

ST ANNE'S, SOHO

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

3rd MAY 2026



The Eucharist

You're welcome to take this sheet away with you.

Welcome to St Anne's Church, Soho

The Celebrant is:
The Revd Simon Buckley
Rector of St Anne's, Soho

The Preacher is:
The Revd Martha Pennel
Curate of St Anne's, Soho

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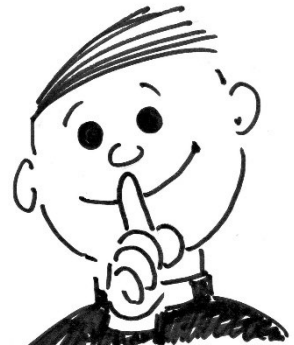
This order of service contains all you need to join in with our worship whether you are in St Anne's or joining us online –

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Worshipping in church we gather with strangers and friends, and from home we join virtually with those we see and hear on screen. But wherever we are, we join with the church throughout the world, and all the saints in Heaven, as children of God and disciples of Christ.

We invite everyone to:

- **Join us in keeping a time of quiet before the service begins.**
- Switch off your mobile phone for this hour and avoid other distractions.
- Support St Anne's via contactless giving, the collection taken during the service, or by direct debit.
- Keep this booklet for your reflection in the coming week.
- **If you are in church, please save the chatter until the organ voluntary has concluded.**



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We pray this time together will be a blessing for all who share in it, and strengthen us to serve others in the week ahead.

Welcome

We meet in the name of the Father and
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Alleluia Christ is Risen

All: He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!

Opening Hymn

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain

*Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;

lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

Refrain

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life!
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conqu'rors through thy deathless love.
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Refrain

'À toi la gloire' by Edmund Louis Budry (1854-1932)
transl. by Richard Birch Hoyle (1875-1939)

Tune: MACCABAEUS

Prayer of Penitence

Jesus Christ, we acclaim you as risen Master and triumphant Lord and we give thanks for your victory over sin and death. As we rejoice in the new life you offer to all who turn to you, we recognise our faults and failings and, calling to mind our sins, seek your grace that we might live anew.

We keep a moment's silence to recall our sins.

Like Mary at the empty tomb,
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are often afraid to be seen as your followers.
Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe and put our trust in you.
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

All: 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.

The Collect

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

∞ The Liturgy of the Word ∞

First reading: Acts 7: 55- end

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Stephen, a member of the church in Jerusalem, has been accused of prophesying against the temple and was brought before the high priest and the leaders of the synagogues.

But filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Reader: Hear the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31: 1-5; 15-16

The Psalm is underscored by the organist.

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 **Incline your ear to me;
make haste to deliver me.**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a fortress to save me,
for you are my rock and my stronghold;
guide me, and lead me for your name's sake.
- 4 **Take me out of the net
that they have laid secretly for me,
for you are my strength.**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.
- 15 **'My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**
- 16 'Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and save me for your mercy's sake.'
- All: 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.**

Gospel Reading

The Alleluias are sung through once, before we all sing them together.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A E D E A D E

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A E Bm E A D E A

The image shows two systems of musical notation for the Alleluia. Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 6/8 time signature. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff. Below the bass staff, the chords A, E, D, E, A, D, E are indicated. The second system also has a key signature of one sharp and a 6/8 time signature. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff. Below the bass staff, the chords A, E, Bm, E, A, D, E, A are indicated.

Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die”.

We repeat the alleluias.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 14: 1-14

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

We sing the Alleluias again.

Sermon

Anthem

'En Prière' by Gabriel Fauré

*As the voice of a child can reach You,
O my Father,
Hear my prayer, on bended knee before You!
As You have chosen me to teach Your
laws on earth,
I will know how to serve You, noble
King of kings, O Light!
On my lips, Lord, place the salutary
truth,
In order that he who doubts should with
Humility revere You!
Do not abandon me, give me the
necessary gentleness,
To ease suffering, to relieve sorrow,
Misery!
Reveal Yourself to me, my Father, in whom I
trust and hope:
For You I wish to suffer and to die on
The cross, at Calvary!*

The Creed

Let us declare our faith
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe.
Amen.

The Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

*To the bidding: "Lord in your mercy" we respond:
"Hear our prayer".*

And at the end:

All: Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

∞ The Liturgy of the Sacrament ∞

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,
'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All: and also with you

*Please greet those around you as brothers and sisters of Christ,
then be seated as the altar is prepared and the collection taken.*

Hymn

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation, by water and the word;
from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride,
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev 'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

Tune: AURELIA

Prayer

All: Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: we lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: it is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.
He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in__ the high - est.
 Bless - èd__ is he who comes in the name of the Lord.__
 Ho-san - na in__ the high - est, ho-san - na in__ the high - est.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
 grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
 and according to your holy will,
 these gifts of bread and wine
 may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
 who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
 took bread and gave you thanks;
 he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
 do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
 he took the cup and gave you thanks;
 he gave it to them, saying:
 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.

Jesus Christ is Lord.

All: Lord by your cross and resurrection
 you have set us free.
 You are the Saviour of the World.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for
counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one
in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of The Blessed Virgin Mary, St Anne
and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.



The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: 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.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body,
 because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin ____ of the world:
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin ____ of the world:
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin _ of the world: grant us peace.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line with lyrics underneath. The first system includes a fermata over the word 'sin'. The second system is identical to the first. The third system concludes with a double bar line and a final note.

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper:

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*All are welcome to gather around the altar, as directed,
to receive Communion or a blessing.*

*Holy Communion may be received in the bread alone, or in bread and wine as
you prefer. Please indicate clearly what you wish to receive, and wait until those
standing with you have received before returning to your place.*

The practice of intinction (dipping) the host is not permitted.

*During Communion Christine sings
'Love is his word' and 'Let us praise God together'*

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

**All: Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Final Hymn

God is love: let heav'n adore him;
God is love: let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heav'ns above,
he who breathes all creation,
he is love, eternal Love.

God is love: and he enfoldeth
all the world in one embrace;
with unfailing grasp he holdeth
ev'ry child of ev'ry race.
And when human hearts are breaking
under sorrow's iron rod,
then they find that self-same aching
deep within the heart of God.

God is love: and though with blindness
sin afflicts the human soul,
God's eternal loving-kindness
guides and heals and makes us whole.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever
o'er the universe must reign.

Timothy Rees (1874-1939) alt.

Tune: ALLELUIA

Notices

The Blessing & Dismissal

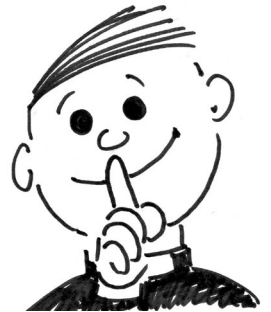
God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.



Please sit quietly after the clergy have departed and enable those who wish to listen to the organ voluntary to do so.

There's plenty of time to chat over coffee.



NOTICES

All are warmly invited to stay for refreshments after this service.

- Grief Café is in the Allen Room this afternoon from 3-4.30
- Evening Communion at 5pm is followed by a glass of wine.
- Tuesday Tea is this week from 3-4.30 in the Community Hall and all are welcome to drop in for cake and cuppa.
- There is no Thursday lunch this week as the Community Hall is being used for voting in the Council Elections.
- The revised electoral roll is displayed on the noticeboard- please check that your name is on it and speak to Gavin if it isn't and it should be.

Next Sunday the APCM will follow the service at 12.30 sharp. There will be children's activities during the service, and lunch at Bistro1 will follow the APCM at 1.45

If you would like to serve on the PCC please complete a nomination form and have it signed by two sponsors.

Ascension Day will be marked on Thursday 14th May with Holy Communion at 8.30 and the Sunday after when our guest preacher will be former sacrist of St Paul's Cathedral and chaplain to Bishop Sarah, Revd Robert Coupland. We are glad he can join us before he takes up a new post as a vicar in Southgate.



We remember with love those who've died recently,
and all who are commemorated through our Easter Flowers:

Wong Ah Boon
Wong Ah Chai
Liz Bramley
Sheila Brenan
Paula & Alan Buckley
Bryan Burrough
Barbara Collins
Marlena Conway
Ron Dawson
Isabel & Jack Drummond
Mary Farrington
Maurice & Pauline Florence
Jean Head
Mary Henry
Alexandra James
Sarah Knowling
Julie Lee
Andy Matheou



Dorothy McCall
Maurice John McCarthy
Tim Miller
Leotta Moore
Rosemary Nutt
Ian Pennel
Doreen Percival
Jean Percival
Wong Poh Lan
Howard Radford
Robby Rang
Lucia Rosada
Mr & Mrs Thevathanan
Kumar Thevathanan
Patryk Witkowski
Ann Witts
Betty Wright
Vera

*Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*



REGULAR SERVICES AT ST ANNE'S, SOHO

Sunday	11.00am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	5.00pm	Holy Communion (<i>first Sunday of the month</i>)
Tuesday	8:30am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	1:05pm	Holy Communion
Wednesday	8:30am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	4:30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	8:30am	Morning Prayer

The church is open for private prayer
Monday – Friday 9am – 5:30pm (often until 8pm)

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