

# MAYFIELD SALISBURY PARISH CHURCH

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 10.45am



'The Sower', Vincent van Gogh (1888)

## COMMUNION - THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Led by Revd Dr Sandy Forsyth, with the congregation in church and online

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*'All big things come from small beginnings'* – James Clear

*'Do not despise these small beginnings, for the Lord rejoices to see the work begin'* – Zechariah 4:10

*'A rose started off a bud, a bird started off an egg, and a forest started off a seed.'* - Matshona Dhliwayo

## **AS A DIVERSE PEOPLE, THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP ALMIGHTY GOD**

**Organ Voluntary** Le Banquet Céleste, Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

### **Welcome & Intimations**

**Presentation and Thanks to Charles Garland  
as retiring Session Clerk**

### **Introit – 'O Taste and See' The Chamber Group**

Words: Psalm 34:8, Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is; blest is the man that trusteth in him.

### **The Grace**

### **Preparatory Silence for Worship**

### **Call to Worship (from Psalm 34:8-10)**

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good;

**All: Happy are those who take refuge in him.**

Leader: O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,

**All: For those who fear him have no want.**

Leader: The young lions suffer want and hunger,

**All: But those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.**

**Hymn 247 'Moved by the Gospel, Let Us Move' (sung by the Chamber Group)**

1. Moved by the Gospel, let us  
move with every gift and art.  
The image of creative love  
indwells each human heart.  
The Maker calls creation good,  
so let us now express  
with sound and colour, stone  
and wood,  
the shape of holiness.
2. Let weavers form from broken strands a  
tapestry of prayer.  
Let artists paint with skilful hands their joy in  
lament and care,  
Then mime the story: Christ has come;  
With reverence dance the Word.  
With flute and organ, chime and  
drum, God's praise be ever  
heard.
3. O Spirit, breathe among us  
here, inspire the work we do.  
May hands and voices, eye and  
ear attest to life made new.  
In worship and in daily strife  
create among us still.  
Great Artist form our common  
life according to Your will.

## Prayer of Approach, Praise and Confession & Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

### The Collect for this Sunday – said by all

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son. Sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Old Testament Ezekiel 17:22-24 read by Jean MacGilchrist

#### Israel Exalted at Last

<sup>22</sup> Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of a cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one  
from the topmost of its young  
twigs;

I myself will plant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.

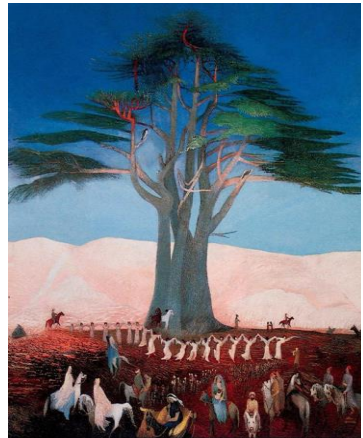
<sup>23</sup> On the mountain height of Israel  
I will plant it,  
in order that it may produce boughs  
and bear fruit,  
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;  
in the shade of its branches will  
nest

winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup> All the trees of the field shall know

'Pilgrimage to the Cedars of  
Lebanon', Csontváry Kosztká  
(1907)



that I am the Lord.  
I bring low the high tree,  
I make high the low tree;  
I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.  
I the Lord have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

**Anthem**

**Ave Verum Corpus**

**Chamber Group**

Words: 14th century Eucharist hymn; Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756 – 1791)

*Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.*

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who having truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mankind, whose pierced side flowed with water and blood: May it be for us a foretaste in the trial of death.

**New Testament Mark 4:26-34 read by Jean MacGilchrist**

### **The Parable of the Growing Seed**

26 He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, 27 and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. 28 The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. 29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

### **The Parable of the Mustard Seed**

30 He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? 31 It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; 32 yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

“White Mustard Seeds”,  
Edal Lefterov (2012)



### **The Use of Parables**

33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; 34 he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

### **Sermon ‘Hope from Small Beginnings’**

Revd Dr Sandy Forsyth

### **Prayer of Dedication and for Others**

### **Hymn ‘Ye Gates, Lift Up Your Heads on High’ (Psalm 24) - Chamber Group**

1. Ye gates lift up your heads on high;  
ye doors that last for aye,  
be lifted up, that so the King  
of glory enter may.
2. But who of glory is the King?  
The mighty Lord is this,  
even that same Lord that great in might  
and strong in battle is.
3. Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors,  
doors that do last for aye,

be lifted up, that so the King  
of glory enter may.

4. But who is he that is the King,  
the King of glory? who is this?  
The Lord of hosts, and none but he,  
the King of glory is.

Alleluia! Amen.

### **Invitation to the Table**

#### **Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you

**All: And also with you**

Leader: Lift up your hearts

**All: We lift them to the Lord**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

#### **Breaking of Bread**

Leader: Jesus, Lamb of God,

**All: have mercy on us**

Leader: Jesus, bearer of our sins,

**All: have mercy on us**

Leader: Jesus, redeemer of the world,

**All: grant us your peace**

### **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

#### **The Peace**

## Hymn 167 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy powerful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through;  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
Be thou still my Strength and Shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee.

### Closing Responses

Leader: The bread has been broken, the wine has been drunk,

The supper is over.

**All: We have met with Christ but the world awaits.**

Leader: Let us go then to offer our service, our faith and our love

**All: Until the world rejoices, and the kingdom has come.**

### Benediction

**Organ Voluntary** - Hyfrydol from Three Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

## TODAY'S INTROIT AND ANTHEM MUSIC

- The introit “O taste and see” was composed for the Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in 1953. The two mellifluous phrases of text are first sung by soprano solo and then echoed by the ensemble.
- The motet “Ave verum corpus” (K 618) is a late work of Mozart being composed in the last six months of his life. It was written for his friend Anton Stoll, the music director of a parish of Baden bei Vien, near Vienna. The original manuscript is devoid of any dynamic or expression marks other than the initial “sotto voce”. Although only 46 bars long it contains extreme intensity and beauty.

## INTIMATIONS

### ZOOM COFFEE TODAY AT 12NOON

Everyone welcome after the service for Zoom Coffee and Chat!

The link is:

[https://zoom.us/j/91620889282?pwd=SWVIZmQzMk9YZ2IBaTRC\\_VIUvZ215dz09](https://zoom.us/j/91620889282?pwd=SWVIZmQzMk9YZ2IBaTRC_VIUvZ215dz09)

Meeting ID: 916 2088 9282

Passcode: 335845

Bring your own coffee (or tea/juice!) If you prefer to phone in, the number to call is 0131 460 1196.

1. **FORTHCOMING SERVICES** The service next week (20 June) will be at 09:30am and we will be celebrating Communion again. The following week (27 June) the service will be at 10.45am. Throughout July and August the service will be held at 10:15am.. In July there will be no Sunday School provision. If you need any more information please call the church office (0780 801 1234) or check the website: [www.mayfieldsalisbury.org](http://www.mayfieldsalisbury.org)

2. **SESSION CLERK** Charles Garland has stood down as Session Clerk after three very busy years and we both thank him sincerely for all he has done and wish him well. The Kirk Session has appointed Boyd McAdam to succeed him, and we are delighted to welcome Boyd to this new role. Boyd may be contacted at [clerkmspc@gmail.com](mailto:clerkmspc@gmail.com) or on 07773587579.
3. **YOUTH GROUP (P6-S1 IN-PERSON) TONIGHT!** The P6-S1 group will meet TONIGHT from 7:00-8:30pm for an end-of-the-year party in the church garden! There will be s'mores, discussion and games!

Youth Group (S2-S6 in-person) 20 June: The S2-S6 group will meet from 7:00-8:30pm for an end-of-the-year party in the church garden! There will be s'mores, discussion and games!

Important covid-related details about the sessions, and information about how to book, can be accessed on the church website on the 'young people' page. Contact Hillary if you have any other questions!

4. **MIDWEEK PEACE AND PRAYERS RETURNS!** Midweek Peace and Prayers has resumed. Morning prayers returns to its original **Tuesday** morning and again we are combining this with the opportunity for silent reflection in our beautiful sanctuary. The timetable every Tuesday is **led prayers 10:00-10:30am**, with the **sanctuary remaining open 10:30-11:00 am**. All are welcome to participate in either or both.
5. **ART INSTALLATION UNTIL 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** We are delighted that the artists Peter and Heidi Gardner have created an installation called 'Hope Glimmers' on the grass on the West Mayfield side. More details at [www.mayfieldsalisbury/art](http://www.mayfieldsalisbury/art), and in the news story run by the Church of Scotland - <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2021/articles/Hope-Glimmers-art-installation-opens-at-Edinburgh-church> You are invited to a Zoom event to

'Meet the Artists' on Sunday 20 June at 7pm – register via our webpage.

6. **PLEASE NOTE** Due to current restrictions, Revd Dr Sandy Forsyth is regrettably unable to meet after the service today. Please feel free to be in contact by telephone **0131 667 1286** or by email at [AForsyth@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:AForsyth@churchofscotland.org.uk).
7. **PASTORAL CARE** Our pastoral visitors have recently all gone through some training and are eager to meet some new people. Do you know of someone who would benefit from having a visitor or someone phoning regularly?. Contact Kay for details 07903 266 307
8. **SUPPORT MAYFIELD SALISBURY CHURCH** Regular and one-off donations, now possible through: [www.give.net/20311853](http://www.give.net/20311853)
9. **OUR E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN IS UP AND RUNNING!** All prayer requests should be sent to [kay@backedge.co.uk](mailto:kay@backedge.co.uk), or handwritten and placed in the prayer box at the church door. An email will go out from Kay once a week with the prayer requests set out. If you would like to receive the weekly email and to pray for those situations, please get in touch with Kay.

### **Books for the Journey**

Steve Aisthorpe, *Re-Wilding the Church* (2020)

Bruce Stanley, *Forest Church* (2020)

Walter Brueggemann, *Virus as a Summons to Faith* (2020)

### **Forthcoming Deadlines**

*Order of service for next week:* Thursday at 6.00pm.

*Next Grapevine:* Friday 25 June at 6.00pm.

Please send submissions to the Church Manager, William Mearns.

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