



Welcome

The Third Sunday after Trinity

21 June



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St. Paul's Covent Garden

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We stand as the Altar Party enters and sing the hymn

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung.
Alleluya!

2. Death's mightiest powers have
done their worst,
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.
Alleluya!

3. On the third morn he rose again
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain.
Alleluya!

4. He brake the age-bound chains of
hell;
The bars from heaven's high portals
fell;
Let hymns of praise his triumph tell.
Alleluya!

5. Lord, by the stripes which
wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy
servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee.
Alleluya!

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, you have broken the
tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of
your Son into our hearts whereby we call
you Father: give us grace to dedicate our
freedom to your service, that we and all
creation may be brought to the glorious
liberty of the children of God; 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

Jeremiah 20:7-13, read by Mark

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.'

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

At the end:

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

Second Reading

Romans 6:1b-11, read by Max

¹Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were

baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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.*

**Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind, but now I see.**

**2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!**

**3. Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.**

**4. The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.**

**5. Yes, when this heart and flesh shall fail
And mortal life shall cease
I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace.**

**6. When we've been there a thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.**

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
Matthew (10.24-39)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: ²⁴A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who

can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

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
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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

To God be the glory! great things he
 hath done!
 So loved he the world that he gave
 us his Son,
 Who yielded his life, an atonement
 for sin,
 And opened the life-gate that all may
 go in.

Refrain

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
 Let the earth hear his voice!
 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
 Let the people rejoice!
 O come to the Father through Jesus the
 Son;
 And give him the glory, great things he
 hath done!

2. O perfect redemption, the
 purchase of blood!
 To every believer the promise of
 God;
 The vilest offender who truly
 believes,
 That moment from Jesus a pardon
 receives.

Refrain

3. Great things he hath taught us,
 great things he hath done,
 And great our rejoicing through
 Jesus the Son:
 But purer and higher and greater will
 be
 Our wonder, our worship, when
 Jesus we see!

Refrain

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 **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

**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***

The Priest will invite you to the Altar, using these or other suitable words

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, blessed are those who are called to his supper.

To which we all reply

**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.

*After Communion we remain seated to sing the **hymn***

**Bread of the world in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were
spoken,
And in whose death our sins are
dead;**

**2. Look on the heart by sorrow
broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed.**

Post Communion Prayers:

O God, whose beauty is beyond our
imagining and whose power we cannot
comprehend: show us your glory as far as
we can grasp it and shield us from
knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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.
and then the Priest says:*

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**.*

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
the Lord!**

**Unnumbered blessings give my spirit
voice;**

**Tender to me the promise of His
Word;**

**In God my Saviour shall my heart
rejoice.**

**2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
His name!**

**Make known His might, the deeds
His arm has done;**

**His mercy sure, from age to age the
same;**

**His holy Name, the Lord, the mighty
One.**

**3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
His might!**

**Powers and dominions lay their glory
by;**

**Proud hearts and stubborn wills are
put to flight;**

**The hungry fed, the humble lifted
high.**

**4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of His
Word!**

**Firm is His promise, and His mercy
sure.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
the Lord!**

**To children's children and for
evermore!**

Priest Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

‘What’s On’ this week

Monday 22 June

10am Community Art Club

Tuesday 23 June

7.45pm Critical Hits**

Wednesday 24 June - Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist

1.10pm Holy Eucharist

1.45pm Tea and Cake – *all welcome*

Thursday 25 June

1pm In Canto Veritas – *free lunchtime concert*

7.45pm Critical Hits**

Friday 26 June

8pm The Rhythm of Life**

Sunday 28 June

11am Parish Sung Eucharist, *for the Fourth Sunday after Trinity*

6pm A Night Of Musicals In Concert**

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