



St John the Evangelist Farsley

10.30<sub>am</sub> Morning Worship during Lent

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

***Service leader and preacher: Sue***

*Service to be uploaded to Youtube (St Johns Church Farsley)*

*<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdhScV6kVZNLRNW8sV7GLVg>*

*Welcome*

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

***Hymn:***

***Sit. Lenten Meditation for week five, during which one candle is extinguished (see script).***



Let us pray:

**Loving God, as we journey through this holy season of Lent, give us strength and courage to make the changes that are needed in our lives. Open our hearts and minds to your steadfast presence and help us to put our trust in you. Amen**

*The leader says*

We have come together in the name of Christ  
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,  
to hear and receive God's holy word,  
to pray for the needs of the world,  
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
we may give ourselves to the service of God.

*Invitation to Confession*

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*1 John 1.8,9*

We pray together

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned in thought,  
word and deed.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;**

**that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.**

**Amen.**

*The leader declares God's forgiveness, in these or other words:*

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

**Amen.**

O Lord, open our lips;

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Let us worship the Lord.

**All praise to his name.**

**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.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### *1st Reading*

Ezekiel 37.1-14

*At the end of the reading the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Hymn:***

Romans 8.6-11

*At the end of the reading the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Sermon*

***Hymn:***

*The Apostle's Creed*

***REMAIN STANDING***

*Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

KNEEL or SIT

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*The Lord's Prayer*

Jesus taught us to call God our Father, and so in faith and trust we say

**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 for ever.**

**Amen.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen;  
**and teach her counsellors wisdom.**

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;  
**and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, make your ways known upon the earth;  
**let all nations acknowledge your saving power.**

Give your people the blessing of peace;  
**and let your glory be over all the world.**

Make our hearts clean, O God;  
**and renew a right spirit within us.**

***The Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Lent is said***

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The Morning Collect*

**Eternal God and Father, you create us by your power  
and redeem us by your love:  
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,  
that we may give ourselves in love and service  
to one another and to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

***Hymn:***

*Intercessions*

*This response may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*And at the end*

The Coronavirus crisis prayer:

**Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy.  
In this time of uncertainty and distress,  
sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low,  
that we may rejoice in your comfort,  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## **HYMN:**

*We give thanks for the offerings we have made this week, in person, in our practical care for others, and in our financial giving for the work of the church, and ask God to bless it all.*

## *Blessing*

May the God of hope give us all joy and peace in believing,  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among us and remain with us always.

**Amen.**

## *The Dismissal*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**