



Saint Matthew's Church
Big Lamp ~ Summerhill Street
Newcastle

Text of the Mass for Saint Luke - 18th October 2024

As the priest enters the church, the following is sung:

Come sing, ye choirs exultant,
Those messengers of God,
Through whom the living Gospels
Came sounding all abroad;
Whose voice proclaimed salvation,
That poured upon the night,
And drove away the shadows,
To flood the world with light.

He chose them, our Good Shepherd,
And, tending evermore,
His flock through earth's four quarters,
In wisdom made them four:
In one harmonious witness
The chosen four combine,
While each his own commission
Fulfils in every line.

Four-square on this foundation
The Church of Christ remains,
A house to stand unshaken
By floods or wind or rains.
O glorious happy portion
In this safe home to be,
By God, true man, united
With God eternally.

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Music: Aurelia
Samuel Sebastian Wesley 1810 - 76

+ The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Jesus said to His Apostles, "You are my friends if you obey my commands." Let us now confess our disobedience to Him.

We are often slow to follow the example of Christ: Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

We often fail to be known as Christ's disciples: Christe eleison.

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We often fail to walk the way of the Cross: Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins and bring us to life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the man: who brings tidings of peace, joy and salvation. O Lord, You have searched me and known me: You know when I sit down and when I rise up. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

How beautiful &c

During the Gloria in excelsis, the Altar, the symbol of God's Presence, may be honoured with incense.

Glory be to God on high.

And in earth peace, goodwill towards men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee,

we worship Thee, we glorify Thee,

we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King,

God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ:

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right

hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy, Thou only art the Lord;

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high,

+ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, You called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist and physician of the soul: by the Grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the Gospel, give Your Church the same love and power to heal; in and through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages, world without end.

Amen.

A Reading from the latter Letter to Timothy.

Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you; for he is very useful in serving me. Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will requite him for his deeds. Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one took my part; all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength to proclaim the message fully, that all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All your works praise you, O Lord, ♦ and your faithful servants
bless you.

They tell of the glory of your kingdom ♦ and speak of your mighty
power,

To make known to all peoples your mighty acts ♦ and the glorious
splendour of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; ♦ your dominion endures
throughout all ages.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways ♦ and loving in all his works.

The Lord is near to those who call upon him, ♦ to all who call upon
him faithfully.

The Gospel book is carried to the Lectern:

Alleluia, alleluia! I chose You from the world to go out and bear fruit:
fruit that shall last says the Lord. Alleluia!

Christ's Presence in the words of the Gospel may be honoured with incense.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

The Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to come. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and salute no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you; heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

A homily may follow.

As we honour today the memory of Saint Luke, let us pray that his work may be continued in the Church and in the world:

Father, Your Son called men and women to leave the past behind them and to follow Him as His disciples in the way of the Cross. Strengthen and sustain those whom He has called today, marked with the cross and made His disciples within the Church: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Your Son told His disciples not to be afraid, and at Easter breathed on them His gift of peace. Look with mercy upon the world into which He sent them out and give it Your peace: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Your Son formed around Him a company who were no longer servants but friends, and He called all those who obeyed Him His brother and sister and mother. Look with love upon our families and friends and upon the communities of which we are a part: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Your Son was trained as a carpenter and proclaimed His Gospel in parables. Inspire all who seek to communicate through art, the skill of their hands and works of beauty: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Your Son promised that the Spirit would lead us into all Truth. Enlighten all students that through their work mankind may attain to every greater understanding of our world and the lives to which You call us: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Your Son sent out disciples to preach and heal the sick. Look with mercy on all those in distress and dis-ease, comfort their families and friends and sustain doctors, nurses and medical workers through the pressures of their task: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

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Your Son promised those who followed Him that they would sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel and would share the Banquet of Heaven. According to Your promise enfold in Your eternal love those who have walked their path on earth: Lord, hear us ... **Lord, graciously hear us.**

In union with our Lady, Saint Matthew, Saint Philip, Saint Luke, Saint Augustine and all the saints, , we ask for obedience to work Your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We are fellow citizens with the saints and the whole household of God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who came and preached peace to those who were afar off and those who were near.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

As the bread and wine are brought to the Altar and prepared for the Mass, the following is sung:

You shall make them princes in all lands: they shall remember Your Name, O Lord, from one generation to another.

Here, while the Cherubim within the veil, adore the blest, life-giving Trinity, we in earth's worship echoing their part, hymn the thrice-holy in their company. So let all earthly cares be laid aside, that we may welcome Him Who draweth nigh, the King of Glory entering His courts, girt by the hidden armies of the sky. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

What thanks and praise to Thee we owe,
O Priest and Sacrifice Divine,
For Thy dear Saint through whom we know
So many a gracious Word of Thine;

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Whom Thou didst choose to tell the tale
Of all Thy Manhood's toils and fears,
And for a moment lift the veil
That hides Thy Boyhood's spotless years.

How many a soul with guilt oppressed
Has learned to hear the joyful sound
In that sweet tale of sin confessed,
The Father's love, the lost and found!

How many a child of sin and same
Has refuge found from guilty fears
Through her, who to the Saviour came
With costly ointments and with tears!

What countless worshippers have sung
In joyful psalm with tuneful chord,
The song that loosed the silent tongue
Of Him Who was the Baptist's Lord!

And still the Church through all her days
Uplifts the strains that never cease,
The Bless-ed Virgin's hymn of praise,
The ag-ed Simeon's words of peace.

O happy Saint! Whose sacred page,
So rich in words of truth and love,
Pours on the Church from age to age
This healing unction from above;

The witness of the Saviour's Life,
The great Apostle's chosen friend
Through weary years of toil and strife,
And still found faithful to the end.

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So grant us, Lord, like him to live,
Beloved by man, approved by Thee,
Till Thou at last the summons give,
And we, with him, Thy Face shall see.

Words: Abp McClagan
Music: Hereford
Samuel Sebastian Wesley 1810 - 76

The preparation of the Altar continues; incense may be used to honour the place where Christ will become present. At the end:

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty. All that is in Heaven and earth is Thine:
All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own do we give Thee.

God of compassion, You are a strong tower for all who trust in You. Be now and evermore our defence, that we may proclaim the only Name under Heaven given for health and salvation, the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The priest begins the great prayer of thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts;

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

Father all powerful and ever-living God,

We do well always and everywhere to give You thanks

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In their witness to Him, Luke and all Your Evangelists

Have left to us a record of this Your Son's sacred memory.

Through their words,

Your Word has spoken to Your people down the ages;

By setting before us His example,

We have been guided in Your service.

By their teaching we are reminded of the eternal life.

Which now is theirs and which we hope to share.

Therefore, with them, with angels and archangels

And all the company of Heaven,

We raise our voices to sing Your praise:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.

+ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his Apostles
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

The priest holds up the consecrated Host for the people to see.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The priest holds up the chalice of consecrated wine for the people to see.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

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

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Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with [*N and*] all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
By Whom and with Whom and in Whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

Instructed by saving precepts and taught by divine example, we are bold
to say:

Our Father,
*Who art in Heaven,
hallowed by 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.*

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

The priest holds up the consecrated elements and invites people to receive Holy Communion:

+ Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him, Who takes away the sin of the world; happy are they who are called to His Supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive You; but only say the Word and my soul will be healed.

Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words to the ends of the earth.

Holy Communion follows.

Thou to Whom the sick and dying
Ever came, nor came in vain,
With Thy healing hands replying
To their wearied cry of pain,
Hear us, Jesu, as we meet
Suppliant at Thy mercy seat.

Still the wary, sick and dying
Call for hands of loving care;
On Thy help and grace relying
Grant we may their burden share,
And Thy heart of love entreat,
Suppliant at Thy mercy seat.

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May Thy people all be willing,
Ready both in mind and heart,
Thus the heavenly Law fulfilling,
Strength and solace to impart,
And Thy heart of love entreat,
Suppliant at Thy mercy seat.

So may sickness, sin and sadness
To Thy powerful Presence yield,
And the sick and sad, in gladness,
Rescued, ransomed, cleansed and healed,
Joyful, praise Thy heart of love
With the heavenly Church above.

Words: from verses by Godfrey Thring
1823 - 1903

Music: All Saints

Melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch* Darmstadt 1698

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After Holy Communion:

The Lord sent disciples to proclaim to all towns: the Kingdom of God is very near to you.

Let us pray:

Living God, may we who have shared in these holy Mysteries enjoy health of body and mind, and witness faithfully to Your Gospel in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Notices may follow.

God give you the Spirit of Wisdom and revelation, that you may know the hope to which He calls you; and the + blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Mass is ended. Go in the Peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

O, higher than the Cherubim, more glorious than the Seraphim, lead their praises, alleluia! Thou, bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious magnify the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, (alleluia, alleluia,) alleluia!

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth Your Grace into our hearts, we beseech You O Lord, that as we have known the Incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by His Cross (+) and Passion, we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection; in and through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Spirit of Jesus, Who didst move
The hearts and pens of men to write
The story of the world's true Light,
His words of power and deeds of love;

We thank Thee for those scribes of old
Who, while Apostles journeyed still
Their worldwide witness to fulfil,
Set down the glorious tale they told;

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We thank Thee for the writers three,
Who from such fleeting records wrought
The first three Gospels, and so taught
The Truth for every age to see.

Then, as Faith ripened, Thou didst call
A fourth Evangelist, to show
The Christ Whom souls had come to know
As Way, as Truth, as Life for all.

Spirit of Jesus, give Thy Grace
To us who read, that so we may
Know Him more fully day by day
Until we see Him face to face.

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