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Welcome **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices - Cassandra

The Collect of the Day **Cassandra**

Opening Sentence **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

The Son of man must be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. John 3.14–15

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.. **Amen**

Opening Hymn - to Abraham and Sarah #123
(GB)

The Gathering of the Community **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

1st Reading -Genesis 12:1-4a - **Brittany Perkins**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

And also with you

Thanks be to God.

Almighty God,
**to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you 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**

The Psalm -Psalm 121

121:1 I lift up my eyes to the hills-- from where will my help come?

**121:2 My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

121:3 He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

**121:4 He who keeps Israel will neither
slumber nor sleep.**

121:5 The LORD is your keeper; the
LORD is your shade at your right hand.

**121:6 The sun shall not strike you by
day, nor the moon by night.**

121:7 The LORD will keep you from all
evil; he will keep your life.

**121:8 The LORD will keep your going
out and your coming in from this time
on and forevermore.**

Be present, merciful God, and protect us
in times of danger, so that we who are
wearied by the changes and chances of
this life may rest in your eternal
changelessness; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. **Amen**

2nd Reading -Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 - **Brittany
Perkins**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the
church.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn - now there is no male or
female #62 (GB)

The Gospel - John 3:1-17- **Rev Wilson
Akinwale**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ According to ...

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Reflection - **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

Affirmation of Faith - **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only
Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of
the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again
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.**

Prayers for the Community **Cassandra**

*Additional intercessions, petitions and
thanksgivings may be offered in silence
or aloud. Among these concerns it is
appropriate to remember • the
persecuted • the oppressed peoples of
the world; • all who are lonely; • all who
are near to death and • all who are
facing loss.*

God of the covenant,
you call us to be fruitful servants within
creation,

and to offer our lives
as the foundation of your realm.
We lay before you the desires of our
hearts,
that we may be transformed by their
fulfillment..

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in
the way of unity,
service, and praise.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Give to all nations an awareness of the
unity of the human
family.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and
selfishness, and inspire us
to hunger and thirst for what is right.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to use your creation for your
greater praise, that all
may share the good things you provide.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Strengthen all who give their energy or
skill for the healing of
those who are sick in body or in mind.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Set free all who are bound by fear and
despair.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to
all who are dying, and
your comfort to those who mourn.
Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

Grant, O God, that the prayers we offer
may be your channel for new and
abundant life
not only hoped for,
but worked for,
through faithful word and deed.
Amen.

Confession & Absolution - Rev Wilson Akinwale

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in
mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,
**We confess that we have sinned
against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our
whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as
ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly
repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus
Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen**

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

The Peace - Rev Wilson Akinwale

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

Offertory Hymn - glory to God on high #365
(CP)

Doxology - 666 (CP)

Praise God from whom all blessings
flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye Heavenly Host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Prayer Over the Gifts - Rev Wilson
Akinwale

God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.

Amen

Eucharistic Prayer 2 - Rev Wilson
Akinwale

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their
hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and
sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,

that he might shatter the chains of evil
and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and
despair.

By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your
presence.

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth,
because you bid your faithful people
to cleanse their hearts
and to prepare with joy for the paschal
feast;
that reborn through the waters of
baptism
and renewed in the eucharistic mystery,
we may be more fervent in prayer
and more generous in the works of love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in
praise
to proclaim the glory of your name..

**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.**

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus
Christ;

who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed
for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory
of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and
resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us
worthy to stand in your presence and
serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught
us,
we are bold to say,

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

Hymn - Lamb of God

Lamb of God You Take Away The Sins Of
the World
Have Mercy on Us

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the World
Have Mercy on Us

Lamb of God You Take Away the Sins of the
World

Grant Us Peace
Grant Us Peace

Prayer after Communion **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

Creator of heaven and earth, we thank
you for these holy mysteries, which
bring us now a share in the life to come,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Benediction **Rev Wilson Akinwale .**

The Lord bless and keep you;

The Lord make his face to shine
upon you and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up the light
of his countenance upon you, and give
you peace.

And the blessing of the Father, the Son
and the Holy Spirit
Be with you, uphold and strengthen you,
grant you favour in
all that you do now and always. **Amen**

Doxology **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

Glory to God,
**whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to
generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Sunday School

Closing Hymn - God my hope in you is founded
#529 (CP)

Dismissal - **Rev Wilson Akinwale**

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contacted us for one concern or the other,
we are grateful for your gifts and presence.
Thank you for your generous donations and
giving. We pray that the risen Lord bless
and multiply you in all you do.

Go Forth into the world rejoicing in the
power of the Holy Spirit.
And be what you are, the church in the
World. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**