



19<sup>th</sup> October 2025 10:00 Parish Communion **The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity** Blended Worship



October Charity of the Month: Liver Cancer UK



# The prayer for The Green Howards Regiment

Almighty and most merciful Father, we give thanks for the service of The Green Howards Regiment which bore the symbol of your cross and whose sacrifice is commemorated in our Regimental Chapel.

Today, may your inspiration and protection be with The Royal Yorkshire Regiment, that it may protect the weak and vulnerable and serve the cause of liberty and truth.

We ask this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace and Saviour of all.

All Amen.



The church's one foundation
 is Jesus Christ her Lord;
 she is his new creation
 by water and the word:
 from heaven he came and sought her
 to be his holy Bride;
 with his own blood he bought her,
 and for her life he died.



2. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.



3. Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore opprest, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distrest; yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, 'How long?' And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.



4. 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.



Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

S. J. Stone (1839-1900)



# **The Gathering**

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

All Amen.

## The Greeting

All

The Lord be with you and also with you.



## **Prayer of Preparation**

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.



### The Beatitudes

Let us hear our Lord's blessing on those who follow him.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.



### The Beatitudes

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who suffer persecution for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Let us confess our many failures to keep this way of truth and life.

## **Prayer of Preparation**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, All 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.



## **Prayers of Penitence**

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.

### All Amen.



### **Gloria in Excelsis**

All 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.



### Gloria in Excelsis

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.

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. Amen.



### **The Collect**

Let us pray.

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.



## Readings

A reading from the book of Genesis (32:22-31 NRSV)

At night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.



## Readings

<sup>26</sup>Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' 27So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' 31The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God



# Readings

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy (3:14-4:5 NRSV)

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.



# Readings

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup> and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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# Second Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

- Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence praise.
- 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.



# Second Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

- 3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
  O calm of hills above,
  where Jesus knelt to share with thee
  the silence of eternity,
  interpreted by love!
- 4. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.



# Second Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

5. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)



## **Gospel Reading**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (18:1-8 NRSV)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told the disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent."



## **Gospel Reading**

<sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." '<sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ





Sermon
The Rt Revd John Pritchard

### The Creed

All 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.



### The Creed

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.



### The Creed

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.





### The Peace

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord and also with you.

be always with you All





# Hymn at preparation: Before the throne of God above

Before the throne of God above

 I have a strong, a perfect plea:
 a great High Priest whose name is Love
 who ever lives and pleads for me.
 My name is graven on Love's hands,
 my name is written in Love's heart;
 I know that while in heaven Love stands
 no tongue can bid me then depart
 no tongue can bid me then depart.



# Hymn at preparation: Before the throne of God above

2. For though I'm tempted to despair and only seek for strength within, outward I look and see Love there and hope and faith and joy flood in. Because my saviour, Love has come, my grateful soul has been set free, for God from heaven came to earth and lived a mortal life like me, and lived a mortal life like me.



## Hymn at preparation: Before the throne of God above

3. Behold Love there! The risen Son!
my perfect, dazzling righteousness;
the great unchangeable I AM,
the God of glory and of grace.
At one with God I cannot die,
my soul is captured by God's love;
my life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ my saviour and my God
with Christ my saviour and my God.

Charitie De Chenez, adapted by Kelvin Holdsworth (1807-1892)



## **Preparation of the Table**

Blessed be God who feeds the hungry, who raises the poor, who fills our praise.

All Blessed be God for ever.



### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

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.

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you,

with saints and angels praising you, and singing:



All 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.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.



On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.



So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.



Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.



### The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven, All hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.



#### **Breaking of the 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**

All Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.



#### **Giving of Communion**

Come to this table, not because you must, but because you may.

Come not because you have all faith, but because you have some faith and would like to grow in it.

Come because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more.

Come because he loves you and wants to give you everything.

Come because this is the table of the Lord, and it is he who invites us to be here.



### Communion Hymn: Spirit of God, unseen as the wind

Spirit of God, unseen as the wind, gentle as is the dove, teach us the truth and help us believe, show us the Saviour's love.

- You spoke to us long, long ago, gave us the written word; we read it still, needing its truth, through it God's voice is heard.
- Without your help we fail our Lord, we cannot live his way; we need your power, we need your strength, following Christ each day.



### **Prayers after Communion**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

All Amen.



## **Prayers after Communion**

All 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.





**Notices** 

# Final Hymn: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

- Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
   Saviour, Master, King!
   Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
   hear us as we sing:
   Yours the glory and the crown,
   the high renown, the eternal name!
- Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth! power and majesty concealing by your humble birth: Yours the glory ...



# Final Hymn: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

- 3. Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated, victim crucified! death is through the cross defeated, sinners justified:

  Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name!
- 4. Priestly king, enthroned for ever high in heaven above! sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love:

  Yours the glory ...



## Final Hymn: Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

5. So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long, ceaselessly upon you gazing, this shall be our song:

Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name!

Michael Saward (b. 1932)



#### **Blessing**

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.





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