

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR



All Age Worship
Sunday 4th May 2025
Easter 3

The Miraculous Catch of Fish

We Gather

Hymn *Let us build a house*

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive;
built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
*All are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

2 Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: *All are welcome...*

3 Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: *All are welcome...*

4 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *All are welcome...*

Marty Haugen (b.1950)

Welcome and Introduction

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

This is the day that the Lord has made

We will rejoice and be glad in it

Loving God, we have come together to worship you.

Help us to pray to you in faith,

to shout your praise with gratitude,

and to listen to your word with eagerness;

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We say sorry

Sometimes we forget to do what God or others ask us to do, sometimes on purpose, sometimes in weakness. So we are going to be still for a moment and say sorry to God and ask for his forgiveness.

Clasp your hands together tightly as if holding something small

God, we are sorry that we are mean and selfish.

We forget to share everything that is good in our lives.

Hear us.

And forgive us.

Cross your hands over your body, touching your shoulders

God, we are sorry because we are unkind and uncaring.

We don't trust you or ourselves, and we ignore the good news of your love.

Hear us.

And forgive us.

Place your hands on your knees and keep your head low

God, we are sorry that we are thoughtless and easily distracted.

We don't look up or out to your world.

Hear us.
And forgive us.

God forgives us

Almighty God,
who in Jesus Christ has given us
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,
forgive us our sins,
open our eyes to God's truth,
strengthen us to do God's will
and give us the joy of his kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Praise: Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.
To him be glory forever.
To him be glory forever.
Alleluia, amen!
Alleluia, amen!
Alleluia, amen!
Alleluia, amen!

Glory to God, glory to God, son of the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.

The Collect: the special prayer for today

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Hymn *Colours of Day*

Colours of day dawn into the mind,
The sun has come up, the night is behind.
Go down in the city, into the street,
And let's give the message to the people we meet.

*So light up the fire and let the flame burn,
Open the door, let Jesus return.
Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow,
Tell the people of Jesus, let His love show.*

Go through the park, on into the town;
The sun still shines on, it never goes down.
The light of the world is risen again;
The people of darkness are needing our friend.

So light up the fire...

Open your eyes, look into the sky,
The darkness has come, the Son came to die.
The evening draws on, the sun disappears,
But Jesus is living, His Spirit is near.

So light up the fire...

Sue McClellan (b.1951), John Paculabo (b.1946) and Keith Ryecroft (b.1949)
© Kingsway's Thankyou Music

Please remain standing for the Gospel reading

Gospel Reading *John 21.1-14 Good News Translation.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus appeared once more to his disciples at Lake Tiberias. This is how it happened. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael (the one from Cana in Galilee), the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples of Jesus were all together. Simon Peter said to the others, "I am going fishing."

"We will come with you," they told him. So they went out in a boat, but all that night they did not catch a thing. As the sun was rising, Jesus stood at the water's edge, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

Then he asked them, "Young men, haven't you caught anything?"

"Not a thing," they answered.

He said to them, "Throw your net out on the right side of the boat, and you will catch some."

Talk and Activity

So they threw the net out and could not pull it back in, because they had caught so many fish.

The disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Peter heard that it was the Lord, he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken his clothes off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples came to shore in the boat, pulling the net full of fish. They were not very far from land, about a hundred yards away. When they stepped ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there with fish on it and some bread.

Then Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught."

Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net ashore full of big fish, a hundred and fifty-three in all; even though there were so many, still the net did not tear. Jesus said to them, "Come and eat." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. So Jesus went over, took the bread, and gave it to them; he did the same with the fish.

This, then, was the third time Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from death.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you maybe;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came with me and the dance went on:

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
the holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,
and they left me there on a cross to die:

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
but I am the dance and I still go on:

They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he:

We Respond

Statement of faith

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.

Please sit or kneel

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

We pray together the words that Jesus taught us

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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.

The Peace

Please stand

God makes peace within us - let us claim it.
God makes peace between us - let us share it.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of Peace.

Music

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love whom we had slain,
Thinking that He never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for the three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead our risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Then Your touch can call us back to life again;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Notices and Banns

We go out

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 his body lay.

*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 hast lost its sting.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Final acclamation

There are varieties of gifts,
but the same spirit.

There are varieties of service,
but the same Lord.

There are different kinds of working,
but the same God is at work in all.

We go into the world
**To walk in God's light
To rejoice in God's love
And to reflect God's glory.**

Blessing

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

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

Contact Us:

www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk

Registered Charity 1135432

5 Ranmoor Park Road, Sheffield, S10 3GX

0114 230 1199

administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk

The Church Copyright Licence number is 54701;

The Music Reproduction Licence number is 54701;

The CCLA Church Licence number is 2115253