



2024 - 'Following Jesus with the Northern Saints'

Fourth Sunday of Easter - 21st April 2024

Please join us for our Online Broadcast at 9:30am on our Facebook Page

The Welcome & introduction

Please follow the service from the Eastertide booklet

First Hymn

Christ is made the sure Foundation,

Christ the Head and Corner-stone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
Binding all the Church in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody,
God the One in Three adoring
In glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy servants as they pray,
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls away.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
What they ask of thee to gain,
What they gain from thee for ever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in thy glory
Evermore with thee to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three, and ever One,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run.

Collect

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of
your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice and to
follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered
into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

First Reading

1 John 3: 16-24

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is:
Jesus Christ laid down his life for us.
And we ought to lay down our lives for
our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ If anyone
has material possessions and sees a
brother or sister in need but has no
pity on them, how can the love of God
be in that person? ¹⁸ Dear children, let
us not love with words or speech but
with actions and in truth.
¹⁹ This is how we know that we belong
to the truth and how we set our hearts
at rest in his presence: ²⁰ If our hearts
condemn us, we know that God is
greater than our hearts, and he knows
everything.

²¹ Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²² and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. ²⁴ The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

The God of love my Shepherd is,

And he that doth me feed;
While he is mine and I am his,
What can I want or need?

He leads me to the tender grass,
Where I both feed and rest;
Then to the streams that gently pass:
In both I have the best.

Or if I stray, he doth convert,
And bring my mind in frame,
And all this not for my desert,
But for his holy name.

Yea, in death's shady black abode
Well may I walk, not fear;
For thou art with me, and thy rod
To guide, thy staff to bear.

Surely thy sweet and wondrous love
Shall measure all my days;
And, as it never shall remove,
So neither shall my praise.

GEORGE HERBERT (1593 - 1632)

Gospel Reading

John 10: 11 –18

Alleluia, Alleluia,

I am the first and the last, says the Lord,
and the living one:

I was dead and behold I am alive for
evermore.

Alleluia!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

Glory to you O Lord.

¹¹ "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn during preparation of the Table

I will sing the wondrous story

Of the Christ who died for me, -
How He left the realms of glory
For the cross of Calvary.

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me, -
Sing it with His saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.

I was lost: but Jesus found me,
Found the sheep that went astray,
Raised me up and gently led me
Back into the narrow way.
Days of darkness still may meet me,
Sorrow's path I oft may tread;
But His presence still is with me,
By His guiding hand I'm led.

He will keep me till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet:
Then He'll bear me safely over,
Made by grace for glory meet.
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me, -
Sing it with His saints in glory,
Gathered by the crystal sea.

During Communion

The choir may sing an anthem

Hymn -

In heavenly love abiding,

No change my heart shall fear;
And safe is such confiding,
For nothing changes here.
The storm may roar without me,
My heart may low be laid,
But God is round about me,
And can I be dismayed?

Wherever He may guide me,
No want shall turn me back;
My shepherd is beside me,
And nothing can I lack.
His wisdom ever waketh,
His sight is never dim,
He knows the way He taketh,
And I will walk with Him.

Green pastures are before me,
Which yet I have not seen;
Bright skies will soon be o'er me,
Where darkest clouds have been.
My hope I cannot measure,
My path to life is free,
My Saviour has my treasure,
And He will walk with me.

Final Hymn

In Christ alone my hope is found,

He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and
storm.

What heights of love, what depths of
peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings
cease!

My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied -
For ev'ry sin on him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am his and he is mine -
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from his hand;
Till he returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

organ voluntary :

Allegro Moderato from
The Temple Church Suite -
John Stanley (1712 - 1786)

Electoral Roll & APCM Meeting

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), which is where we elect our church officers, is being held
Tomorrow Evening
Monday 22nd April
at 7:00pm in St. Paul's Church.

Brew Time

Every Wednesday from 8.50am-11am in St Paul's Centenary Room.
Serving tea, coffee, toast, crumpets and cakes!
There's always a warm and friendly welcome.
Do join us we would love to see you.
Kath & Jacqui, Bev & John

Parish Prayer with Marina Walker

Weekly on Wednesdays during the school term in St. Paul's Church on the sofas 9:00—10:00am

Welcome Cafe

Meet weekly on Wednesdays during the school term in St. Paul's Church Centenary Room 3:00—5:00pm



St Lawrence
with St Paul
Longridge

Next Sunday's Services - April 28th 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30am 'Service of Holy Communion' at St. Paul's Church/Live stream

11:15am 'Informal Service' at St. Paul's Church/Live stream

6:30pm 'Service of Evensong' at St. Lawrence's Church

Those Departed - Rest In Peace

Edward (Eddie) Paynter
Alan Edward Marsh
Joyce Harrison
Dennis Hodson
Barbara Willan



Afternoon Tea



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May
18
3:30 PM

St. Paul's Church,
Longridge, PR3 3WG
Centenary Room

SPEAK TO ANY BRIGADE LEADER OR
EMAIL OLIVIASTEWART@CLCGB.ORG.UK
FOR TICKETS

£10
Adults

A selection of homemade cakes and sandwiches made by our members

We will also be holding a raffle with a wide range of goodies to win

£5
Children

Church Brigade— Afternoon Teas

Takes place **Saturday May 18th at 3:30pm** in St. Paul's Church Centenary Room.
Speak to any Brigade leader or email OLIVIASTEWART@CLCGB.ORG.UK for tickets or details