



Welcome

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

28 July



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St. Paul's Covent Garden



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We stand as the Altar Party enters and sing the hymn

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
this our song shall ever be;
for we have no hope nor saviour
if we have not hope in thee.

2 All for Jesus! Thou wilt give us
strength to serve thee hour by hour:
none can move us from thy presence
while we trust thy love and power.

3 All for Jesus! At thine altar
thou dost give us sweet content;
there, dear Saviour, we receive thee
in thy holy sacrament.

4 All for Jesus! Thou has loved us,
all for Jesus! Thou has died,
All for Jesus! Thou art with us,
all for Jesus, glorified!

5 All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
This the Church's song shall be,
till at last the flock is gathered
one in love, and one in thee.

The Priest goes to the Lectern and says:
Priest In the name of the Father, and of
the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Priest The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

*The priest introduces the service and then leads
the congregation in prayer:*

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom 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 name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*The priest invites the congregation to seek God's
mercy and grace. We say together:*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through
weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus
Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in
newness of life
to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

*The Priest announces the **Absolution** to which
all reply: **Amen.***

*The **Gloria** is sung from the separate music
sheet.*

*The prayer of the day – the **Collect** – is sung.*

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your
grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of
the Spirit in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
for ever.

Amen.

*We sit for the **first** and **second readings.***

First Reading

2 Kings 4.42-44, read by Rob

⁴²A man came bringing food from the first
fruits to Elisha, the man of God: twenty
loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in
his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people
and let them eat.' ⁴³But his servant said,
'How can I set this before a hundred
people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the

people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and have some left." ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

At the end:

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3.14-21, read by Rob

¹⁴I bow my knees before the Father,
¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

At the end:

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

*We stand to sing the **hymn** and turn towards the Gospel book.*

**Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,
for thy flesh is meat indeed;
ever may our souls be fed
with this true and living bread;
day by day with strength supplied
through the life of him who died.**

**2 Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies
this blest cup of sacrifice;
Lord, thy wounds our healing give,
to thy cross we look and live:
Jesus may we ever be
grafted, rooted, built in thee.**

All remain standing as the Gospel is read

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Priest Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to John
(6.1-21)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, ⁹'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' ¹⁰Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they

filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' ¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

At the end:

Priest This is the Gospel of the
 Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

*We sit for the **Sermon**.*

*We stand to say the **Creed**.*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in One Lord Jesus Christ
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and
the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the
prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the
dead, and the life of the world to
come. Amen.**

*The **Prayers of Intercession** follow.*

At the end:

Priest Merciful Father,
**All accept these prayers for
 the sake of your Son, our
 Saviour, Jesus Christ,
 Amen.**

*The Priest introduces the **Peace**:*

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with
 you always

All And also with you

Priest Let us offer one another a
 sign of peace.

*We sing a **hymn** as the Altar is prepared for
the **Eucharistic Prayer**. A **collection** is taken
during the **hymn***

Happy are they, they that love God,
whose hearts have Christ confessed,
who by his cross have found their life,
and 'neath his yoke their rest.

2 Glad is the praise, sweet are the
songs,
when they together sing;
and strong the prayers that bow the
ear
of heaven's eternal King.

3 Christ to their homes giveth his
peace,
and makes their loves his own:
but ah, what tares the evil one
hath in his garden sown!

4 Sad were our lot, evil this earth,
did not its sorrows prove
the path whereby the sheep may find
the fold of Jesus' love.

5 Then shall they know, they that
love him,
how all their pain is good;
and death itself cannot unbind
their happy brotherhood.

Priest	Blessed are you Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
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All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest	Blessed are you Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer. Fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.
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All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest	Pray my friends that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.
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All	May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hand, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.
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*The Priest adds the prayer over the gifts to which
we reply* **Amen**

Priest	The Lord be with you.
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All **And also with you.**

Priest	Lift up your hearts.
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All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
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All **It is right to give thanks
and praise...**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues until we sing
Sanctus and **Benedictus** from the music
sheet.*

*The **Eucharistic Prayer** continues until...*

Priest:	Great is the mystery of faith
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All: **Christ has died**

Christ is risen

Christ will come again

The Eucharistic Prayer continues until

Priest	...for ever and ever
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All: **Amen**

The Priest introduces the 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 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

Priest We break this bread to share
 in the body of Christ
**All Though we are many we
 are one body, because we
 all share in one bread**

*The **Agnus Dei** is sung from the music sheet*

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God who
 takes away the sin of the
 world, blessed are those who
 are called to his supper.
**All Lord, I am not worthy to
 receive you,
 but only say the word,
 and I shall be healed.**

*The congregation approaches the Altar to receive
Communion. All those who are in good
standing with their own Church are invited to
receive Communion. Those who prefer to ask for
a Blessing are invited to bow their heads at the
Altar rail or bring this booklet as a sign to the
Priest.*

**Please make your way to the
Altar rail, and kneel (if able)**

**Please receive Communion in
your hand ONLY. If you wish to
receive the Chalice, please
remain in place. If not, return to
your pew**

**Please keep absolute silence
during Communion**

Post Communion Prayers:

Holy Father, who gathered us here around
the table of your Son to share this meal
with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the
fullness of your peace, gather people of
every race and language to share in the
eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We say together:

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls
and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

Any Banns of marriage and notices are given.

Priest The Lord be with you.
All And also with you

*The **Blessing** is given to which all reply: **Amen**
We sing the **hymn** and turn to face the West
End for the **dismissal**.*

**Come down, O love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour
glowing;
O comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame
bestowing.**

**2 O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat
consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my
path illuming.**

**3 Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner
clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps
with loathing.**

**4 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human
telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his
dwelling.**

Priest. Go in peace to love and serve
 the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

‘What’s On’ this week

Wednesday 31 July

12.00 Community Lunch – *all welcome (Please note that the Community Lunch will not operate during August)*

1.10pm Holy Eucharist

7pm PCC Meeting

Thursday 1 August

7.30pm Andrea Opera Concert **

Friday 2 August

1pm Lunchtime Concert

7.30pm Much ado about nothing **

Sunday 4 August

11.00 Sung Eucharist, *for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity*

Please join us for some drinks after the Eucharist, to celebrate Simon’s birthday

2pm Blessing

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