



Welcome

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

28 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

**Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem,
Cleave the skies with shouts of praise;**

**Sing to him who found the ransom,
Ancient of eternal days,
God of God, the Word incarnate,
Whom the heaven of heaven obeys.**

**2. There, for us and our redemption,
See him all his life-blood pour!
There he wins our full salvation,
Dies that we may die no more;
Then, arising, lives for ever,
Reigning where he was before.**

**3. High on yon celestial mountains
Stands his sapphire throne, all bright,
Midst unending alleluias
Bursting from the sons of light;
Sion's people tell his praises,
Victor after hard-won fight.**

**4. Bring your harps, and bring your incense,
Sweep the string and pour the lay;
Let the earth proclaim his wonders,
King of that celestial day;
He the lamb once slain is worthy,
Who was dead, and lives for ay.**

**5. Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever three and ever one,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run.**

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.*

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, 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 28:5-9, read by Richard

⁵The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; ⁶and the prophet Jeremiah said, 'Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfil the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.'

At the end:

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

Second Reading

Romans 6:12-23, read by Alex

¹²Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of

obedience, which leads to righteousness?

¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted,

¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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*

**Ye servants of God, your Master
proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful
name;
The name all-victorious of Jesus
extol:
His kingdom is glorious, and rules
over all.**

**2. God ruleth on high, almighty to
save;
And still he is nigh: his presence we
have.
The great congregation his triumph
shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.**

3. Salvation to God who sits on the throne!

Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.

**The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces, and worship the lamb.**

4. Then let us adore, and give him his right:

**All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
And honour and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.**

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.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 10:40-42

⁴⁰Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple - truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

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**

**Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**2. Take my hands, and let them
move**

At the impulse of thy love.

**Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.**

**3. Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.**

**4. Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.**

**5. Take my will, and make it thine:
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart: it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne.**

**6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.**

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 friends 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*

**O thou who camest from above,
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart.**

**2. There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return
In humble prayer, and fervent praise.**

**3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for
thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me.**

**4. Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thy endless mercies seal,
And make my sacrifice complete.**

Post Communion Prayers:

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and
healer of the broken, you have fed us at
the table of life and hope: teach us the
ways of gentleness and peace, that all the
world may acknowledge the kingdom of
your Son, 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.
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***

**Thou, whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight;
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the gospel-day
Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light!**

**2. Thou, who didst come to bring
On thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
Let there be light!**

**3. Spirit of truth and love,
Life-giving, holy dove,
Speed forth thy flight;
Move on the water's face,
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light!**

**4. Holy and blessed three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might;
Boundless as ocean's tide
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the earth far and wide
Let there be light!**

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

All Thanks be to God.

‘What’s On’ this week

Today

6pm A Night At The Musicals**

Monday 29 June

Please note the grounds will be closed all day for a private event.

Tuesday 30 June

6pm Tuesday’s@ActorsChurch

Wednesday 1 July

1.10pm Holy Eucharist

1.45pm Tea and Cake – *all welcome*

Thursday 2 July

Please note the grounds will be closed all day for a private event.

Friday 3 July

1pm City Lit Summer Concert – *free lunchtime concert*

Saturday 4 July

11am Big Gay Brunch

6pm A Night at the Opera by Candlelight**

8pm Rhapsody in Blue by Candlelight**

Sunday 5 July

11am Parish Sung Eucharist *for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity*

6.30pm Close Encounters Summer Concert**

***Tickets for all paid events at St. Paul’s can be obtained via our website*

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