

Holy Communion 9.30am – Sunday 13th July 2025 Fourth Sunday after Trinity

The Lord is King! lift up thy voice, 592 O earth, and all ye heavens, rejoice; from world to world the joy shall ring, 'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

The Lord is King! who then shall dare resist his will, distrust his care, or murmur at his wise decrees, or doubt his royal promises?

He reigns! ye saints, exalt your strains; your God is King, your Father reigns; and he is at the Father's side, the Man of love, the Crucified.

One Lord one empire all secures; he reigns, and life and death are yours; through earth and heaven one song shall ring,

'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

Josiah Conder

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

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

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.

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, 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

Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

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. All: **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

⁹ Then the Lord your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The Lord will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your ancestors, ¹⁰ if you obey the Lord your God and keep his commands and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law and turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹ Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach.¹² It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, 'Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so that we may obey it?' ¹³ Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, 'Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so that we may obey it?' ¹⁴ No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so that you may obey it.

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

Psalm 25:1-9

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust; • let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies triumph over me. ² Let none who look to you be put to shame, • but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul

³ Make me to know your ways, O Lord, • and teach me your paths.

⁴ Lead me in your truth and teach me, • for you are the God of my salvation; for you have I hoped all the day long.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul

⁵ Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, • for they are from everlasting.
⁶ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions, • but think on me in your goodness, O Lord, according to your steadfast love.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul

⁷ Gracious and upright is the Lord; •
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
⁸ He will guide the humble in doing right •
and teach his way to the lowly.

⁹ All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth • to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul

New Testament Reading Romans 1:18-32

¹⁸ The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, ¹⁹ since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities - his eternal power and divine nature - have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse. ²¹ For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.²² Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools ²³ and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images

made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.

²⁴ Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. ²⁵ They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshipped and served created things rather than the Creator - who is for ever praised. Amen. ²⁶ Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones.²⁷ In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error.

²⁸ Furthermore, just as they did not think it worth while to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done.²⁹ They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, ³⁰ slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; ³¹ they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy. ³² Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practise them.

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.

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?'
²⁶ 'What is written in the Law?' he replied. 'How do you read it?'
²⁷ He answered, '"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, "Love your neighbour as yourself."'

²⁸ 'You have answered correctly,' Jesus replied. 'Do this and you will live.' ²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' ³⁰ In reply Jesus said: 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half-dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have." ³⁶ 'Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?'

³⁷ The expert in the law replied, 'The one who had mercy on him.'

Jesus told him, 'Go and do likewise.'

All:

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Sermon – Revd Philip Sudell Romans - "not ashamed.." 3. Our desperate need of the gospel

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

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!

Robert Robinson

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 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

Name of all majesty, 525 fathomless mystery, King of the ages by angels adored; power and authority, splendour and dignity, bow to his mastery, Jesus is Lord! Child of our destiny, God from eternity, love of the Father on sinners outpoured; see now what God has done sending his only Son, Christ the beloved One, Jesus is Lord!

Saviour of Calvary, costliest victory, darkness defeated and Eden restored; born as a man to die, nailed to a cross on high, cold in the grave to lie, Jesus is Lord!

Source of all sovereignty, light, immortality, life everlasting and heaven assured; so with the ransomed, we praise him eternally,

Christ in his majesty, Jesus is Lord!

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

20th July – Trinity 5 Genesis 18.1–10 Psalm 15 Romans 2:1-16 Luke 10.38-42

The week ahead

Sun 13 th	9.30am 11am After church	Holy Communion Morning Service with HC Church Family Picnic in the Park
Mon 14 th		
Tues 15 th	9:45-11am	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall
	8pm	Midweek Groups meet
Wed 16 th		
Thurs 17 th	10-11.30am	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall
	12 noon 12-3pm	Holy Communion Community Café @ St Peter's Hall
	8pm	Midweek Groups meet
Fri 18 th	7:15-8am	Friday Prayer @ 163 CHL
Sat 19 th		
Sun 20 th	9.30am 11am	Holy Communion Morning Service

Looking ahead

TODAY - Sun 13th July – Church Family Picnic in the Park after Church



Sermon Series for the Summer



We are starting a series working our way through **Paul's letter to the Romans.** Pausing in August looking at

the Life of Faith from Hebrews 11-13



Sun 13th Jul - Romans 1:18-32 Our desperate need of the gospel Sun 20th - Romans 2:1-16 No excuses! Sun 27th Jul - Romans 2:17-29 Religion is no solution! Sun 3rd Aug - Romans 3:1-20 All in the same boat

Thinking about Regular Giving..

About 3/4 times a year we try and draw attention to our finances as a church and the opportunity to give regularly as part of our Christian Discipleship.



This Sunday we will be asking 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.

Safeguarding Training

On Sundays – 20/27 July from 1220-1320 in the church office we will be providing an opportunity to complete training for those who need to do it. See Sue Upcott for more details