

*A very warm welcome to our Service.*

**St Augustine of Canterbury, Whitton  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**31<sup>st</sup> August 2025**

**Processional Hymn**

All my hope on God is founded;  
He doth still my trust renew,  
Me through change and chance He guideth,  
Only good and only true.  
God unknown, He alone  
Calls my heart to be His own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,  
Sword and crown betray His trust;  
What with care and toil He buildeth,  
Tower and temple fall to dust.  
But God's power, Hour by hour,  
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,  
Deep His wisdom, passing thought:  
Splendour, light and life attend him,  
Beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore, from His store,  
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal  
Sacrifice of praise be done,  
High above all praises praising  
For the gift of Christ, His Son.  
Christ doth call One and all:  
Ye who follow shall not fall.

**The Greeting**

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

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

**INTRODUCTION TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

**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 all that is past and grant**

**that we may serve you in newness of life to  
the glory of your name.**

**Amen**

*The president says*

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**

**THE GLORIA**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest;  
And peace, peace to his people on earth,  
Peace, peace to his people on earth.  
Glory to God, glory to God,  
Glory to God in the highest.**

**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,  
Lord 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. X 2**

**The Collect**

God of glory,  
the end of our searching, help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have to gain the pearl  
beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus  
Christ.  
**Amen**

**The Liturgy of the Word  
First Reading**

## Jeremiah 2.4–13

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob,  
and all the families of the house of Israel.  
Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your  
ancestors find in me that they went far from me,  
and went after worthless things, and became  
worthless themselves?

They did not say, Where is the Lord who brought  
us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the  
wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land  
of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no  
one passes through, where no one lives?

I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits  
and its good things. But when you entered you  
defiled my land, and made my heritage an  
abomination.

The priests did not say, Where is the Lord?  
Those who handle the law did not know me; the  
rulers transgressed against me; the prophets  
prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do  
not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says the  
Lord, and I accuse your children's children.  
Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to  
Kedar and examine with care; see if there has  
ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its  
gods, even though they are no gods? But my  
people have changed their glory for something  
that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be  
utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people  
have committed two evils: they have forsaken  
me, the fountain of living water, and dug out  
cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can  
hold no water.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### Responsorial Psalm

**In your goodness, O God, you prepared a  
home for the poor.**

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,  
They shall exult and dance for joy.

O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;  
Rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.

**In your goodness, O God, you prepared a  
home for the poor.**

Father of the orphan defender of the widow,  
Such is God in his holy place.

God gives the lonely a home to live in;  
He leads the prisoners forth into freedom.

**In your goodness, O God, you prepared a  
home for the poor.**

You poured down, O God, a generous rain;  
When your people were starved you gave them  
new life.

It was there that your people found a home,  
Prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.

**In your goodness, O God, you prepared a  
home for the poor.**

### Second Reading

Hebrews 13.1–8, 15–16

Let mutual love continue.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,  
for by doing that some have entertained angels  
without knowing it. Remember those who are in  
prison, as though you were in prison with them;  
those who are being tortured, as though you  
yourselves were being tortured.

Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the  
marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will  
judge fornicators and adulterers.

Keep your lives free from the love of money, and  
be content with what you have; for he has said, I  
will never leave you or forsake you.

So we can say with confidence, The Lord is my  
helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do  
to me?

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the  
word of God to you; consider the outcome of  
their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus  
Christ is the same yesterday and today and for  
ever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a  
sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips  
that confess his name.

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you  
have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

### Gradual Hymn

King of glory, King of peace,  
I will love thee;  
and that love may never cease,  
I will move thee.

Thou hast granted my appeal,  
thou hast heard me;  
thou didst note my ardent zeal,  
thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art  
I will sing thee,  
and the cream of all my heart  
I will bring thee.  
Though my sins against me cried,

thou didst clear me;  
and alone, when they replied,  
thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,  
I will praise thee;  
in my heart, though not in heaven,  
I can raise thee.  
Small it is, in this poor sort  
to enrol thee:  
e'en eternity's too short  
to extol thee

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
And my Father will love him, and we shall come  
to him..

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

### **Gospel Reading**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, Give this person your place, and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, Friend, move up higher; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. He said also to the one who had invited him, When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.

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

### **Homily**

*(Please stand)*

### **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****

*(Please kneel or sit for the prayers)*

### **The Prayers**

Lord in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

(31) Annie Derry (81) Primrose Litchfield (80)  
William Davies (05)

**Sept.**

(1) Bernard Taylor (45) Phyllis Roberts (06)  
(2) Melloney Gibb, Arthur Alldridge.  
(3) Dulcie Hole, Thomas Clarke (02)  
Peggie Watson (08)

- (4) Marvon Forde (86), Gwesyn Lloyd George,  
Peter Acres (05)  
(5) Ellen Bowen (09), Peter Greening (22)  
(6) Wendy Salisbury, Louise O'Connell (02),  
Terry Hannam (03), Ron Dale (05)

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your  
Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

*(Please stand)*

### **The Peace**

"God is love and those who live in love live in  
God and God lives in them."

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us show one another a sign of peace.

### **Offertory Hymn**

Beauty for brokenness, Hope for despair  
Lord, in your suffering, This is our prayer  
Bread for the children, Justice, joy, peace  
Sunrise to sunset Your kingdom increase!

Shelter for fragile lives, Cures for their ills  
Work for the craftsman, Trade for their skills  
Land for the dispossessed, Rights for the weak  
Voices to plead the cause Of those who can't  
speak.

***God of the poor, Friend of the weak  
Give us compassion we pray,  
Melt our cold hearts, Let tears fall like rain  
Come, change our love, From a spark to a  
flame***

Refuge from cruel wars, Havens from fear,  
Cities for sanctuary, Freedoms to share  
Peace to the killing-fields, Scorched earth to  
green  
Christ for the bitterness, His cross for the pain

Rest for the ravaged earth, Oceans and streams  
Plundered and poisoned, Our future, our dreams  
Lord, end our madness, Carelessness, greed  
Make us content with, The things that we need

***God of the poor, Friend of the weak  
Give us compassion we pray,  
Melt our cold hearts, Let tears fall like rain  
Come, change our love, From a spark to a  
flame.***

Lighten our darkness, Breathe on this flame  
Until your justice, Burns brightly again

Until the nations, Learn of your ways  
Seek your salvation, And bring you their praise.

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Blessed are you, Lord of all creation:  
Through your goodness we have this bread to  
offer, which earth has given and human hands  
has made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
Through your goodness we have this wine to  
offer, fruit of the vine and work of the human  
hands.  
It will become our spiritual drink.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**  
Lift up your hearts  
**We lift them to the Lord**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**It is right to give thanks and praise**

Father, we give you thanks and praise through  
your beloved son Jesus Christ, your living Word  
through whom you have created all things.  
Who was sent by you in your great goodness to  
be our Saviour;  
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; As  
your Son, born of the Blessed Virgin  
He lived on earth and went about among us;  
He opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
He put an end to death by dying for us and  
revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so,  
he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy  
people.  
Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with  
all the company of heaven, we proclaim your  
great and glorious name, forever praising you  
and singing,

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of pow'r,  
Lord God of might  
Lord God of pow'r and might.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna  
In the highest.**

**Blessed, blessed, blessed,  
blessed is he who comes in the name,  
who comes in the Lord's own name.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna,**

**In the highest  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna,  
In the highest.**

*(please kneel or sit)*

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.  
We bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.  
Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of St Augustine and all the saints, may praise and glorify you forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, For ever and ever.

**Amen**

### **Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us we are bold to say:

**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**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*(The priest breaks the consecrated bread)*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

### **The Lamb of God**

**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.**

### **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only  
say the word, and I shall be healed.**

**The Sanctuary bell is rung and the Priest  
takes communion followed by the  
congregation.**

### **Communion:**

*All are welcomed to receive Communion or a  
Blessing as guided by the Sidespersons.*

### **Communion Hymn**

Meekness and majesty,  
manhood and deity,  
In perfect harmony,  
the Man who is God.  
Lord of eternity dwells in humanity,  
Kneels in humility and washes our feet.

**O what a mystery, meekness and majesty  
Bow and down and worship,**

***For this is your God.  
This is your God.***

Father's pure radiance,  
Perfect in innocence  
Yet learns obedience  
To death on a cross.  
Suffering to give us life,  
Conquering through sacrifice,  
And as they crucify  
Prays: "Father forgive."

***O what a mystery, meekness and majesty  
Bow and down and worship,  
For this is your God.  
This is your God.***

Wisdom unsearchable,  
God the invisible  
Love indestructible  
In frailty appears.  
Lord of infinity  
Stooping so tenderly,  
Lifts our humanity  
To the heights of His throne.

***O what a mystery, meekness and majesty  
Bow and down and worship,  
For this is your God.  
This is your God.***

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Communion hymn**

Only by grace can we enter,  
Only by grace can we stand;  
Not by our human endeavour,  
But by the blood of the lamb.  
Into your presence You call us,  
You call us to come,  
Into your presence You draw us,  
And now by your grace we come,  
Now by your grace we come.

Lord if you mark our transgressions,  
Who will stand;  
Thanks to your grace,  
We are cleansed by the blood of the lamb,  
Lord if you mark our transgressions  
Who will stand  
thanks to your grace  
We are cleansed by the blood of the lamb.

*(Please stand)*

## **Prayer after Communion**

Lord of all mercy,

we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

**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**

## **NOTICES**

*(Pease stand)*

### **Blessing**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen**

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

## **Recessional Hymn**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed!  
Great David's greater Son;  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free;  
To take away transgression,  
And rule in equity.

He comes with succour speedy  
To those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy,  
And bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing,  
Their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
Were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth,  
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,  
Spring in his path to birth:  
Before him on the mountains  
Shall peace the herald go;  
And righteousness in fountains  
From hill to valley flow.

O'er every foe victorious  
He on his throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All -blessing and all-blest:  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand for ever;  
That name to us is Love.