



SUNDAY
OCTOBER

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ORDINARY **27**

2023

*At any time in the service when we invite you to stand
you are welcome to remain seated if you need to.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing out your faith with cheerful voice;
delight in God whose praise you tell,
whose presence calls you to rejoice.

Know that there is one God, indeed,
who fashions us without our aid,
who claims us, gives us all we need,
whose tender care will never fade.

Enter the sacred gates with praise,
with joy approach the temple walls.
Extol and bless our God always,
as people whom the Spirit calls.

Proclaim again that God is good,
whose mercy is for ever sure;
whose truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

*Words: William Kethe (d. 1594), alt.
Tune: Old 100th, melody from 'Genevan Psalter', 1551;
attributed to Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561). TIS 59*

WELCOME

Grace and peace to you from God.
God fill you with truth and joy.

Liturgist: Be with us, Spirit of God;
for nothing can separate us from your love.
Breathe on us, breath of God; and fill us with your loving presence.
Speak in us, wisdom of God; and bring strength, healing and peace.

**God of our days and years, we set this time apart to be still.
Form us in the likeness of Christ
so that our lives may reflect you. Amen.**¹

THE GLORIA

Words: Jenny Blood. Music: Michael Bell

Sing prais - es to God, Cre -
at - ing Pres - ence, Spin - ner of star - dust bril - liant with light,
Paint - er of dark - ness, deep - er than night. All glo - ry to God.
Sing prais - es to God,
born of com - pas - sion, Heal - ing re - la - tion - ship, bless - ing the poor,
Spurned as a reb - el by peo - ple in power. All glo - ry to God.

¹ Church of England

Sing prais - es to God,
 Flame of the Spir-it, Dream-ing new vi-sions, sing-ing new songs,
 Bring - er of good news for which the heart longs.
 All glo - ry to God. All glo - ry to God

Please be seated.

Liturgist: We come seeking forgiveness and wholeness
 for ourselves and for our world.

FORGIVENESS

1st time CANTOR, 2nd time ALL

E te A - ri - ki kia_ a - ro - ha mai.
 E - te - Ka - rai - ti kia_ a - ro - ha mai.
 E te A - ri - ki kia_ a - ro - ha mai.

[Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy]

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Silence

God of life,
in our indifference and helplessness
we destroy your creation;
we condone violence and ignore suffering;
we do not act with compassion and justice.
Breathe on us, God, this day,
that we might be whole again. ³

Priest: God forgives us, forgive others, forgive yourself.

THE SENTENCE AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.

Psalms 19:2

Gracious and loving God you make all things new;
Transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
And in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory:
Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

PSALM 80:8-17

Chant: George Holden (1806-1856)

You brought a vine out of Egypt:
you drove out the nations and planted it in.

You cleared the ground for it:
and when it had taken root it filled the land.

The mountains were covered with the shade of it:
and its boughs were like those of mighty cedars.

It stretched out its branches as far as the Sea:
and its shoots as far as the River.

Why then have you broken down its fences:
so that all who go by pluck off its grapes?

The boar out of the forest roots it up:
and the beasts of the field devour it.

Turn to us again O God of hosts:
look down from heaven and see.

³ *Jenny Blood (1932-2022)*

Bestow your care upon this vine:
upon its stock which your right hand has planted.

As for those who burn it with fire, and cut it down:
let them perish at the frown of your face.

Let your hand rest upon the one at your right hand:
the one you have made so strong for your service.

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Exodus 20:1-4, 4-9, 12-20

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN

Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God;
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

Tune: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815). TIS 234

THE GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of Christ according to Matthew chapter twenty-one, beginning at verse thirty-three.



Be a lamp to my feet.

Matthew 21:33-46

This is the Gospel of Christ.



Be a light for my path.

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THE SERMON

SILENCE

ANTHEM

If ye love me

Philip Wilby

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist:

Let us pray for those far and near, people and places, powerful and powerless, all for whom we are concerned.

THE PEACE

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Ariki ki a koutou.

A ki a koe ano hoki.

[The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.]

Please turn and greet those around you with peace.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN *

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your pardon, Christ;
and **where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

O Jesus, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where **there's despair in life, let me bring hope;**
where there is darkness, let me bring your light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

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so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

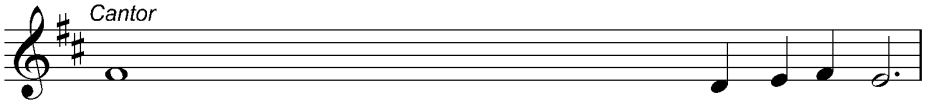
*Words: Based on an anonymous prayer (? French) c. 1900
This version by Johann Sebastian Templehoff ('Sebastian Temple') (1928-1997)
Tune: Channel of Peace, Sebastian Temple (1928-1997)
arr. Betty Pulkingham. TIS 607*

* *There is a donation bowl on the back table.*

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donation to St Matthew-in-the-City
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THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS



Glory be to God who flows through all creation, blessing us with gifts to share.



Bless'd be God for - ev - er.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Spirit is here.

God's hope is in us.



Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.



Let us give thanks to the God of peace.



It is right to of-fer thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks, Creator of all,
for your voice alone brought light and life to birth when all began.
You called each one of us to be,
and named us with the name that you alone could speak.
You called us to be lovers of creation,
and to care for each other as you had cared for us.

But we betrayed your trust
and we in turn became the victims of betrayal.
The bond of trust became the bondage of division:
male and female, Jew and Gentile,
slave and free, oppressor and oppressed.

Yet you in your love did not desert us,
but instead Jesus came among us to seek us out,
to gather in the lost and outcast.
He threw open the doors of freedom,
casting out the darkness of our hearts
and greeting us as God's beloved friends and children.

In place of judgment, Jesus gave us compassion;
in place of condemnation, healing.
And even as he came to share our suffering,
he called us to be witnesses,
to follow in the way that led to the cross;
and to see with our own eyes the depths of your forgiveness.
Therefore, with all that have life in him, we praise you and sing:

Organ *All*



Ho - ly God, ho - ly and mer-ci-ful.



ho-ly and just, glo-ry and good-ness come from you.



Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of God. Ho-



san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.

On the night before he died,
our friend and brother Jesus took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said:
“Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine,
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to the disciples and said:
“Drink of 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.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, loving God, we offer this bread and wine,
giving thanks for his death and resurrection:

Cantor *All*

Bread of life **food for the world.**

Cantor *All*

Cup of life **for the thir - sty.**

Cantor *All*

Je - sus our bro - ther **of-fered for us.**

Now, as was promised, send us your loving Spirit,
that this bread and this cup may represent
the life-giving presence of your Christ,
and make us one in your covenant of love,
proclaiming the freedom of new life, as together we sing: ⁵

⁵ *The Great Thanksgiving is adapted from a service from St Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco*

Organ *All*

Bless - ing and ho - nour and glo - ry be yours,
 here and eve - ry - where now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Please be seated.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kua akona nei tātou e to tātou Ariki, ka inoi tātou:

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi,

kia tapu tōu Ingoa.

Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.

Kia meatia tāu e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua,

kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.

Hōmai ki a mātou āiane

he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.

Murua ō mātou hara,

me mātou hoki e muru nei,

i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.

Aua hoki mātou e kaweā kia whakawaia;

engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:

Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria,

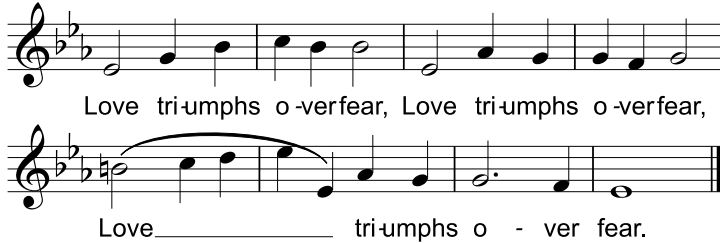
Āke, ake, ake. Āmine.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.**

We sing three times:



Love tri-umphs o-verfear, Love tri-umphs o-verfear,
Love_____ tri-umphs o - ver fear.

THE INVITATION

Haere mai e te kāhui a te Atua,
tangohia ēnei kai rangatira a te Karaiti.

Come, bringing your varied faiths and backgrounds,
for all are welcome to share in this act of communion.

*All are welcome to come and receive the bread;
there are gluten free wafers, just ask the serving priest.*

*If you do not wish to take communion
you may come forward for a blessing.*

*If the stairs are a barrier please sit in the front pews
and communion will be brought to you.*

Te Taro o te Ora. The bread of life.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Vinea mea electa

Michael Haydn (1737-1806)

A Gaelic Blessing

John Rutter

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, whom we know in love and graciousness,
we accept with gratitude all that lies within this sacred feast.
May we carry into the world the bread which brings life
and the wine of compassion for all who wait in longing.
This we pray in your name. Amen. ⁶

THE BLESSING

NOTICES

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NOTICES

⁶ Dorothy McRae-McMahon "Liturgies for High Days", p. 126

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FINAL HYMN

We are many, we are one,
and the work of Christ is done
when we learn to live in true community,
as the stars that fill the night,
as a flock of birds in flight,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the branches of a tree,
as the waves upon the sea,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

All division is made whole
when we honour every soul,
find the life of God in every you and me,
as the fingers of a hand,
as the grains that form the sand,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the threads upon a loom,
as a field of flowers in bloom,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

We will join creation's song,
make a world where all belong,
build as one in peace and loving harmony,
as the voices of a choir,
as the flames within a fire,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine;
as the snowflakes in the snow,
as the colours of a bow,
as the cluster of the grapes upon the vine.

*Words: Colin Gibson
Tune: Hamilton, Colin Gibson. FFS 67*

Deacon from the rear of the Church:

Go now for the Spirit of God is alive in the land.
Amen. We go in the power of love.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude in C major BWV 545

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

MUSIC NOTES

John Rutter's "A Gaelic Blessing" continuously repeats the first line of the text, "Deep peace" and refers to the natural elements. The words are similar to many ancient Celtic Christian prayers and songs. Rutter has said that it is based on "an old Gaelic rune", and that he added a line mentioning Jesus and the word Amen, to also make it a Christian anthem.

"Vinea mea electa" is the third of nine settings of the Tenebrae Responsories (Responsoria in Parasceve) sung following the readings during the Matins services of Tenebrae, over the last three days of Holy Week: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Johann Michael Haydn was the younger brother of Joseph Haydn and also a prolific composer.

Translation: O vineyard, my chosen one. I planted thee. How is thy sweetness turned into bitterness, to crucify me and take Barabbas in my place? I protected thee; I took the hard stones away from thy path, and built a tower in thy defence.

*We invite you to **keep** this copy of the Service and take it home with you to share with another member of your family, or with a friend
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