First Reading

Read by Claudette Wright

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

22 Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said,
'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every
way. 23 For as I went through the city and looked carefully
at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar
with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore
you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. 24 The God
who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of
heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human
hands, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he
needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life
and breath and all things. 26 From one ancestor he made all
nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times
of their existence and the boundaries of the places where
they would live, 27 so that they would search for God and
perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is
not far from each one of us. 28 For "In him we live and move
and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have
said, "For we too are his offspring."
29 Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that
the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by
the art and imagination of mortals. 30 While God has over-
looked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all
people everywhere to repent, 31 because he has fixed a day
on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by
a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given
assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn:

744 O God of Bethel

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

Who ever loves me will keep my word says the Lord, and my father will love them and we will come to Him.

Alleluia, **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to John

Glory to You O Lord

15 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I
will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be
with you for ever. 17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world
cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You
know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.
18 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. 19 In a little
while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me;
because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will know that
I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 They who have
my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and
those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love
them and reveal myself to them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

The Prayers

The prayers are led by Doreen Powell

Those for who prayers have been asked:

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For those on active service in places of danger

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Dick and Caroline Seed our CMS Missionaries

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The Migrant and Refugee Crisis

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Visitors to the Top Up Shop and Family First

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3. .Debbie Shaves, Jayne Versey, Gwen Wall, John Pickering.
2. Jats Gosal, Margriet Ward. Julie Lawrence
1. Linda Best, Eileen, Becki and Denis Cook, Tanya, Sue Doe, Mary Mitson-Woods, Louise.

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Those who have died recently

Beryl Richer
Roy Farrow
Douglas Cattermole
Edward Pettingale

We remember the anniversary of death of

Charlotte Richardson May 11 2023
Tony Page May 13 2024
Victor Doe May 14 2007

Offertory Hymn:

494 I, the Lord of sea and sky

Communion Hymns:

647 God moves in a mysterious way

805 There is a Redeemer

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Recessional Hymn:

763 Praise to the holiest in the height

Please remember to pray for the following friends of our Parish who are not able to worship with us at this time.

Vera Emeny, Rita Appleton, Malcolm Starsmoore,

Sheila Page, Jeanette Budinger,