

Morecambe Parish Church Eucharist Readings & Hymns
21st May 2017
The Sixth Sunday of Easter

OPENING HYMN

368 All my hope on God is founded (omit verse 4)

COLLECT

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your
disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

READING *Acts 17:22-31*

- 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 overlooked 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.’

GRADUAL HYMN

All Heaven declares
the glory of the risen Lord
who can compare
with the beauty of the Lord?
For ever He will be
the lamb upon the throne;
I will gladly bow the knee
and worship him alone.

I will proclaim
the glory of the risen Lord
who once was slain
to reconcile us to God.
For ever He will be
the lamb upon the throne;
I will gladly bow the knee
and worship him alone.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

When the Gospel is announced, the response is: **Glory to you, O Lord**

GOSPEL *John 14:15-21*

Jesus said to his disciples:

- 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.'

At the end of the Gospel, the response is: **Praise to you, O Christ**

OFFERTORY HYMN

542 O Love that wilt not let me go

As Junior Church come into church we sing:

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation.
In Him I trust, in Him I trust.

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In Him I trust, in Him I trust.

COMMUNION HYMN

If ye love me, keep my commandments – Philip Wilby(Choir)

POST COMMUNION HYMN

470 I, the Lord of sea and sky