

# **Holy Communion** 9.30am - Sun 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Come, thou fount of every blessing, 406 tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious measure sung by flaming tongues above;

O the vast, the boundless treasure of my Lord's unchanging love!

Here I find my greatest treasure: hither by thy help I've come, and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; take my heart, O take and seal it, seal it from thy courts above!

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# **Gathering and Greeting**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you

Welcome - Rev Philip Sudell

# **Prayers of Penitence**

As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God's love, revealed in Word and Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins.

#### **Confession**

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.

#### **Assurance of forgiveness**

Glory to God, Glory to God

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen

We sing the

#### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, Glory to God in the highest. and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks. we praise you for your glory. Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest, Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God. Lamb of God. you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God, Glory to God

## **The Collect**

Glory to God in the highest.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

All: Amen.

# Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 58:9-14

<sup>9</sup> Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: here am I.

If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, <sup>10</sup> and if you spend yourselves on behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. <sup>11</sup> The Lord will guide you always; he will

satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame.

You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

<sup>12</sup> Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.

<sup>13</sup> 'If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day, if you call the Sabbath a delight and the Lord's holy day honourable, and if you honour it by not going your own way and not doing as you please or speaking idle words,

<sup>14</sup> then you will find your joy in the Lord, and I will cause you to ride in triumph on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.'
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### **Psalm 103**

The Lord has compassion on his children.

- <sup>1</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name.
- <sup>2</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

The Lord has compassion on his children.

- <sup>3</sup> Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;
- <sup>4</sup> Who redeems your life from the Pit and crowns you with faithful love and compassion;
- <sup>5</sup> Who satisfies you with good things, so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

#### The Lord has compassion on his children.

- <sup>6</sup> The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are oppressed.
- <sup>7</sup> He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel.
- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
- slow to anger and of great kindness.
- <sup>9</sup> He will not always accuse us, neither will he keep his anger forever

The Lord has compassion on his children.

# **New Testament Reading**

Hebrews 12:4-17

<sup>4</sup> In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. <sup>5</sup> And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says, 'My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, <sup>6</sup> because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.'

<sup>7</sup> Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? 8 If you are not disciplined - and everyone undergoes discipline - then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. 9 Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live! <sup>10</sup> They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness. <sup>11</sup> No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. <sup>13</sup> 'Make level paths for your feet,' so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.

<sup>14</sup> Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. <sup>15</sup> See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. <sup>16</sup> See that no one is sexually immoral, or is godless like Esau, who for a single meal sold his inheritance rights as the oldest son. <sup>17</sup> Afterwards, as you know, when he wanted to inherit this blessing, he was rejected. Even though he sought the blessing with tears, he could not change what he had done.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

#### Luke 13:10-17

<sup>10</sup> On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, <sup>11</sup> and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, 'Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.' <sup>13</sup> Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

<sup>14</sup> Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, 'There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.'

<sup>15</sup> The Lord answered him, 'You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? <sup>16</sup> Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?'

<sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon** – Adam Boyce London City Mission Faith and discipline

# **Profession of Faith**

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 from 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.

# **Prayers of Intercession**

This response may be used: Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

And at the end: Merciful Father, Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament The Peace

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

The bread and wine are brought to the Lord's table

The King of love my Shepherd is
Whose goodness faileth never
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul He leadeth And where the verdant pastures grow With food celestial feedeth

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed But yet in love He sought me And on His shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee dear Lord beside me Thy rod and staff my comfort still Thy cross before to guide me

Thou spread'st a table in my sight Thy unction grace bestoweth And O what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever

Henry Williams Baker, John Bacchus Dykes

#### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered

people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made appearant.

his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

All: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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.

### The Breaking of Bread

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.

#### **Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

# The Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Church family news**

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound 375 that saved a wretch like me; I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

God's grace first taught my heart to fear, his grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed!

Through every danger, trial and snare I have already come; His grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; my shield and stronghold he shall be as long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease:
I shall possess, within the veil, a life of iov and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,

Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

John Newton (1725-1807)

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and watch over you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen

#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen

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# **Readings for next Sunday**

31<sup>st</sup> August – Trinity 11 Proverbs 25.6–7 Psalm 112 Hebrews 13.1–25 Luke 14.1, 7–14

#### The week ahead

Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion
24 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Morning Service
	1pm	LCM Training and Visiting
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday	
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 for 8-9pm	Summer Midweek at the Lentons – Prayer Focus
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>		
Thurs	10am-11am	Women's Bible Study
28 <sup>th</sup>	11am-12noonn	Drop-In for Coffee
	12 noon	Holy Communion
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>		
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup>		
Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion
31 <sup>st</sup>	11am	Morning Service

# Looking ahead

Sun 24<sup>th</sup> August and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September – The London City Mission team will join us and there will be an opportunity to be trained over lunch and do some street visiting afterwards

Thinking about Regular Giving..



Recently we asked everyone to prayerfully consider increasing their regular giving or begin a pattern of giving regularly if not doing so already. More details available in the "Giving Guide" on the table in church or on the church website.

#### **Sermon Series for the Summer**



We are looking at the Life of Faith from **Hebrews 11-13** 

# Summer Midweeks in August Tuesday Bible Study- We will be

running a weekly Bible study on 5<sup>th</sup>(Prayer Focus for First Tuesday), 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> August (All Tuesday evenings). This will be at the Lentons, 31A Kings Ave, N10 1PA. Come from 7:30pm for cake and tea/coffee, then Bible study will be from 8-9pm.

Even if you aren't currently in a midweek group, please come along and check it out!



# Thursday Drop In's -

On 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> August (All Thursday mornings) we will be hosting a women's bible study from 10-11am then a coffee time drop in from 11-12noon at the church. Followed by our midweek service of Holy Communion at 12noon.



# **Summer Sundays**

On Sundays in August, we will be running Summer Sundays for Creche and Grace Gang. They will all be in together in the hall, with a mix of leaders. Youth will not be running during these dates.