

# **Welcome** to Penicuik: St Mungo's Parish Church online



**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020**

**This act of worship has been prepared to allow us to spend some time with God, knowing that others are sharing in it.**

**We thank all the team involved in creating and distributing this service, and praise God for his unchanging character and unfailing love.**

**This order of service is for you to use as you are able: some of you may wish simply to read it, whether silently or aloud. Others may wish to listen, and even join in with the singing: just click on the links.**

**If you want to join in the whole service, follow the link which you'll find on our website: [www.stmungos.freeuk.com](http://www.stmungos.freeuk.com) Full Video <https://youtu.be/Zvnf2j6wmS8>**

**And if you would like to listen to just the sermon and a prayer, dial [01968 700121](tel:01968700121). There will be about 20 seconds' silence, after which the recording should start.**

## **WELCOME**

Welcome to St Mungo's. We're glad you can join us.

Today we are celebrating Holy Communion.

If you are joining us from home and would like to put aside some bread and wine (or something which would represent them), please retain them until the appropriate part of the service and consume them reverently and thankfully.

If you would rather not participate, you are equally welcome to listen and enjoy spiritual communion with Christ and 'feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving'.

## **HYMN: Rejoice, the Lord is King!**

Watch video at <https://youtu.be/aDFAv0eh-s8>

Rejoice, the Lord is King!  
Your Lord and King adore!  
Mortals, give thanks and sing  
and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice,  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Saviour reigns,  
the God of truth and love.  
When he had purged our stains  
he took his seat above.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice,  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail,  
he rules o'er earth and heaven.  
The keys of death and hell  
are to our Jesus given.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice,  
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope,  
Jesus the judge shall come  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice,  
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Public Domain  
Sung by the congregation and choirs of St Alban's Cathedral*

## **PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
in ourselves we have no right to be here,  
and yet your love compels us to come in.  
We confess that left to our own devices  
we are weak, foolish and sinful:  
our faults and failings  
are part of the burden  
you carried on the cross.

We come at your invitation,  
conscious of the privilege.

We come at your request,  
conscious of how little we deserve it.  
We come at your bidding,  
conscious of all that we owe you.  
We come at your instruction,  
conscious of our dependence on your grace.

Draw near to us, in your mercy,  
so that we may draw closer to you.  
Fill us with your love  
and renew us by your Spirit,  
so that we may walk  
where you would lead us,  
and live more faithfully as your disciples  
to your praise and glory. **Amen**

*After a prayer by Nick Fawcett*



Master of the Joseph  
Sequence.

*Joseph thrown into a  
pit by his brothers,*  
Brussels, 1490-1500

Paintings in the Bode-  
Museum, Berlin

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## THE STORY SO FAR

Jacob's son Joseph is hated by his brothers who are jealous of him because he is his father's favourite.

They also hate him because of the God-given dreams he has had, dreams that indicate that they will one day bow down before him.

The stage is now set for a confrontation.

**BIBLE READING****Genesis 37: 12-34****Reader: Bill Webster****New English Translation (NET)**

When his brothers had gone to graze their father's flocks near Shechem, Israel said to Joseph, "Your brothers are grazing the flocks near Shechem. Come, I will send you to them." "I'm ready," Joseph replied. So Jacob said to him, "Go now and check on the welfare of your brothers and of the flocks, and bring me word." So Jacob sent him from the valley of Hebron.

When Joseph reached Shechem, a man found him wandering in the field, so the man asked him, "What are you looking for?" He replied, "I'm looking for my brothers. Please tell me where they are grazing their flocks." The man said, "They left this area, for I heard them say, 'Let's go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan.

Now Joseph's brothers saw him from a distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this master of dreams! Come now, let's kill him, throw him into one of the cisterns, and then say that a wild animal ate him. Then we'll see how his dreams turn out!"

When Reuben heard this, he rescued Joseph from their hands, saying, "Let's not take his life!" Reuben continued, "Don't shed blood! Throw him into this cistern that is here in the wilderness, but don't lay a hand on him." (Reuben said this so he could rescue Joseph from them and take him back to his father.)

When Joseph reached his brothers, they stripped him of his tunic, the special tunic that he wore. Then they took him and threw him into the cistern. (Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it.)

When they sat down to eat their food, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were carrying spices, balm, and myrrh down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is there if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites, but let's not lay a hand on him, for after all, he is our brother, our own flesh." His brothers agreed. So when the Midianite merchants passed by, Joseph's brothers pulled him out of the cistern and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. The Ishmaelites then took Joseph to Egypt.

Later Reuben returned to the cistern to find that Joseph was not in it! He tore his clothes, returned to his brothers, and said, "The boy isn't there! And I, where can I go?" So they took Joseph's tunic, killed a young goat, and dipped the tunic in the blood. Then they brought the special tunic to their father and said, "We found this. Determine now whether it is your son's tunic or not."

He recognized it and exclaimed, "It is my son's tunic! A wild animal has eaten him! Joseph has surely been torn to pieces!" Then Jacob tore his clothes, put on sackcloth, and mourned for his son many days.

**ANTHEM: I believe\***

Watch video at: <https://youtu.be/LmtlZHEHPd4>

I believe in the sun even when it's not shining.

I believe in love even when I don't feel it.

I believe in God even when God is silent.

*Traditional Jewish Poem set by the composer Mark Miller © 2017 Choristers Guild  
Sung by the Women of the Basilica of Saint Mary Cathedral Choir, conducted by Teri Larson*

**SHORT ADDRESS**

**HYMN I will trust you in the darkness**

Watch video at: [https://youtu.be/vn\\_B-Inli9g](https://youtu.be/vn_B-Inli9g)

I will trust you in the darkness

I will serve you in my pain

I will worship in the wilderness

And will follow to the end

For you are the suffering shepherd

And you know your sheep by name

So, I will trust you in the darkness— once again

I'll believe your word of comfort

When the light of life grows dim

I will heed your voice at midnight

When the tempests rage within

I will cling to Christ my saviour

Who has borne my sorrow's sting

And I will trust you in the darkness— once again

*O Lord Jesus, Saviour, brother, friend,  
Come release us. Lord come back again.*

I will praise your name in winter

When the skies are cold and grey

I will feed upon your promises

And will cry to you each day

I will lean upon your Spirit

And your word will I obey

Yes, I will trust you in the darkness — come what may.

*O Lord Jesus, Saviour, brother, friend,  
Come release us. Lord come back again.*

I will trust you in the darkness  
On your faithfulness depend  
As I long for your appearing  
And the day that never ends  
I will glory in the gospel  
And your word of truth defend.  
So I will trust you in the darkness — once again  
Yes, I will trust you in the darkness, O my friend.

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## **HOLY COMMUNION: THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

God's Son paid the price to set us free.

This means our sins are forgiven.

*1 John 4:10*

### **THE INVITATION**

Jesus invites us to this table  
to share the bread and wine  
which make his promises real to us  
and bind us together in his love.

### **THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

Loving God, we praise and thank you  
for your love shown to us in Jesus.

We thank you for his life and ministry,  
announcing the good news of your kingdom  
and demonstrating its power  
by lifting up the downtrodden,  
healing the sick and loving the unloved.

We thank you for his sacrificial death upon the cross  
for the redemption of the world,  
and for raising him to life again,  
as a foretaste of the glory we'll share with him.

We give you thanks for this bread and wine,  
the common things of this world  
and the signs of your transforming love.

Send your Holy Spirit, we pray,  
that we may be renewed in his likeness  
and shaped into Christ's Body here on earth.

Let's join together in the family prayer of the Church:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

### **THE REMEMBERING**

We do this in obedience to Christ's command and example.

On the night when he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and after giving thanks to God he broke it and said  
*'This is my body broken for you;  
do this in memory of me.'*

In the same way he took the cup and said:  
*'This cup is the new covenant sealed by my blood.  
Whenever you drink it, do it in memory of me.'*

### **THE SHARING**

Take, eat. The body of Christ, broken for you.  
Do this, remembering him.

The new covenant sealed by Christ's blood  
which was shed that the sins of many might be forgiven.  
As you drink, remember him.

### **THE PEACE** *(using British Sign Language)*

The peace of the Lord Jesus be with you all.

### **HYMN: Beyond these walls of worship**

Watch video at <https://youtu.be/B9QritzvS-w>

Beyond these walls of worship  
in the stress and joy of life,  
can we offer you our bodies  
as a living sacrifice?  
Will we keep you at the centre  
far beyond the Sunday call?  
Will we turn to you, be transformed by you;  
still declare you God of all?

Beyond these walls of worship  
in the times of work and rest,  
will we display your love for all  
when our faith's put to the test?  
When the people that surround us  
deny that you are there,  
will we display our faith in you –  
in life, in praise, in prayer?

Beyond these walls of worship  
may your Spirit strengthen us  
to make the whole of life our worship  
as we witness to your love.

*From this moment in your presence  
send us out now to proclaim  
that we'll live our life as a sacrifice  
to the glory of your name. (repeat)*

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Arranged and sung by Matt Beckingham*

## **THE BLESSING**

Go in the strength and power which Christ gives,  
and may the blessing of God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
remain with you always. **Amen**

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**Next week: Holy Habits and Missional Discipleship (Joint Service)**