The Gathering – first video

Welcome - [KELVIN]

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

In today's gospel, Jesus talks about having 'one flock'. Our world has one human race ... and one God who cares for all. That's how it is with God, and that's how it works here. Different as we are, we meet as one.

Welcome to St Mary's Cathedral, Glasgow.

Collect for Purity - [MIMI]

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.

Confession

[KELVIN] God is love and we are God's children. There is no room for fear in love.

We love because God loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

[Silence]

God our Father, we confess to you and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry. Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil, for the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

[OLIVER] God, who is both power and love, forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria - [SHAE]

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.

Collect - [OLIVER]

God of lasting love, fulfil your plan of salvation to gather into one fold the peoples of the whole world. Let everyone on earth recognise your Christ as the Good Shepherd, who freely lays down his life for all to take it up again in power. Grant this through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Ministry of the Word – second video

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18 – [ROBERT]

Alleluia, alleluia! Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord. Alleluia!

Sermon [JOHN]

[INSERT]

Intercessions [PAT]

Jesus, through your committed living and dying, you have shown us the possibilities of love and the first fruits of your Kingdom

We pray for all who have given themselves to the service of others throughout this time of pandemic and lockdown: those working in essential, and health delivery and support services, especially where these are overwhelmed and collapsing. We give thanks for their faithfulness and commitment, and pray for their protection, rest, and renewal.

Christ, conqueror of death: Hear our prayer

We pray for those for those faithfully working for the church: for Kevin our Bishop, Audrey our canon missioner and Richard Kilgour serving Holy Trinity, Motherwell and Sts Andrew's, Wishaw; for our stewards and welcomers at St Mary's and all who work making this a place of hospitality and shelter.

Energise and encourage them in their different callings, and may their words and actions always reveal the love and justice of your Kingdom.

Christ, conqueror of death: Hear our prayer

Jesus - by your patient waiting in the tomb, you have shown us the possibilities of love and the first fruits of your Kingdom

We pray for all whose lives feel stalled or suspended: those recently made redundant; those shielding; and all who have been unable to be with loved ones during illness or death. May they find strength to keep going, and comfort and consolation in grief.

Christ, conqueror of death: Hear our prayer

We pray for all who mourn - especially today Wallace, Neil and others grieving forJean Westren. May your resurrection assure them that this separation will not be final

Christ, conqueror of death: Hear our prayer

And we remember before you Jean Westren, and Jane Tucker at her year's mind. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Christ, conqueror of death: Hear our prayer

Jesus in your paradoxical rising from the dead, you have shown us the possibilities of love and the first fruits of your Kingdom We pray for people working to bring about transformation in the world: For all involved in climate change initiatives, especially those working towards sustainable transport systems here in Glasgow. For all who work for peace in our increasingly fractious and fractured world. May their endeavours sow seeds of better understandings bear the fruits of Shalom.

Christ, conqueror of death: Hear our prayer

Jesus – Incarnate Love, committed, patient and free - your resurrection reminds us that the graveyard is also where life begins again. Meet us now in our places of death: touch and transform us that our lives too might witness to the possibilities of love, and bear the fruits of your Kingdom.

Amen

Communion - third video

Offertory - [OLIVER]

Jesus strikes a contrast between a shepherd and a hired hand. One has deep, steadfast devotion and the other loses interest at the first sign of trouble. A shepherd is committed.

My thanks go to all who demonstrate unwavering care for this place. If you, too, would like to make or renew your commitment—to join in the safekeeping of all that goes on here—visit www.thecatheral.org.uk and click DONATE TO ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL to discover how.

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

Eucharistic Prayer - [OLIVER]

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope.
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Praise and thanksgiving be to you,
Lord of all,
for by the Cross eternal life is ours
and death is swallowed up in victory.
In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.
From the Garden the mystery dawned
that he whom they had loved and lost
is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on all your beloved children.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread. and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by the Spirit's life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world. Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer [KELVIN]

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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. Do not bring us to the time of trial but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Communion - [OLIVER]

God is with us wherever we are.

As we gaze in adoration we feed on God in our hearts and minds that we may in turn feed the world.

O God, even as this broken bread was scattered over the hills, and was gathered together and became one, so let Your Church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom; for yours is the glory and the power through Jesus Christ for ever.

Amen.

Music at Communion - [JUSTINE & FERGUS]

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by. He leadeth me, He leadeth me, the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, Ee'n for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet I will fear no ill; For Thou art with me; and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.

Goodness and mercy all my life Will surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.

Post Communion Prayer - [MIMI]

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

Amen.

Blessing - [OLIVER]

My thanks go to all who have taken responsibility for various elements of today's Online Worship and given generously to make it happen.

The Good Shepherd counts each sheep and knows them by name. God loves you, and you matter to God.

May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with new life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Voluntary - [STEVEN]

Trio Sonata VI [BWV 530i] - JS Bach

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There is an online coffee hour on Sunday at 1 pm. Details in the weekly congregational email. Sign up for emails at www.thecathedral.org.uk

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