The servants did as Jesus told them, and the man in charge drank some of the water that had now turned into wine. He did not know where the wine had come from, but the servants did. He called the bridegroom over and said, "The best wine is always served first. Then after the guests have had plenty, the other wine is served. But you have kept the best until last!" This was Jesus' first miracle, and he did it in the village of Cana in Galilee. There Jesus showed his glory, and his disciples put their faith in him.

For the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

This week:

Tues 9.30 Toddler Group 14.00 Bereavement Cafe Weds 11.00 Said Eucharist Thurs 9.30 Toddler Group 14.00 Tea & Chat (Church Hall) 14.00 Knitting & Crochet Group (note change of date) Fri 19.30 Choir Practice

A Vintage Afternoon Tea will be held on Sunday 16th February, 3.30 for 4pm at the church hall. Tickets £10 and are available from Beth and Debra.

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COLLECT: Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

We pray for those in particular need: Charlie, Derek, June Rose, Bob, Elsie, Janet, Jackie, Caroline, Neville, Lizzie, Alice, Anne, Jean, Mike, Neia, Muriel, Pat. We pray for those who have died recently: Nathaniel Addy. We pray for those whose Year's Mind occurs this week: Brenda Birch, Vernon Cousins, Ardash Torossian, Anthony Money, Elizabeth Sealy, Doris Forrester, Olive Bish.

# Today's hymns

NEH 408i Love Divine (words overleaf) Put peace into each other's hands (words overleaf) I the Lord of sea and sky Post-Communion: Eat this bread (words overleaf) God is love, his the care

**Organ Voluntary:** Voluntary for Double Organ -

Matthew Locke

### **POST COMMUNION:**

Eat this bread, drink this cup Come to him and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in him and you will not thirst.

#### **GRADUAL HYMN**

Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it, protect it like a candle flame, with tenderness enfold it.

Put peace into each other's hands, with loving expectation; be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation.

Put peace into each other's hands like bread we break for sharing; look people warmly in the eye: our life is meant for caring.

Give thanks for strong yet tender - hands, held out in trust and blessing. Where words fall short, let hands speak out, the heights of love expressing.

Reach out in friendship, stay with faith in touch with those around you. Put peace into each other's hands: the Peace that sought and found you. Words: Fred Kaan (1929- ) © 1989 Oxford University Press

#### OFFERTORY HYMN

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Words: Based on Iaiah 6

#### FINAL HYMN

God is love, his the care tending each, everywhere. God is love - all is there! Jesus came to show him, that we all might know him: Sing aloud, loud, loud, Sing aloud. loud, loud, God is good, God is truth, God is beauty: praise him!

None can see God above; we can share life and love; thus may we Godward move, finding him in creation, holding every nation. [Refrain]

Jesus lived on the earth, hope and life brought to birth and affirmed human worth, for he came to save us by the truth he gave us. [Refrain]

To our Lord praise we sing light and life, friend and King coming down love to bring, pattern for our duty, showing God in beauty: [Refrain]

A Reading from John's Gospel Three days later Mary, the mother of Jesus, was at a wedding feast in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited and were there. When the wine was all gone, Mary said to Jesus, "They don't have any more wine." Jesus replied, "Mother, my time hasn't yet come! You must not tell me what to do." Mary then said to the servants, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do." At the feast there were six stone water jars that were used by the people for washing themselves in the way that their religion said they must. Each jar held about 100 litres. Jesus told the servants to fill them to the top with water. Then after the jars had been filled, he said, "Now take some water and give it to the man in charge of the feast." >>>