

Holy Communion 9.30am - Sunday 15th June 2025 Trinity Sunday

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! 202 early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy!
though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man
thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy,
there is none beside thee
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Reginald Heber



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 - Revd Philip Sudell

Prayers of Penitence

We have too often exchanged the worship of the living God for idols of our own imagining. As we gather to offer our praises to the holy and undivided Trinity, and to worship him in spirit and in truth, let us call to mind our sins.

Confession

Father, you come to meet us when we return to you:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, you died on the cross for our sins: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Spirit, you give us life and peace:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of forgiveness

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, Glory to God 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,

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

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 Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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

Nehemiah 1:1-11

The words of Nehemiah son of Hakaliah: In the month of Kislev in the twentieth year, while I was in the citadel of Susa, ² Hanani, one of my brothers, came from Judah with some other men, and I questioned them about the Jewish remnant that had survived the exile, and also about Jerusalem.

³ They said to me, 'Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire.'

⁴ When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven. ⁵ Then I said:

'Lord, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, ⁶ let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel. I confess the sins we Israelites, including myself and my father's family, have committed against you. ⁷ We have acted very wickedly towards you. We have not obeyed the commands, decrees and laws you gave your servant Moses.

⁸ 'Remember the instruction you gave your servant Moses, saying, "If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations, ⁹ but if you return to me and obey my commands, then even if your exiled people are at the farthest horizon, I will gather them from there and bring them to the place I have chosen as a dwelling for my Name."

¹⁰ 'They are your servants and your people, whom you redeemed by your great strength and your mighty hand. ¹¹ Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favour in the presence of this man.'

I was cupbearer to the king.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 8

Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

- ¹O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!
- ² Your majesty above the heavens is praised out of the mouths of babes at the breast.
- ³ You have founded a stronghold against your foes, that you might still the enemy and the avenger.

Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

- ⁴ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have ordained,
- ⁵ What is man, that you should be mindful of him; the son of man, that you should seek him out?

Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

- ⁶ You have made him little lower than the angels and crown him with glory and honour.
- ⁷ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands and put all things under his feet,

Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

- ⁸ All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,
- ⁹ The birds of the air, the fish of the sea and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.
- ¹⁰ O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!

Above the heavens your majesty is praised.

³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

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 John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 16:12-15

¹² 'I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³ But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. ¹⁵ All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

New Testament Reading

Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.

Sermon - Revd Philip Sudell

Prayers under pressure

2. When everything has gone wrong

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

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver. The peace of the triune God be always with you.

All: And also with you.

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

Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of being, life and love;
Height and depth beyond description,
only life in you can prove:
You are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
Yours is every hour's existence,
sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the man for others we, your people, make our prayer help us love, as sisters, brothers all whose burdens we can share where your name binds us together you, Lord Christ, will surely be where no selfishness can sever there you love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, bringing wind and flame of Pentecost fire our hearts afresh with yearning to regain what we have lost may your love unite our action nevermore to speak alone God, in us, abolish faction God, through us, your love make known.

Stewart Cros

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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit you are one God, one Lord. All that you reveal of your glory, the same we believe of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality. We, your holy Church, acclaim you, Father of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide. Three Persons we adore, one in being and equal in majesty. And so with angels and archangels, with cherubim and seraphim, we sing for ever of your glory.

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 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

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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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.

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.

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy Dove, speed forth thy flight; move o'er the water's face, bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.

Blessed and holy Three, glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide let there be light.

John Marriott (1780-1825) Thomas Raffles (1788-1863)

Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and 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

22nd June – First Sunday after Trinity 1 Samuel 1:1-20 Psalm 22:19-28 Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8.26-39

The week ahead

The Week allead		
Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion
15 th	11am	Morning Service
Mon		
16 th		
Tues	9:45-11am	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers
17 th		and their parents/minders
		@ St Peter's Hall
	8pm	Midweek Groups meet
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18 th		
Thurs	10-11.30am	Women's Bible Study
19 th		@ St Peter's Hall
	12 noon	Holy Communion
	12-3pm	Community Café
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	3.45-5pm	FAB Club @ St Peter's Hall
	8pm	Midweek Groups meet
Fri		No Friday Prayer
20 th		This week
Sat		
21 st		
Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion
22 nd	11am	Morning Service

Looking ahead

Fri 27th - Sun 29th June - REVIVE Sat 5th July - Women's outreach evening

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Publicity now available – email the church office to reserve your place



Sermon Series for the Summer



We are currently doing a series of 3 on **Praying under Pressure** (three examples of great bible

pray-ers under pressure).
Then we are going to start
working our way through
Paul's letter to the Romans.



Pausing in August looking at the Life of Faith from **Hebrews 11-13**

Prayers under pressure

Jun 8 – When I don't know what to do! 2 Chronicles 20:1-17

Jun 15 - When everything has gone wrong! Nehemiah 1:1-11

Jun 22 - When we are desperate! 1 Samuel 1:1-20

