



Welcome

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

20 October



actorschurch



St. Paul's Covent Garden

Please switch off all mobile phones.

BEWARE: *We do occasionally suffer from theft: take care of your belongings*

Accessibility

Large Print versions of the Order of Service are available.

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We stand as the Altar Party enters and sing the hymn

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored,
forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.**

**2 Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.**

**3 Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows.**

**4 Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before
him;
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.**

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**.*

*We sing the **Gloria**, which you will find on the
separate music sheet.*

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

**Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord,
to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that they may be cleansed from all their
sins and serve you with a quiet mind;
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

Isaiah 53.4-9, read by Charles

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;

yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was wounded for our
transgressions, crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made
us whole, and by his bruises we are
healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is
silent, so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken
away.

Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the
living, stricken for the transgression of my
people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

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

Second Reading

Hebrews 5.1-10, read by Andrea

¹Every high priest chosen from among
mortals is put in charge of things
pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer
gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to
deal gently with the ignorant and
wayward, since he himself is subject to
weakness; ³and because of this he must
offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as
for those of the people. ⁴And one does

not presume to take this honour, but
takes it only when called by God, just as
Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in
becoming a high priest, but was appointed
by the one who said to him,

‘You are my Son,
today I have begotten you’;

⁶as he says also in another place,

‘You are a priest for ever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.’

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up
prayers and supplications, with loud cries
and tears, to the one who was able to
save him from death, and he was heard
because of his reverent submission.

⁸Although he was a Son, he learned
obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and
having been made perfect, he became the
source of eternal salvation for all who
obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by
God a high priest according to the order
of Melchizedek.

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*

**We sing the praise of him who died,
of him who died upon the cross;
the sinner’s hope let men deride,
for this we count the world but loss.**

**2 Inscribed upon the cross we see
in shining letters, ‘God is love’;
and with God’s love, he from the
tree,
doth bring us mercy from above.**

**3 The cross! It takes our guilt away;
it holds the fainting spirit up;
it cheers with hope the gloomy day,
and sweetens every bitter cup.**

**4 It makes the coward spirit brave,
and nerves the feeble arm for fight;
it takes its terror from the grave,
and gilds the bed of death with light;**

**5 the balm of life, the cure of woe,
the measure and the pledge of love,
the sinner's refuge here below,
the angels' theme in heaven above.**

All remain standing (if able) 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
Mark 10.35-45

All Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' ³⁶And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' ³⁷And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' ³⁸But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' ³⁹They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' ⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and

whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

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**. You may prefer to donate by
card, at the back of church*

**I Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,
your sweetest notes employ,
the Paschal victory to hymn
in strains of holy joy.**

**2 How Judah's lion burst his chains,
and crushed the serpent's head;
and brought with him, from death's
domains,
the long-imprisoned dead.**

**3 Triumphant in his glory now
his sceptre ruleth all,
earth, heaven, and hell before him
bow,
and at his footstool fall.**

**4 While joyful thus his praise we sing,
his mercy we implore,
into his palace bright to bring
and keep us evermore.**

**5 All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run. Alleluya!
Amen.**

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.

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
All Blessed be God for ever
Priest Pray my sisters and brothers
 that our sacrifice may be
 acceptable to God the
 Almighty Father

**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.**

*The Priest adds the prayer over the gifts to which
we reply **Amen***

Priest The Lord be with you
All And also with you.
Priest Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord
 our God.
All It is right to give thanks
 and praise...

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

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

Priest: Great is the mystery of faith
All: Christ has died
 Christ is risen
 Christ will come again

The Eucharistic Prayer continues until

Priest ...for ever and ever
All: Amen

The Priest invites us 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

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

*We sing the **Agnus Dei** 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 steps 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:

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in 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***

**I O worship the King all glorious
above;**

**O gratefully sing his power and his
love;**

**our shield and defender, the ancient
of days,**

**pavilioned in splendour and girded
with praise.**

**2 O tell of his might, O sing of his
grace,
whose robe is the light, whose
canopy space;
his chariots of wrath the deep
thunder clouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of
the storm.**

**3 The earth with its store of wonders
untold,
almighty, thy power hath founded of
old;**

**hath 'stablished it fast by a
changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle,
the sea.**

**4 Frail children of dust and feeble as
frail,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to
fail;
thy mercies how tender, how firm to
the end!**

**Our maker, defender, Redeemer,
and friend.**

**5 O measureless might, ineffable
love,
while angels delight to hymn thee
above,
thy ransomed creation, though
feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall sing to thy
praise.**

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

‘WHAT’S ON’ THIS WEEK

Today

2pm Memorial Service for the late Jamie Baughan RIP

Tuesday 22 October

10.30am Sing Space Choir

Wednesday 23 October

1.10 Holy Eucharist

1.45pm Tea and Cake – *all welcome*

Thursday 24 October

11am Baby Gospel **

Friday 25 October

1pm Lunchtime Concert

6.30pm & 8.30pm Musicals by Candlelight **

Saturday 26 October

7.30pm London Dockland Singers Concert **

Please note that the clocks go BACK one hour tonight.

Sunday 27 October

11.00 Parish Sung Eucharist, for the Last Sunday after Trinity

3pm Memorial Service for the late Keith Burns RIP

** Tickets for all paid events are available from www.actorschurch.org