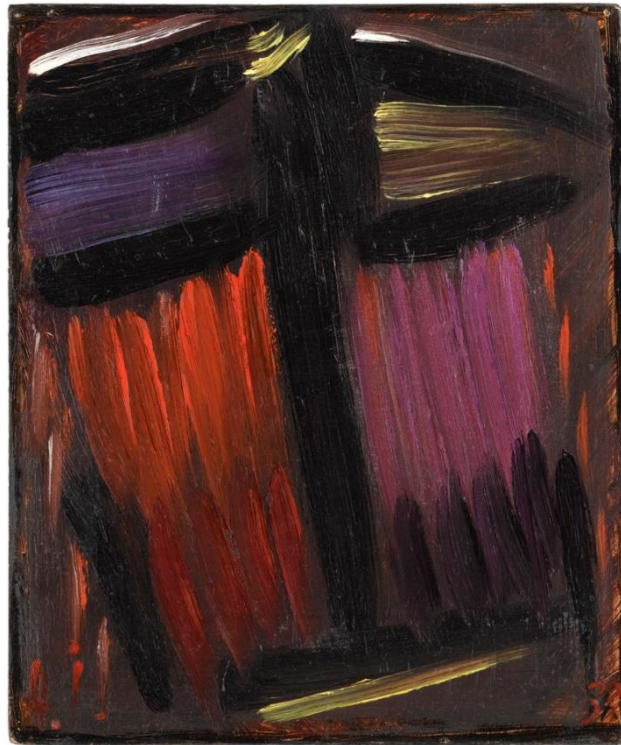


## St John's Malone. TRINITY XII Proper 17

Sunday 30th August 2020 at 10.30am ~ Worship Sheet



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### **The Order for THE EUCHARIST OR HOLY COMMUNION 2 Pg.201 BCP 2004**

#### **The Gathering of God's People**

#### **THE GREETING**

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

**Welcome by the Rector.** *A sentence of scripture may be read (see pages 78-82), and the presiding minister may introduce the liturgy of the day.*

#### **THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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.

## PENITENCE

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart  
and with all your soul and with all your mind.  
This is the first and great commandment.  
And the second is like it.  
You shall love your neighbour as yourself  
On these two commandments depend all the law  
and the prophets. *Matthew 22: 37-39*

**Lord, have mercy on us,  
and write these your laws in our hearts.**

*The Confession is introduced with appropriate words, such as:*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

### *Silence*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned in thought and word and deed,  
and in what we have left undone.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may walk 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.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's 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 OF THE DAY

*The presiding minister introduces the Collect, allowing a short space for silence, and the people respond to the Collect with their Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray  
and to give more than either we desire, or deserve:  
Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid,  
and giving us those good things  
which we are not worthy to ask  
save through the merits and mediation  
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

## Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

## THE FIRST READING

### *Romans 12: 9-21*

9 Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in

suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; <sup>\*</sup>do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; <sup>\*</sup>for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’ <sup>20</sup>No, ‘if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’ <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**[THE GRADUAL**

*A canticle, psalm, hymn, anthem or acclamation may be sung.]*

**THE GOSPEL READING**

*The Gospel Reading is introduced by the following words:*

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ,  
according to ... chapter ... beginning at verse ...

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Matthew 16: 21-28**

21 From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, ‘God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.’ 23 But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.’

24 Then Jesus told his disciples, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

26 For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life?  
Or what will they give in return for their life?

27 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. 28 Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

### **THE NICENE CREED**

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 by the Holy Spirit of 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

Lord, in your mercy:                      or      Lord, hear us:  
**hear our prayer.**                      **Lord, Graciously hear us.** Or another  
versicle or response is used.

*At the end of the Intercessions the following may be used when appropriate:*

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

*or other suitable words*

*[ If the Penitence comes at this point of the service it may be followed by:*

### THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness  
but in your manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.  
But you are the same Lord,  
whose nature is always to have mercy.  
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.]

### THE PEACE

*The presiding minister introduces the Peace with suitable words:*

*followed by: Those watching the recorded service from home are invited to  
share the Peace with those next to them.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
and also with you.



## **Celebrating at the Lord's Table**

*The table may be prepared by a deacon or lay people.*

*The gifts of money may be left on the alms dish on the table when leaving the building at the north door.*

### **AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE**

*The bread and wine shall be placed on the table for the communion if this has not already been done and a prayer may be said*

*Prayer of Preparation*

### **THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

*Stand*

*The bishop or priest who presides takes the bread and wine and may say*

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us  
**therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

#### **Prayer 1**

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Father, almighty and everliving God,  
at all times and in all places  
it is right to give you thanks and praise:

*When there is a Proper Preface it follows here (pages 224-235)*

And so with all your people,  
with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**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!**

Blessed are you, Father,  
the creator and sustainer of all things;  
you made us in your own image,  
male and female you created us;  
even when we turned away from you,  
you never ceased to care for us,  
but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,  
giving your only begotten Son to become man  
and suffer death on the cross to redeem us;  
he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world:  
he instituted,  
and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of his precious death  
until he comes again:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;  
and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you,  
he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you,  
for 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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup  
we do as Christ your Son commanded:

**we remember his passion and death,  
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,  
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,  
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit  
that we may be made one in your holy Church  
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,  
that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same 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, Almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

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## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*The presiding minister says*

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The presiding minister (who may be assisted by the deacon) breaks the consecrated bread in preparation for the Communion*

The bread which we break  
is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.**

*The following anthem may be said or sung after the Breaking of the Bread or during the Communion*

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

### **Words of Invitation**

**Holy Communion will be administered in one kind in your pew. You may sit to receive. Please leave your mask on until the priest has moved away.**

*Holy Communion will be administered in the nave first, followed by those in the north transept and side chapel.*

## **THE COMMUNION FOR THOSE WHO WILL NOT BE RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT AT THIS TIME THE FOLLOWING MAY BE SAID PRIVATELY**

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.      *~after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

## **THE GREAT SILENCE**

## Going Out as God's People

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of compassion,  
in this eucharist we know again your forgiveness  
and the healing power of your love.  
Grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that forgiveness and healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All say*

Almighty God,  
**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of 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 [ *Strengthen us* ] in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

*The presiding minister says the seasonal blessing,*  
...and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ, Amen.**

**Organ.**

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*Please wait in your pew until directed to leave by the stewards. The exit is via the north porch in the one way system. The alms dish and worship sheet deposit box are on the way out on the table in the north transept.*

## *TODAY'S READINGS:*

**Romans 12:9-21:** Paul encourages the believers to be committed to a life of love for one another and even for enemies – seeking to bless and not curse, and to conquer evil with good.

**Matthew 16:21-28:** Jesus tells the disciples about his coming death to which Peter responds with a rebuke. Jesus in turn corrects Peter and calls the disciples to take up their crosses, to follow Jesus (in his suffering) and to give their lives in order to save their souls.

## **REFLECTIONS ON THEME:**

What does God's call mean for us? What can we expect when we receive God's call? These are the questions at the heart of this week's Lectionary, and they flow beautifully out of last week's challenge. In the Gospel the movement is from Peter's declaration of who Jesus is, and, the foundations of Church in bringing Christ to the world (last week) to Jesus' embrace of the cross and call for us to follow (this week). The Romans reading supports both the Gospel and the Moses story as it calls God's people to live in love for one another & for enemies, giving themselves for the well-being of others in practical ways.

So, what God may be wanting us to hear this week is that we are all called to follow Christ to be liberators of others, serving and loving all people, including our enemies, and that as we respond to this call we must be willing to lay our lives down and embrace the inevitable suffering and sacrifice that will come. Yet, even in the midst of this tough word is a light of hope. It is in this self-giving love that we find our 'souls' (our true, God-given selves) and we discover true, abundant life.

## **CONNECTING WITH LIFE:**

**GLOBAL APPLICATION:** In our pain-avoidant world, the idea that we should embrace sacrifice and suffering as a response to God's call sounds ridiculous. Yet, as we seek healing and sustainability in our world, we cannot but see the wisdom in this call. We may not be a Moses or a Jesus, but as each of us embrace our "calledness", we can have global impact in our own small way. But it will require us to release our places of privilege, to turn away from our consumer, accumulation mentality, and to embrace the sacrifice of simple living, of greater financial contribution (if we are among the more wealthy – which if you're reading this, you almost certainly are), and of personal willingness to relinquish comfort and luxury. We may find ourselves choosing to walk more or to ride a bicycle instead of using our cars as much. We may need to reduce our meat

intake. We may need to allocate more of our income to giving and support of those with less. We may have to take stands in uncomfortable ways among our friends and families over issues like inclusion of the marginalised, and loving our enemies. It may mean choosing to give our vote to a difficult and unpopular cause. We may need to learn more about a foreign culture and seek to understand people we would normally consider “enemies”. It may mean giving up on certain clothes, foodstuffs or sweets in order to ensure we don’t participate in the oppression or slavery of others. One thing is certain, though: God’s call will lead us to take our global citizenship seriously and to contribute sacrificially in whatever way we can to the healing of our world and its inhabitants. And as we as individuals and groups respond to God’s call, we become part of a movement of grace, healing, love and sacrifice that has the power to really change things for the better.

### **Notices:**

- Toilets are now available. Please leave them as you’d wish to find them and take the necessary hand hygiene seriously, remembering to turn off the tap with a paper towel. The disinfectant spray supplied should be used on the toilet seat and flush handle after use.
- Under GDPR guidance we need to tell you that we will be recording the service and/or livestreaming. The camera will point towards the nave altar and pulpit and not towards the congregation although those coming to and from the side areas will be in the camera view for a short time.
- Holy Communion will be administered in the nave first.
- Thank you for your compliance and cooperation as we adjust to the new ways of worshipping together.
- A service of Compline is livestreamed on ‘St John’s Malone’ Facebook every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. if you do not have a Prayer Book at home, ask the churchwardens and they will supply you with one from church. BCP pg.154. Alternatively you’ll find it on the Church of Ireland website Worship section BCP 2004 texts.
- Access to the suite of church halls is still strictly limited. Contact the Rector before entering the halls or church and follow the necessary hygiene and cleansing precautions. This is for the purposes of tracking and tracing.
- Next Sunday, Trinity 13 Sunday **6<sup>th</sup> September**: Sunday First at 10.30am & **11.30am Holy Communion in the church hall.**

## ST JOHN'S SOCIAL MEDIA

- St John's has a Twitter page on @malonestjohns which carries up to date information on parish life and other religious and secular matters.
- Rector: [malone@connor.anglican.org](mailto:malone@connor.anglican.org)
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- Website: [www.malone.connor.anglican.org](http://www.malone.connor.anglican.org)
- Instagram: **worthy\_communicant** is the new St John's Instagram page and we'd like you to follow us by giving us a 'Like'!



## **South Belfast Foodbank~ latest news and how to continue to support South Belfast Foodbank**

The foodbank continues on at a pace. We have teams delivering food every week night which has continued to go well. Our numbers decreased in July but things have picked up again. We expect things to further increase once the furlough scheme ends but we are not sure exactly what that will mean for us.

It really has been a privilege to be able to support people during this time but we are sad that we are unable to have face to face contact with our clients as that was an essential and valuable addition to our service over the years.

We have been discussing our future plans and we are looking at what South Belfast Foodbank will look like moving forward. It does seem as if home deliveries will be our method of supporting people for the foreseeable future but we do hope it will not be this way forever. This would be a real point for prayer. Would you pray for us as we discuss and begin to consider any future plans? Please pray that we would have wisdom in knowing how to continue serving people in the best and safest way possible.

The foodbank has continued to greatly restrict what food comes into the warehouse, out of an abundance of caution. At present, we are still only **accepting donations from our trolley at Tescos Newtownbreda**. If you shop in that store then please feel free to drop any items into the trolleys there. Please note that only items bought in store can be donated here.

We hope to lift the restrictions and reopen the ability to donate food and we will let you know once that happens as we know how valuable the donations have been from churches over the years. We literally could not have functioned if we had not had those donations faithfully given over many years.

If you'd like, instead of making a food donation, you could donate what you were going to give via our online giving platform

at <https://www.goldengiving.com/secure/donation/south-belfast-foodbank>

Or you could use our virtual online store via Bankuet

at <https://www.bankuet.co.uk/southbelfast>

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Please PRINT your name and the names of any accompanying you today and supply a phone number to enable tracking and tracing. If you become ill with any symptoms of Covid19 *and are subsequently tested positive*, please contact the Rector as soon as possible and follow government guidelines. *Deposit this sheet in the box in the porch on the way out. Thank you.*

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