



Parish Eucharist

for the Fifth Sunday of Easter
followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

18th May 2025
10am



ST MARGARET'S
PUTNEY

Welcome to St Margaret's, Putney

St Margaret's is a diverse and friendly community in leafy West Putney. A space to meet God, to connect with others, celebrate life and find support when we need it most. We are building a vibrant community and making a positive change, through prayer, friendship, charity and care of the environment.

Our services and music are rooted in the traditions of the Church of England. We want church to be inclusive, thought-provoking and fun, and we strive to make God's Word relevant and connected to everyday life. People of all ages fully participate in Sunday Mornings and activities throughout the week.

Whether you want to be part of something bigger or need a quiet moment to yourself, there's a warm welcome waiting for you here at the heart of your community.

St Margaret's Putney. Reflect. Connect. Grow.

Welcome to St Margaret's. The church operates a hearing loop system. Please turn your hearing aid to the "T" position. Please take a moment before our service begins to pray.

Introit

Bless the Lord, my soul,
and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul,
who leads me into life.

'By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Please stand to sing the hymn:

Blessed city, heavenly Salem,
vision dear of peace and love,
who of living stones upbuilt
art the joy of heaven above,
and with angel cohorts circled
as a bride dost earthward move.

Bright with pearls her portals glitter,
they are open evermore;
and, by virtue of his merits,
thither faithful souls may soar,
who for Christ's dear name in this world
pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture
fashioned well those stones elect,
in their places now compacted
by the heavenly architect,
who therewith hath willed for ever
that his palace should be decked.

To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy servants as they pray
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls away.

Christ is made the sure foundation
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the church in one,
holy Sion's help for ever
and her confidence alone.

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Latin c 7th century

Tr J M Neale 1818-66

Adapted from Purcell's Alleluyas 1843

The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
All He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Please be seated for the welcome.

All 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.

Prayers of Penitence

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

All **Almighty God,
our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour in
thought and word and deed:
through negligence, through
weakness, through our own
deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent
of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son
Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and
grant that we may serve you
in newness of life to the
glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives
all who truly repent, have
mercy upon you, pardon and
deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in
all goodness and keep you in
life eternal; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

Please stand as you are able.

The Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ has overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated for the reading.

*Children may go through to
Sunday School.*

Acts 11:1-18

A reading from the book of the Acts of the Apostles.

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa

praying and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning and I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John

baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced; and they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’

The reader concludes:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come, bow before him now
with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.**

BE STILL

David J. Evans b. 1957

John 10:22-30

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to John.

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

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.” I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are

my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to You, O Christ.

The Gospel is followed by a voluntary.

The Vicar's Report on 2024

Please be seated.

Please stand for the creed.

Let us declare our faith in God:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All 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; 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Please be seated.

Let us pray for the whole
church of God in Christ Jesus
and for all people according
to their needs.

The response is:

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

The intercessions conclude:

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

The Peace

The congregation stands.

The risen Christ came and
stood among his disciples and
said, 'Peace be with you'. Then
they were glad when they saw
the Lord.

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

Let us offer one another a
sign of peace.

The peace is shared.

The Collection

- *Please fill in a gift-aid envelope if you are a UK tax payer.*
- *A machine for card donations will circulate with the plate.*
- *Contactless Machines are also available at the back of church.*
- *Or you can go straight to our secure giving page by scanning the QR code:*



Please stand to sing the offertory hymn.

Thy hand, O God, has guided
thy flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written,
full clear, on every page.
Our fathers owned thy goodness
and we their deeds record;
and both of this bear witness,
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Thy heralds brought glad tidings
to greatest, as to least.
They bade men rise and hasten
to share the great King's feast;
and this was all their teaching,
in every deed and word
to all alike proclaiming
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

When shadows thick were falling,
 And all seemed sunk in night,
 Thou, Lord, didst send thy servants,
 Thy chosen sons of light.
 Their Gospel of redemption,
 Sin pardoned, man restored,
 Was all in this enfolded
 one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

And we, shall we be faithless?
 Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
 Shall we evade the conflict
 and cast away our crown?
 Not so: in God's deep counsels
 some better thing is stored;
 we will maintain, unflinching,
 one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us,
 nor leave thy work undone.
 With thy right hand to help us,
 the victory shall be won;
 and then, by all men and angels,
 thy name shall be adored
 and this shall be their anthem,
 one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

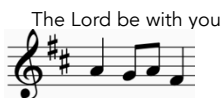
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 Edward Plumptre 1821-91
 Basil Harwood 1859-1949

Prayer over the Gifts

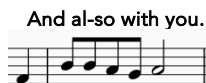
Blessed are you, Lord God of all
 creation. In your loving care you
 spread before us the table of life
 and give us the cup of salvation to
 drink. Keep us always in the fold
 of our Saviour and our Shepherd,
 your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All things come from you,
 and of your own do we give you.

The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you



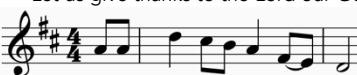
And al-so with you.

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.

The congregation is seated.

It is indeed right, our duty and
 our joy, always and
 everywhere to give you
 thanks, almighty and eternal
 Father, and in these days of
 Easter to celebrate with joyful
 hearts the memory of your
 wonderful works, for by the
 mystery of his passion Jesus
 Christ, your risen Son, has
 conquered the powers of
 death and hell and restored in
 men and women the image of
 your glory. He has placed
 them once more in paradise
 and opened to them the gate
 of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this
Passover, earth and heaven
resound with gladness, while
angels and archangels and the
powers of all creation sing for
ever the hymn of your glory:

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

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly
Father, through your Son our
Saviour Jesus Christ and, as we
follow his example and obey his
command, grant that by the
power of your Holy Spirit these
gifts of bread and wine may be
to us his body and his blood;

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.

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we
remember his offering of
himself made once for all upon
the cross, we proclaim his
mighty resurrection and
glorious ascension, we look for
the coming of your kingdom
and with this bread and this
cup we make the memorial of
Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith.

All

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great
high priest, this our sacrifice
of thanks and praise and as
we eat and drink these holy
gifts in the presence of your
divine majesty, renew us by
your Spirit, inspire us with
your love and unite us in the
body of your Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Through him and with him
and in him, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, with all who stand
before you in earth and
heaven, we worship you,
Father almighty, in songs of
everlasting praise:



Blessing and honour and glory and power



be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Silence is held.

As we look for the coming of the kingdom, so we pray:

All 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.

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,

All we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is
sacrificed for us.

All Alleluia! Let us keep the feast.

The Communion

- *All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Communion.*
- *The sacrament is distributed from front and back of church. Please follow the sides-persons instructions.*
- *If you would like a blessing please bow your head to indicate this.*

*The choir sing 'Lead Kindly Light' by
J.H. Newman (1801-1890)
and H. Goodall (b. 1958)*

Prayers after Communion

Living God, your Son made
himself known to his disciples in
the breaking of bread: open
the eyes of our faith, that we
may see him in all his
redeeming work; who is alive
and reigns, now and for ever.

All Amen.

All 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.

*The notices are given.
The children present their work.
Please stand for the final hymn.*

Angel-voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art near us
and wilt hear us? Yes, we can.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer,
all unworthily,
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
blessed Trinity.
Of the best which thou hast given
earth and heaven render thee.

*ANGEL VOICES
Francis Pott 1832-1909
E G Monk 1819-1900*

All The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

May Christ, who out of defeat
brings new hope and a new
future, fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God
almighty, the Father, the Son and
the Holy Spirit, be among you
and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
All **In the name of Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

*Chorale Prelude: Fantasia super Komm, Heiliger
Geist BWV 651 – J.S. Bach (1685-1750).
Please join us for refreshments in the kitchen
after the service before the meeting begins.*