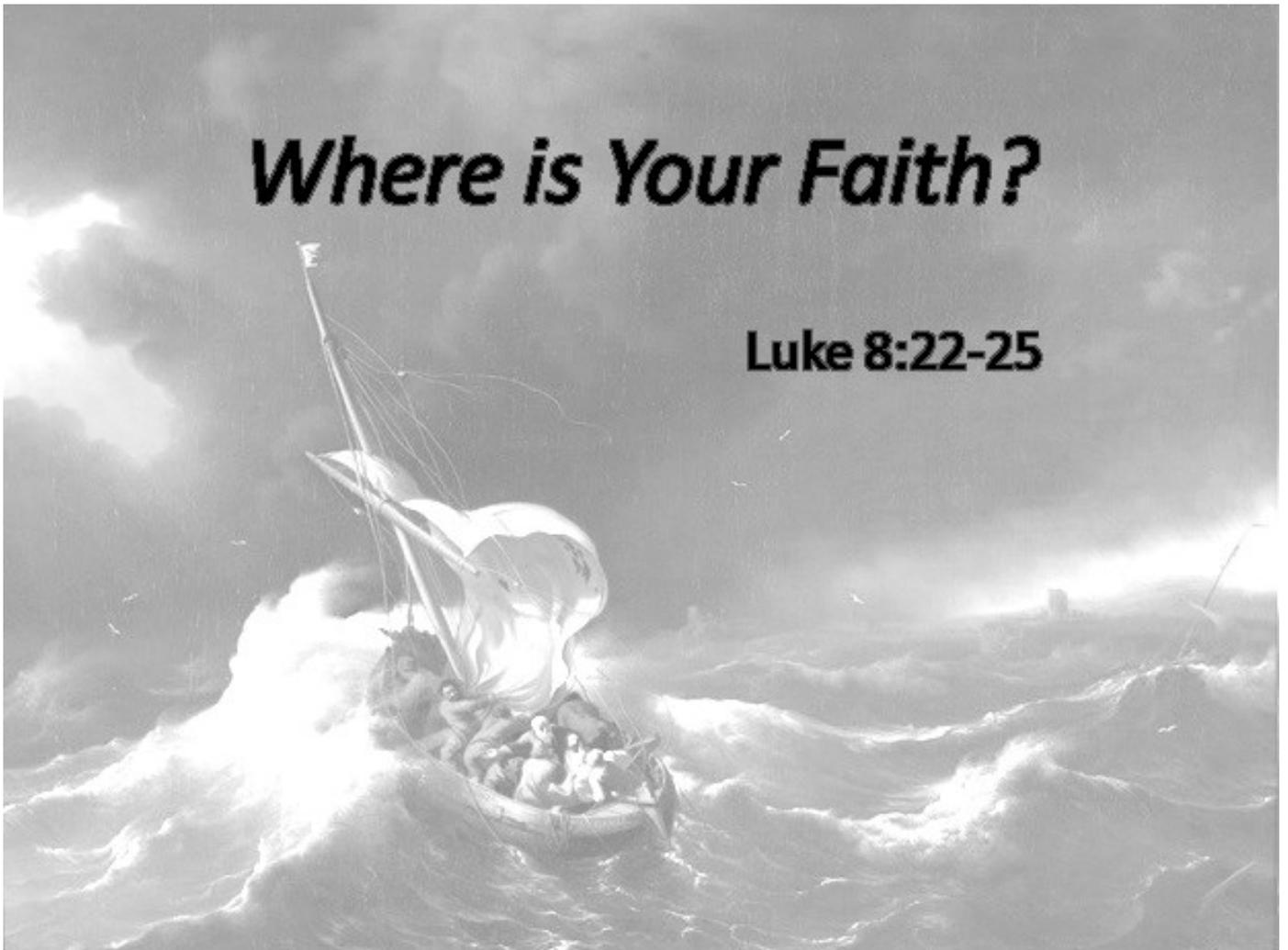


The Parish Church of St Giles with St Mary's, Pontefract

Where is Your Faith?

Luke 8:22-25



The Second Sunday before Lent
20th February 2022, 10.15 a.m.

Welcome to this celebration of Parish Mass for the Second Sunday before Lent.

The setting for Mass today is Kilcreggan and Lourdes Gloria

People of all denominations who are in good standing with their own church are welcome to come and receive communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing, please come to the altar carrying this order of service.

Please let clergy or a churchwarden know at the beginning of the service if you need a gluten-free host.

5 minutes before the service begins,
a bell will ring to signal that a period of quiet reflection is kept
during which you may wish to use this prayer.

**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**

A bell is rung to begin our worship.

The Gathering

Introit Hymn (354)

**Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed limits keep:**

**O hear us when we cry to Thee
for those in peril on the sea.**

**O Saviour whose almighty word
the winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
and calm amid its rage didst sleep:**

O hear us...

**O sacred Spirit, Who didst brood
upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,
and gavest light and life and peace:**

O hear us...

**O Trinity of love and power,
our brethren shield in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them whereso'er they go:
and ever let there rise to Thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.**

William Whiting

† In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Greeting

The president greets the people

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

Acclamation

The sun of righteousness has dawned with healing in his wings. cf Malachi 4.2

Invitation to confession

Hear what St Paul says:

This saying is true, and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1.15

Let us come to the light of Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Prayer of Penitence

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.**

**We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.**

**For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.**

Amen.

The president says

May the Father of all mercies
✠ cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis (Lourdes)

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.



Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

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.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

The Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent

Let us pray.

Silence is kept

Almighty God,

you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:

teach us to discern your hand in all your works

and your likeness in all your children;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Revelations 4

A reading from the book of Revelations.

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.



Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

'Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

'You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.'

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Alleluía

Gospel Reading Luke 8. 22-25

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

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

Sermon

The 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 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.

Prayers of Intercession

We come boldly to the throne of grace,
praying to the almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for mercy and grace.

After each prayer: Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

We pray for those for whom prayers have been requested:

Mike; Steven; Terry; Robert; Janice; Cynthia; Steph; Tracey; Brenda; Dawn;
Morag; Robert Metcalfe; Janis Gallagher; Lucy Nichol; Marjorie Sanderson; Carl
Thornton; Pat Steel; Janet Hickling; Ann Knox; Fr Mark; David Murray; Rhys
Williams; Alan Sambrooks; Linda Sambrooks; Adrian Pope; Jonathan Bellamy;
Carl Farraker; Tony Williams; Clive Wood; Sylvia Cook; Andrew and Jennie
Priest; David and Denzil.

We pray for those who have recently died:

Charles William Chapman; Barbara Berridge; Janet Robinson; Paul Radley;
Maureen Steane.

Those whose years mind falls at this time:

Hu Pickard; Irene Gartland; Bernard Goddard; Constance Taylor; Dorothy
Barnett.

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

Our children and young people return (St Giles' 3:16 group)

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Altar

Offertory Hymn (408)

**Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
all Thy faithful mercies crown.**

**Jesu, Thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love Thou art;
visit us with Thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.**

**Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all Thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
glory in Thy perfect love.**

**Finish then Thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see Thy great salvation
perfectly restored in Thee:
changed from glory into glory,**

*till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before Thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

Words: Charles Wesley

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Heavenly Father,
as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine,
bless also the gift of our hearts and minds
as we offer our lives in your service;
for Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts

Pray, my brothers and sisters
that this my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his
church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Let us pray.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

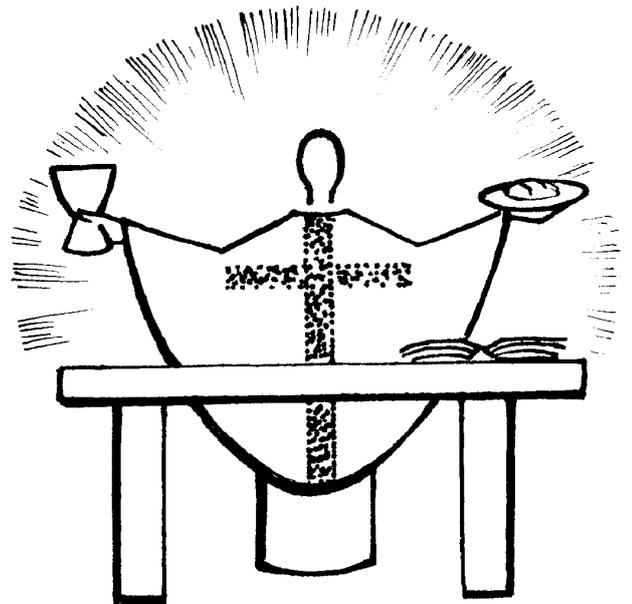
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Lord God,



our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

Sanctus & Benedictus Kilcreggan

*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.*

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; 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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with Our Lady, Giles and all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.**

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God.

Romans 8.15-16

So we pray to God our Father in the words our Saviour 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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

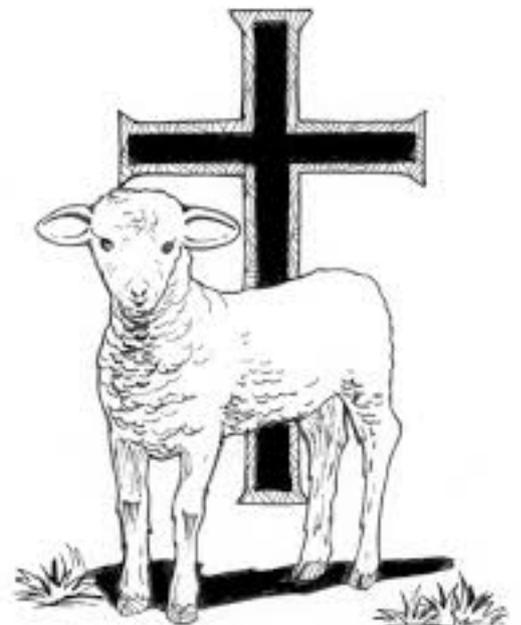
We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei Kilcreggan

*Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace.*



Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion.

Jesus is the lamb of God
Who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
But only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The president and people receive communion.

The body of Christ broken for you. **Amen.**

If you would prefer not to receive Holy Communion, please use this prayer of spiritual communion.

**My Jesus, I believe that you
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

Organ Voluntary

Hymn

**Fierce raged the tempest o'er the deep,
Watch did Thine anxious servants keep
But Thou wast wrapped in guileless sleep,
Calm and still.**

**Save, Lord, we perish, was their cry,
O save us in our agony!
Thy word above the storm rose high,
Peace, be still.**

**The wild winds hushed; the angry deep
Sank, like a little child, to sleep;
The sullen billows ceased to leap,
At Thy will.**

**So, when our life is clouded o'er,
And storm winds drift us from the shore,
Say, lest we sink to rise no more,
Peace, be still.**

Godfrey Thring

Choir Anthem *Be still, my soul* - Jean Sibelius

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

Let us pray.

**God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life
was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life
at the heart of your Church:**

**may we who have been nourished
at your table on earth be transformed
by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

Notices are given.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May the Father from whom every family
in earth and heaven receives its name
strengthen you with his Spirit in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith;
and the blessing of God ...

Amen.

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

Hymn (466)

**Thou whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the Gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray
let there be light.**

**Thou, who didst come to bring
on Thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth Thy flight;
move o'er the waters' face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**Blessed and holy Three,
glorious Trinity,
wisdom, love, might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide
let there be light.**

John Marriott

The clergy and people depart.

Organ Voluntary

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A FURTHER UPDATE FROM January 26th 2022

'Within the church we believe that everyone is known and loved individually by God and that as many members within one body we are called to be responsible to and for one another, respecting the most vulnerable'. *Covid-19 Opening and managing church buildings 25th January 2022.*

Following the latest update from the UK Government and Church of England, the wearing of masks whilst entering, leaving or moving around the church building is no longer mandatory, but 'recommended in enclosed or crowded places, particularly where you come into contact with people you don't normally meet'. This is now a matter for personal judgement underpinned by considering what helps each other.

At St Giles', in the **next four weeks** we are not making any big changes to our present covid safe practices. Our hope is that in coming weeks the current high rates of infection in our District will reduce, making for safer public spaces.

So....

- The government still advises that the safest way of public mingling is outdoors, bear that in mind when worship ends.
- Hand sanitizer stations will continue to be available and their use encouraged.
- The wearing of masks throughout services (including the singing of hymns) continues to be advised, but is not mandatory.
- Those leading worship, or singing in the choirs will remove masks for these purposes
- We will continue following a one-way system for coming up for communion and moving around church.
- Doors will continue to be opened at certain points during worship in order to improve ventilation. Please wrap up if you are near to an exit.
- If you would like seat spaces left between you and the next person, please take a card(s) from reception to place on the seats beside you. Strict socially distanced seating will be retained in the balcony.
- The physical sharing of the peace with family seated alongside you is fine.
- We will continue to retain only taking communion in one kind.
- The collection will remain as a basket/plate placed near the north door.
- When seated in the café taking refreshments, masks are not required, but are encouraged for movement around the café.
- The above information applies to all other services in church, but we recognise that it proves difficult to ensure compliance at funerals and baptisms.
- Government guidance still advises increased frequency of cleaning to reduce contact transmission.