



Sung Mass *and* Celebration *of the*  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary *of* Ordination *of*  
The Revd Cynthia Jackson



Trinity Seventeen  
Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021

*The Revd Cynthia Jackson first attended St Matthew's Church as a teenager. Her vocation was fostered by the congregation here, and she was ordained Deacon in Southwark Diocese at Michaelmas 1996*

*Mthr Cynthia has served all of ministry in the Wimbledon Team, and has been based at St Mark's and St Mary's, as well as St Matthew's during this period.*

*We give thanks for her ministry, and for her many gifts, and we welcome members of her family, and her friends, who join us this morning to celebrate.*



Above: Postcards from West Wimbledon, by Cynthia Jackson

Overleaf: Stations of the Cross leading to the Resurrection (after Turvey Abbey)  
by Cynthia Jackson

## The Gathering

*We stand when the bell rings to sing our first hymn.  
Please join in with the words in **Bold**.*

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise the everlasting King.**

**Praise him for his grace and favour  
to our fathers in distress;  
praise him still the same for ever,  
slow to chide and swift to bless:  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Glorious in his faithfulness.**

**Father-like, he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hand he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Widely as his mercy flows.**

**Angels, help us to adore him;  
ye behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise with us the God of grace.**

*Priest*      ✠In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All**          **Amen.**

*Priest*      The Lord be with you.

**All**          **And also with you.**

The priest introduces the service and then invites us to confess our sins.

**Almighty God, our 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.  
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.**

God's forgiveness is pronounced, and we respond: **Amen.**

We praise God's glory.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,  
hea-ven-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly  
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy on us; you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa -  
ther, re - ceive our pray'r. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -  
lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
Ho-ly Spi-rit in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A men.

*The Collect, the special prayer for the day, is prayed, to which we respond: **Amen.***

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

*We sit for the Reading and the Psalms, at the end of which the reader says:*

*Reader*      This is the word of the Lord.

**All**            **Thanks be to God.**

*The response in the Psalm is:*

**The Law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul.**

*As the procession moves to the centre of the church, we stand and turn to face the Gospel Book. Please join with the singing of the 'Alleluias', which herald the Gospel reading.*

*Priest*        The Lord be with you.

**All**            **And also with you.**

*Priest*        Hear the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**All**            **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Mark 9.38-end is read. After the Gospel:*

*Priest*        This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All**            **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The **Sermon** will be preached by Mthr Cynthia Jackson.*

*After a period of reflection, we stand for the **Nicene Creed.***

**All**            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,  
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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*The response is:* Lord in your mercy  
**All** Hear our prayer.

*at the end* Merciful Father,  
accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

*There are some notices, after which we stand for the Peace.*

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**All** And also with you.  
*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace

*We share a sign of peace in a socially distanced manner,  
saying the words 'Peace be with you'.*

*We sing a hymn while the bread and wine are prepared on the altar.  
At this time we are not passing round the collection plate, so if you wish to make an offering to  
the work of the church, please do so at the door when you leave.*

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
You are one with us, Mary's Son;  
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,  
pouring Your love and goodness in  
Jesus our love for you we sing,  
Living Lord.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
now and every day  
Teach us how to pray, Son of God.  
You have commanded us to do  
this in remembrance, Lord, of you:  
Into our lives your power breaks through,  
Living Lord.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us  
Born as one with us, Mary's Son;  
Led out to die on Calvary,  
risen from death to set us free,  
living Lord Jesus help us see,  
You are Lord.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
I would come to you,  
live my life for you, Son of God.  
All your commands I know are true,  
your many gifts will make me new,  
into my life your power breaks through,  
Living Lord.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

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

*Priest*      Lift up your hearts.  
**All**            **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

*The priest praises God for sending Jesus with a prayer, which concludes:*

**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.**

*The priest recalls Jesus' words and actions at the Last Supper. The deacon proclaims:*

*Deacon*     Great is the mystery of faith:  
**All**            **Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

*The priest continues to pray the prayer of thanksgiving, after which we kneel for*  
**The Lord's Prayer**

**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 consecrated bread is broken*

*Priest* 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.**

*We sing the Agnus Dei*

**All** **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.**

*Priest* Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessèd 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 baptized Christians who normally receive communion in their own churches are welcome to receive communion here. If you don't wish to receive communion then please come forward for a blessing and bow your head.*

*During communion the Choir will sing an anthem, and we will sing the following hymn.*

**Just as I am, without one plea,  
but that thy blood was shed for me,  
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt;  
fightings within, and fears without,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive;  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,  
because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thy love unknown  
has broken every barrier down;  
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, of that free love  
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
here for a season, then above:  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

*After communion a prayer of thanksgiving is offered by the priest.*

*We then pray,*

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

## **The Dismissal**

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

*The priest gives God's blessing, to which we respond: **Amen.***

*Deacon*     Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**All**        **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*We sing our final hymn as the altar party leaves.*

**Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:  
Lord for the years, we bring our thanks today.**

**Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.**

**Lord, for our land in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:  
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.**

**Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt you,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**

**Lord for ourselves; in living pow'r remake us-  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

*We hope you have enjoyed our celebration today.  
Please join us after the service for refreshments at the back of church.*