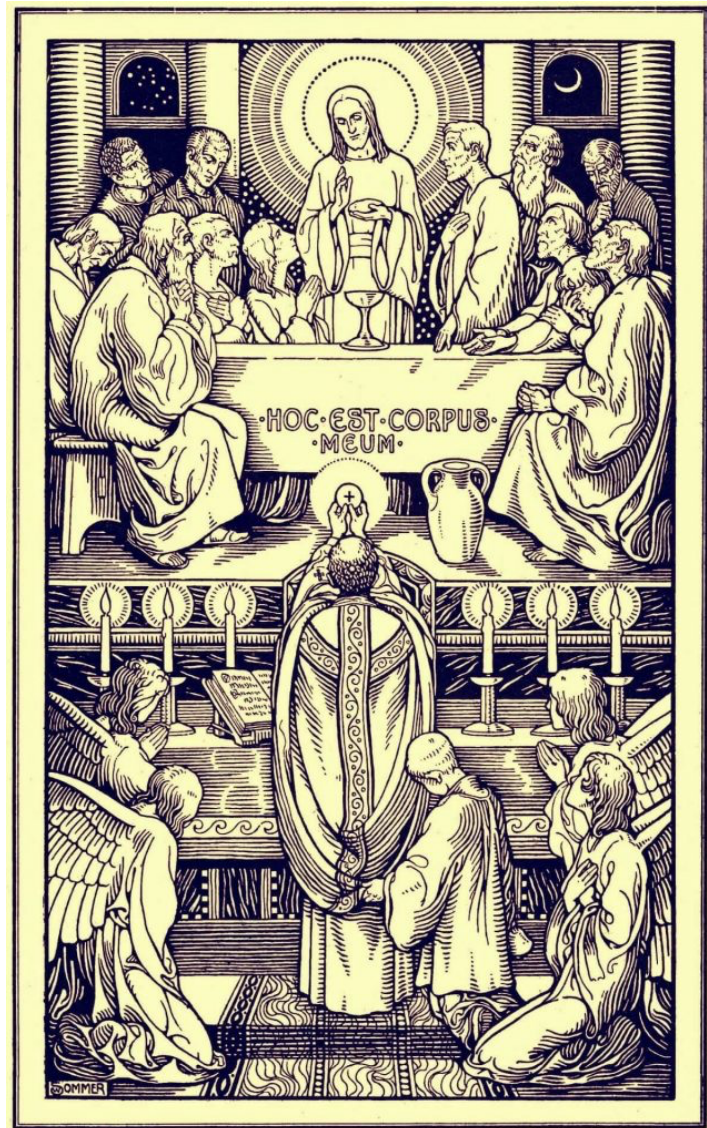




Christ Church

St Leonards on Sea



PENTECOST

Sung Mass

with Sunday School

24th May

1030am

Welcome to Christ Church!

Whoever you are and wherever you are from, know you are very welcome to join us for our worship this morning, as we conclude the season of Eastertide at this celebration of Pentecost.

Everyone is welcome to stay after Mass for refreshments – please do join us.

Children & families

Children and families are very welcome here: our Sunday School meets at the back of Church and there is also a 'Children's Chapel' space with books and toys in the South Aisle, for young children and their parents to use at any point during Mass. Toilets are available at the back of church and in the crypt, accessed via the stairs at the end of the South Aisle.

During the Mass

'Talk to God before Mass, and each other afterwards!'

Please follow the directions to *sit, stand or kneel in italics* and join with the words in bold. Please remember that people are trying to pray before Mass, so keep silence as much as possible and don't disturb those at prayer.

Please also remember that the time after receiving Holy Communion is for quiet prayer and contemplation – not to have conversations.

Holy Communion

At the Giving of Holy Communion, if you are confirmed and wish to receive the Sacrament, please come forward to receive Communion via the main aisle following the directions of the stewards. Everyone is very welcome to come forward for a blessing: if you would like one, please bow your head.

Holy Communion is offered at the communion rail in both forms. Please kneel, unless you are unable. The Host is received on the tongue, (or if preferred on the hands). If you wish to receive from the Chalice, please assist the Eucharistic Ministers by guiding the Chalice towards your lips and not bowing your head forward.

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Please stand when the bell rings for the entrance of the sanctuary party

Entrance Hymn

1. 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.

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.

2. 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.

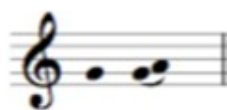
4. In thy house, great God, we offer
Of thine own to thee;
And for thine acceptance proffer
All unworthily
Hearts and minds and hands and
voices
In our choicest
Psalmody.

3. For, we know that thou rejoicest

5. 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.

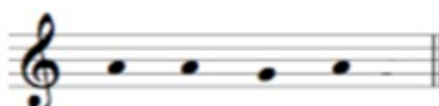
The Greeting

In the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit



A-men.

The Lord be with you.



And also with you.

The Priest introduces the Mass, and the children of the parish come forward to receive their bible and blessing, and the items to prepare their altar.

*The Mass then continues with **The Penitential Rite***

Dear brothers and sisters let us humbly beseech the Lord our God to bless this water he has created, which will be sprinkled on us as a memorial of our Baptism. May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

All pray in silence briefly. The Priest then continues:

Almighty ever-living God, who willed that through water, the fountain of life and the source of purification, even souls should be cleansed and receive the gift of eternal life; be pleased, we pray, to bless this water, by which we seek protection on this your day, O Lord. Renew the living spring of your grace within us and grant that by this water we may be defended from all ills of spirit and body, and so approach you with hearts made clean and worthily receive salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

While the Choir sings the Vidi Aquam, the Priest sprinkles himself and the people, as a reminder of our cleansing at baptism.

The Priest pronounces the absolution:

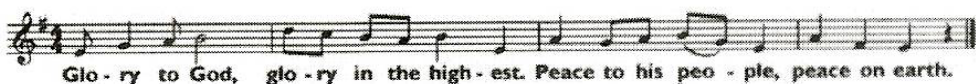
Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Choir lead the **Kyrie**

Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy,

The Choir lead the **Gloria**


Choir Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.

All 
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est. Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

Choir Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father:

All 
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est. Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

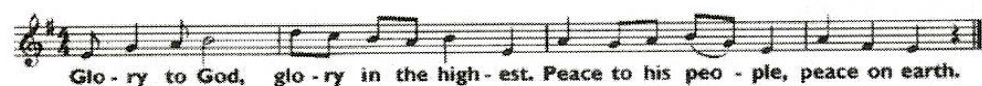
Choir We worship you,

All 
glo - ry in the high - est.

Choir Give you thanks,

All 
glo - ry in the high - est.

Choir Praise you for your glory.

All 
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est. Peace to his peo - ple, peace on earth.

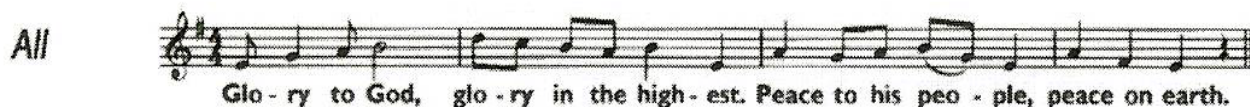
Choir Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

All 
have mer - cy on us;

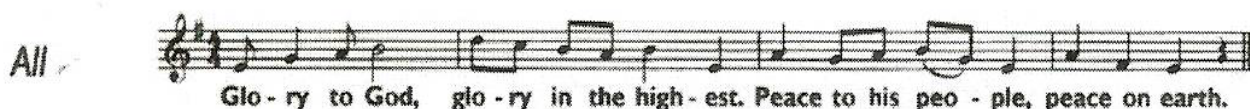
Choir you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer,

All 
re - ceive our prayer.

Choir Glory to God, glory in the highest.
Peace to his people, peace on earth.



Choir 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 glory of God the Father.



Choir Amen. Amen.

The Priest sings the Collect:

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast
sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation,
pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit
across the face of the earth
and, with the divine grace that was at work
when the Gospel was first proclaimed,
fill now once more the hearts of believers.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Acts 2.1-11 I Corinthians 12.3-7, 12-13 John 20.19-23

Please sit for the readings

First Reading A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 104 vv.26-33 R/ Bless the Lord, O my soul

26 O Lord, how manifold are your works! • In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

27 There is the sea, spread far and wide, • and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.

28 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan • which you have made to play in the deep.

29 All of these look to you • to give them their food in due season.

30 When you give it them, they gather it; •

you open your hand and they are filled with good.

31 When you hide your face they are troubled; • when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust.

32 When you send forth your spirit, they are created, • and you renew the face of the earth.

33 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; • may the Lord rejoice in his works;

Second Reading A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Please turn to face the Gospel, proclaimed from the midst of the people

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

Hear the Gospel (✠) of Our Lord Jesus Christ (✠) according to St John (✠)

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*Please sit for the **Homily** - The homily is followed by a time of silent reflection.*

The Creed – *please stand.*

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,
(*all bow*)

*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.

Please remain standing for the **Intercessions**

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

As we pray for the dead: Rest eternal, grant unto them O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

After the final petition we entrust all our prayer and petitions to the unceasing prayers of the Saints in heaven, especially to the Blessed Virgin Mary who we greet saying: **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

The Priest concludes the prayer, and all respond: **Amen**

The Peace

The Priest introduces the peace, then shares it with the people

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All share a sign of peace with those near them

Please then sit for the offertory hymn as bread and wine are brought forward for the preparation of the altar, as we sing the Offertory Hymn.

During this hymn a collection is taken towards the costs of Christ Church's ministries – if you don't have cash, there is a contactless reader by the entrance or you can donate online here:

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THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand when the congregation is censed by the thurifer.

Offertory Hymn

1. O thou who camest from
above,
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart.

2. There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source
return
In humble prayer, and fervent
praise.

3. Jesus, confirm my heart's
desire
To work, and speak, and think
for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me.

4. Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thy endless mercies
seal,
And make my sacrifice
complete.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God our almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The Priest offers the Prayer over the Gifts, and all respond. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you	And also with you
Lift up your hearts	We lift them up to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God	
It is right to give Him thanks and praise	

The Priest continues with the Opening (Preface) of the Prayer of Thanksgiving at the end of which the choir leads the **Sanctus**

SANCTUS

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Please kneel as the Priest continues the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

He first invokes the Holy Spirit to sanctify the offerings of bread and wine.

He then recalls the Lord's actions the night before he died. A bell is rung as the Priest elevates the consecrated Host and Chalice.

He then says:

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Giving of Communion

Please remain kneeling as the Priest shows the Body of Christ

Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Before coming forward to receive Holy Communion, all pray together:

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

As the Priest receives Holy Communion, a bell is rung & the people begin to come forward. If you are confirmed and wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward via the main aisle, following the directions of the stewards.

All are welcome to come forward for a blessing: if you would like one, please bow your head.

Holy Communion is offered in both forms at the Communion Rail. Please kneel, unless you are unable. The Host is received on the tongue (or, if preferred, on the hands.) If you don't wish to receive from the Chalice, you can return to your seat after receiving the Host.

Intinction (dipping the Host in the Chalice) is not permitted.

*During the receiving of Holy Communion, the Choir sing an **Anthem**
Come down O love divine - Harris*

All then join in the Communion Hymn

1. Holy Spirit, come, confirm us
In the truth that Christ makes
known;
We have faith and understanding
Through your promised light
alone.

2. Holy Spirit, come, console us,
Come as Advocate to plead,
Loving Spirit from the Father,
Grant in Christ the help we need.

3. Holy Spirit, come, renew us,
Come yourself to make us live,
Holy through your loving
presence,
Holy through the gifts you give.

4. Holy Spirit, come, possess us,
You the love of Three in One,
Holy Spirit of the Father,
Holy Spirit of the Son.

As the Sacred Vessels are cleansed, all give thanks together with the Prayer of Thanksgiving after Holy Communion

Almighty God, we thank thee for feeding us with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer thee our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of thy Spirit to live and work to thy praise and glory. Amen.

Please stand for the Priest to sing the Prayer after Communion

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Please sit for the Notices

Please stand for The Blessing and Dismissal
The Lord be with you. And also with you

... Amen.

The Mass is ended, let us go in the peace of Christ! **Thanks be to God!**

*As the Sanctuary party departs, all sing the **Recessional Hymn***

1. Breathe on me, Breath of
God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost
love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of
God,
Till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glow with the fire divine.

4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity

*As the procession approaches the Image of Our Lady, **all turn** to focus on the
Blessed Virgin as the Priest leads the singing of the **Regina Caeli***

The Regina Caeli

Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven, alleluia!
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia!
As He promised hath arisen, alleluia!
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!
For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

Organ Voluntary

Please join us after the Mass for refreshments.