
'Heal the sick and preach the word.'
Lest the Church neglect its mission
and the Gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you call us to your service:
'In my name baptize and teach.'
That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervour, draw us
closer in community;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you make the common holy:
'This my body, this my blood.'
Let us all, for earth's true glory,
daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us
share your children's liberty;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you show us love's true measure:
'Father, what they do, forgive.'
Yet we hoard as private treasure
all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you bless with words assuring:
'I am with you to the end.'
Faith and hope and love restoring
may we serve as you intend,
and amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.**

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