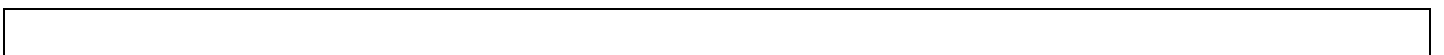


Douglas Union with Frankfield

MORNING PRAYER



First Sunday in Lent
21 February 2021



The Gathering of God's People

HYMN 618 *Lord of all hopefulness (verses 1 & 2)*

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

SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him, and not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by following his laws, which he set before us. *Daniel 9:9,10.*

The minister introduces the service in these or other suitable words:

Beloved in Christ,
we come together to offer to Almighty God
our worship and praise and thanksgiving,
to confess our sins and to receive God's forgiveness,
to hear his holy word proclaimed,
to bring before him our needs and the needs of the world,
and to pray that in the power of his Spirit
we may serve him and know the greatness of his love.

The minister says

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

Silence is kept.

**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;
by what we have done
and by what we have failed to do.
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.**

The priest pronounces the absolution.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

FIRST CANTICLE

JUBILATE *Psalm 100*

- 1 O shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his face with songs of joy.
- 2 Know that the Lord he is God;
it is he who has made us and we are his
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Come into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and bless his holy name.
- 4 For the Lord is good
his loving mercy is for ever,
his faithfulness throughout all generations.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Old Testament

Genesis 9: 8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never

again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

PSALM

Psalm 25

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame,
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.
- 3 Make me to know your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you have I hoped all the day long.
- 5 Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth
or my transgressions,
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,
according to your steadfast love.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord;
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
- 8 He will guide the humble in doing right
and teach his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies

SECOND READING

from the Gospels

Mark 1: 9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

SECOND CANTICLE

SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD *Suitable for use in penitential seasons*

- 1 Jesus, Saviour of the world,
 come to us in your mercy:
 we look to you to save and help us.
- 2 By your cross and your life laid down
 you set your people free:
 we look to you to save and help us.
- 3 When they were ready to perish you saved your disciples:
 we look to you to come to our help.
- 4 In the greatness of your mercy, loose us from our chains,
 forgive the sins of all your people.
- 5 Make yourself known as our Saviour and mighty Deliverer;
 save and help us that we may praise you.
- 6 Come now and dwell with us Lord Christ Jesus:
 hear our prayer and be with us always.
- 7 And when you come in your glory:
 make us to be one with you
 and to share the life of your kingdom. Amen.

THE SERMON

HYMN 614 *Great Shepherd of your people, hear;*

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The versicles and responses may be said.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers
and grant our government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness
and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people
and bless those whom you have chosen.

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
and let your glory be over all the earth.

O God, make clean our hearts within us
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

HYMN 617 *Jesus remember me*

THE COLLECTS

The Collect of the day is said and the Lent collect.

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
Give us grace to discipline ourselves
in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:
Create and make in us new and contrite hearts
that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

One or more of these collects may be said:

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord,
to know you is eternal life, and to serve you is perfect freedom:
Defend us in all assaults of our enemies,
that we, surely trusting in your protection,
may not fear the power of any adversaries;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everliving God,
we give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day:
Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger,
and in all things guide us to know and do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour,
and further us with your continual help;
that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being:
We humbly pray that your Holy Spirit may so guide and govern us
that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life,
we may never forget your presence
but may remember that we are always walking in your sight,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers and thanksgivings, or a litany, may be said.

HYMN 618 *Lord of all hopefulness (verses 3 & 4)*

Going Out as God's People

The service may end with this dismissal or an appropriate blessing:

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

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13: 14*