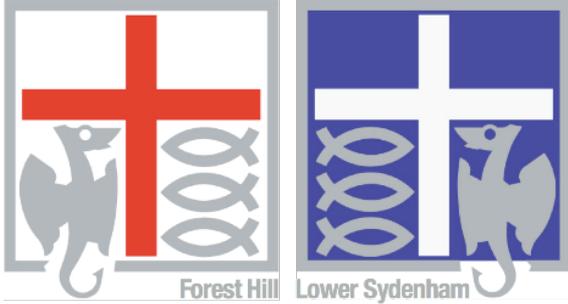


St GEORGE + St MICHAEL



Join our worship at St Michael Church Sydenham, London. Please join my meeting from your telephone, computer, tablet or smartphone.

We are now using Zoom every Sunday.

For telephones: Meeting ID: 765 4933 2409

- One tap mobile:
+442034815240,,76549332409# or +441314601196,,76549332409#
- Dial any of the numbers below – all work for the UK
+44 203 481 5240
+44 131 460 1196
+44 203 051 2874
+44 203 481 5237
and the meeting ID is: 765 4933 2409
- For devices like smartphones, tablets and computer, please join the Zoom meeting by clicking <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/76549332409>

Any questions, please ask Rev'd Ifeanyi Chukuka ifeanchuks@yahoo.com

During the service, people will be muted/unmuted as and when to control the audio experience of the service.

The Service liturgy starts on the next page.

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 30th AUGUST 2020

The Gathering

The Priest welcomes everyone and announces the first hymn

Hymn **Be Still For the Presence of the Lord**

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.

Music & words: David J. Evans (b. 1957) Copyright © 1986 Thankyou Music

President Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

All We will rejoice and be glad in it.

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.**

The Prayer 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.

Lord Jesus, you wept over the sins of your city.

On our city: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division, jealousy and bitterness.

On us: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner.

Grant us peace: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

The minister may use these or other suitable words.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness
draw *us* to himself,
and cleanse *us* from all *our* sins
that we may behold the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

**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.**

The Collect

**God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading Exodus 3:1 - 15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³ Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' ⁴ When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' ⁵ Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' ⁶ He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' ¹¹ But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' ¹² He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you

that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.’

¹³ But Moses said to God, ‘If I come to the Israelites and say to them, “The God of your ancestors has sent me to you”, and they ask me, “What is his name?” what shall I say to them?’ ¹⁴ God said to Moses, ‘I AM WHO I AM.’ He said further, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “I AM has sent me to you.”’ ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you”’:

This is my name for ever,
and this my title for all generations.

At the end, the reader says

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Gospel Reading Matthew 16: 21 - end

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Matthew*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, ‘God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.’ ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.’

²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?’

²⁷ ‘For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.’

At the end, the reader says:

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

Short Talk

The Creed

**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

The response to 'Lord, in your mercy' is 'Hear our prayer' or to 'Lord, hear us', 'Lord, graciously hear us.'

At the end of the intercessions the leader says

Merciful Father

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

The Peace

The minister may use these or other suitable words.

Jesus says to his disciples, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid.' The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

We offer those near to us a sign of peace. We say to each other, "Peace be with you", and respond, "and also with you".

Offertory

This church relies on donations to provide care and support to everyone in this community. Now more than ever, please consider giving generously to support our mission and ministry. Thank you for your support. Collection can be made by online transfer or cheques payable to 'ST MICHAELS&ANG' Sort code 20-49-81 Account No. 80800007; you can also put money into your envelopes to give to church when it reopens.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this money to offer, the fruit of our labour and of the skills you have given us. Take us and our possessions to do your work in the world.

Blessed be God forever.

Lord, as we give our resources, we surrender our whole beings to you in worship and adoration. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

We say together the prayer Jesus taught his friends:

**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 Blessing

The minister will say a prayer followed by:

The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy be and remain with you,
now and forever.

Amen.

Recessional Hymn - 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger

Your name is great and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Chorus

[Interlude]

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore
Forevermore

Chorus x2

I'll worship Your holy name

Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name
Jesus, I will, worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name

Music & words: Matt Redman

The Dismissal

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