

Holy Communion

9.30am – Sun 21st Sept 2025

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Through all the changing scenes of life, ⁶⁰⁴
in trouble and in joy,
the praises of my God shall still
my heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
with me exalt his name;
when in distress to him I called,
he to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around
the dwellings of the just;
deliverance he affords to all
who on his succour trust.

Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear;
make you his service your delight,
your wants shall be his care.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom we adore,
be glory, as it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

nahum Tate, Nicholas Brady

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.

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,
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

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened
for us a new and living way into your
presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast
wills to worship you in spirit and in truth;
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

Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you who trample the needy
and do away with the poor of the land,
⁵saying, 'When will the New Moon be over
that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath be
ended that we may market wheat?' –
skimping on the measure, boosting the
price and cheating with dishonest scales,
⁶buying the poor with silver and the needy
for a pair of sandals, selling even the
sweepings with the wheat. ⁷The Lord has
sworn by himself, the Pride of Jacob: 'I will
never forget anything they have done.'

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 113

Praise, O praise the name of the Lord

¹ Alleluia. Give praise, you servants of the
Lord, • O praise the name of the Lord.

²Blessed be the name of the Lord, • from
this time forth and for evermore.

Praise, O praise the name of the Lord

³From the rising of the sun to its setting •
let the name of the Lord be praised. ⁴The
Lord is high above all nations • and his
glory above the heavens.

Praise, O praise the name of the Lord

⁵Who is like the Lord our God, that has his
throne so high, • yet humbles himself to
behold the things of heaven and earth? ⁶He
raises the poor from the dust • and lifts the
needy from the ashes,

Praise, O praise the name of the Lord

⁷To set them with princes, • with the
princes of his people. ⁸He gives the barren
woman a place in the house • and makes
her a joyful mother of children. Alleluia.

Praise, O praise the name of the Lord

New Testament Reading

Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified
through faith, we have peace with God
through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through
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. ³Not only so, but we also glory in our
sufferings, because we know that suffering
produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance,
character; and character, hope. ⁵And 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. ⁶You see, at just the right time,
when we were still powerless, Christ died
for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone
die for a righteous person, though for a
good person someone might possibly dare
to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love
for us in this: while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us. ⁹Since we have now
been justified by his blood, how much more
shall we be saved from God's wrath
through him! ¹⁰For if, while we were God's
enemies, we were reconciled to him
through the death of his Son, how much
more, having been reconciled, shall we be
saved through his life! ¹¹Not only is this so,

but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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 16:1-13

Jesus told his disciples: 'There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ²So he called him in and asked him, "What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer." ³ 'The manager said to himself, "What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg – ⁴I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses."

⁵ 'So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" ⁶ "Three thousand litres of olive oil," he replied. 'The manager told him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifteen hundred." ⁷ 'Then he asked the second, "And how much do you owe?" "Thirty tons of wheat," he replied. 'He told him, "Take your bill and make it twenty-four." ⁸ 'The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. ⁹ I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ 'Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will

also be dishonest with much. ¹¹So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹²And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own? ¹³ 'No-one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – Revd Philip Sudell

Romans: "...not ashamed!"

God's great assurance

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

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.

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 joy 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)

Readings for next Sunday

28th September – Trinity 15

Amos 6:1–7

Psalms 146

Romans 5:12-21

Luke 16:19-31

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**

The week ahead

Sun 21 st	9.30am 11am After services	Holy Communion Morning Service LCM Lunch & Visiting
Mon 22 nd		
Tues 23 rd	9:45-11am 8pm	Chat & Play for pre-schoolers and their parents/minders @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups meet
Wed 24 th		
Thurs 25 th	10-11.30am 12 noon 12-3pm 3.45-5pm 8pm	Women's Bible Study @ St Peter's Hall Holy Communion Community Café @ St Peter's Hall FAB Club @ St Peter's Hall Midweek Groups meet
Fri 26 th	7:15-8am	Friday Prayer @ 163 CHL
Sat 27 th		
Sun 28 th	9.30am 11am After services 6-7pm	Holy Communion Morning Service Newcomers Lunch Joint Churches Prayer @ St Peters

Looking ahead

Harvest Lunch



Sunday 5th October – Harvest Festival and Church Family Lunch after the 11am service to give thanks for God's generosity, provision and kindness to us in so many ways.
Please feel free to bring food to share.

Midweek Groups

Midweek groups are starting up again this week. Thanks to everyone that filled out a form! If you haven't filled out a form it's not too late to join a group.

"Grow North" – Women's Day Sat 4th October at St Peter's



Saturday 4th October here at St Peter's – Look out for the fliers in church

Autumn dates – more details to follow

Sun 21st Sept – LCM Visiting after church
Sun 28th Sept – Newcomers Welcome Lunch
Sat 4th Oct – GROW NORTH
Sun 5th Oct – Harvest Festival and Lunch
Tues 7th Oct – 1st Tuesday Prayer
Fri 10th Oct – World Day of Prayer Lunch
Sat 11th Oct – Women's Brunch
Sat 11th Oct – PCC Day Away
Sun 12th Oct – Discipleship Training Lunch
Wed 15th Oct – Discipleship Trg repeat
Tues 4th Nov – 1st Tuesday Prayer
Fri 7th/14th Nov – Outreach Event tbc
Sat 8th Nov – Women's Brunch
Sun 9th Nov – Discipleship Training Lunch
Wed 12th Nov – Discipleship Trg repeat
Sun 16th Nov – Newcomers Welcome Lunch
Mon 17th Nov – PCC Meeting
Sat 22nd Nov – Christmas Fair and Fun Day
Fri 28th Nov – Women's Outreach Event
Tues 2nd Dec – 1st Tuesday Prayer
Sat 13th Dec – Women's Brunch
Sun 14th Dec – Christingle
Sun 21st Dec – Carol Services