

The Parish of Malone

The Church of St John the Evangelist



Man with the Withered Hand Date: 1886-1896 Artist: Tissot, James, 1836-1902

First Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 2nd June 2024

10:30am

THE GREETING

L The grace and the peace of the risen Lord be with you.

P And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts toward heaven—

P: Sing to the Lord a new song!

L: The Lord is like no other God—

P: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

L: Come together to pray and praise:

**P: The Lord has made us—Alleluia! To the Lord we belong, forever—
Amen!**

Hymn 330

God is here; as we his people meet to offer praise and prayer,
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of his Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
Here are table, font and pulpit, here the cross has central place;
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence as in speech,
Here in newness and renewal God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold,
Here, as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us, as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom, in an age of change and doubt
Keep us faithful to the gospel, help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive.
We, who cannot live without you, we adore you, we believe.

PENITENCE

As we bow our heads, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that
we may receive mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *(Heb. 4:16)*

Leader: God we have gone our own way

All: Forgive us and help us to change

Leader: We have done things that you did not like

All: Forgive us and help us to change

Leader: We have not done the things that you have asked us to do

All: Forgive us and help us to change

Leader: We have been selfish and unkind

All: Forgive us and help us to change

Leader: We have ignored the needs of others

All: Forgive us and help us to change

Leader: We long to be different and to live as you want

All: Give us strength and help us to change **Amen**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE COLLECT

God,

the strength of all those who put their trust in you:

Mercifully accept our prayers

and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature

we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace,

that in the keeping of your commandments

we may please you, both in will and deed;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Psalm 139

1 O Lord, you have searched me out and known me; ♦

you know my sitting down and my rising up;

you discern my thoughts from afar.

2 You mark out my journeys and my resting place ♦

and are acquainted with all my ways.

3 For there is not a word on my tongue, ♦

but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

4 You encompass me behind and before ♦

and lay your hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, ♦

so high that I cannot attain it.

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; ♦

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

- 13** I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; ♦
marvellous are your works, my soul knows well.
- 14** My frame was not hidden from you, ♦
when I was made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15** Your eyes beheld my form, as yet unfinished; ♦
already in your book were all my members written,
- 16** As day by day they were fashioned ♦
when as yet there was none of them.
- 17** How deep are your counsels to me, O God! ♦
How great is the sum of them!
- 18** If I count them, they are more in number than the sand, ♦
and at the end, I am still in your presence.

Reading Mark 2: 23 - 3: 6

23 One sabbath he was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, ‘Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?’ ²⁵And he said to them, ‘Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.’ ²⁷Then he said to them, ‘The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.’

3Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, ‘Come forward.’ ⁴Then he said to them, ‘Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?’ But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, ‘Stretch out your hand.’ He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN: 701

Jubilate, ev'rybody,
Serve the Lord in all your ways,
And come before his presence singing:
Enter now his courts with praise.
For the Lord our God is gracious,
And his mercy everlasting.
Jubilate, jubilate, jubilate Deo!



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ADDRESS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us remind ourselves that we all, believe in the same things, share the love of God.

**We believe in God
Whose power made the world,
Whose love reaches out to all people,
And whose promises are always true.**



**We believe in Jesus
Who came as the final proof that God keeps his promises.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
Who helps us to trust God every day.
We believe in the church,
Through which God shows his love to the world.**

HYMN 596

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu-, alleluia:

Alleluia, alleluia. alleluia. alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek, and ye shall find;
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Allelu-, alleluia:

Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord;
Allelu-, alleluia:

PRAYERS

We pray that our church might be a place full of light, we pray to you, God of light
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

We pray that our homes may be places full of love, we pray to you, God of light
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

We pray that our schools, places of work and places of fun may be places of joy,
we pray to you, God of light
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

We pray that those who are in pain or sadness may discover hope, we pray to you, God of light
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

We pray that men, women and children in our world may live their lives in peace, we pray to you, God of light
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering up all our petitions to serve the needs of the world we pray as our Saviour Christ has taught us:

**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.**

Hymn 658 (*Collection*)

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go:
from the old things to the new
keep me travelling along with you:

*And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.*

Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me:

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know:

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough;
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you:

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me;
ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you:

BLESSING

May the faithfulness of the Father be with you in all you face; **Amen**

May the love of the Son go with you wherever you go; **Amen**

May the power of the Spirit be yours in everything you do. **Amen**

May the light of God's love shine in your home and shine in your heart;
and the blessing of God Almighty...**Amen**

Services this week

Thursday 6th June St Columba (tr)

10:30pm Eucharist with intercessions for those in any kind of need

(A cup of tea/coffee is available after this service.)

Next Sunday

Trinity 2

9.00 a.m.

Eucharist

10.30 a.m.

Sung Eucharist

Notices

Monday 3rd June 7.30pm Meeting of the Select Vestry

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