



Grace Lutheran Church Redcliffe
Service Order for 21st August
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*Almighty and eternal God,
help us to grow in faith, hope, and love.
Make us love what you command,
and give to us what you promise.
We ask this through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.*

OPENING SENTENCE: Exodus 20:8

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
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INVOCATION

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

Don't You Know That I Formed You? (click [here](#))

**Don't you know that I formed you?
Before you were born I knew you
Can't you see that My plans you are good?**

**Don't you know that I formed you?
Before you were born I knew you
Can't you see that My plans you are good?**

**So look and see I've engraved you On the palm of My hands
look and see I've engraved you On the My hands**

**Don't you know that I formed you?
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David Garratt, Wayne Drain
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CONFESSION

*Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins,
and ask Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.*

**Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to You all my sins,
and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased You and deserve Your
punishment in time and in eternity. But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask You, for the
sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be
gracious and merciful to me. Amen.**

*Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given His only Son to
die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He
has given the right to become children of God, and has given them His Holy Spirit.
Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all. **Amen.***

PSALM: Psalm 71: 1-6

*¹ In you, LORD, I have taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame.*

*² In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me;
turn your ear to me and save me.*

*³ Be my rock of refuge,
to which I can always go;
give the command to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.*

*⁴ Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel.*

From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb.

⁵ For you have been my hope, Sovereign LORD,
my confidence since my youth.

⁶ From my birth I have relied on you;
you brought me forth from my mother's womb.
I will ever praise you.

From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb.

**Glory to the Father
and the Son
and the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now,
and will be forever.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray that we please God with our worship.

[silence]

*Thank you, great and loving God,
for bringing us into your presence
with the angels and all your people.*

*Fill us with joy as we come
to receive good gifts from you.*

*We ask this through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.*

Amen.

BIBLE READING

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10 The Lord calls Jeremiah (**NIVUK**)

⁴ The word of the LORD came to me, saying, ⁵ 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew^[a] you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.' ⁶ 'Alas, Sovereign LORD,' I said, 'I do not know how to speak; I am too young.'
⁷ But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, "I am too young." You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with

you and will rescue you,' declares the LORD. ⁹Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, 'I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.'

After the reading

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29 Mount Sinai and Mount Zion contrasted (NIVUK)

¹⁸You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; ¹⁹to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, ²⁰because they could not bear what was commanded: 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death.'^[a] ²¹The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, 'I am trembling with fear.'^[b] ²²But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, ²³to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, 'Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.'^[c] ²⁷The words 'once more' indicate the removing of what can be shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, ²⁹for our 'God is a consuming fire.'^[d]

After the reading

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia!

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*They cried to the Lord in their trouble:
he sent out his word and healed them.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17 Jesus heals a crippled woman on the Sabbath

Before the reading

Glory be to You, O LORD.

¹⁰On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, 'Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.' ¹³Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. ¹⁴Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, 'There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.' ¹⁵The Lord answered him, 'You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?' ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

After the reading

This is the gospel of the LORD.

Praise be to You, O Christ.

*Lord Jesus, thank you for your love and mercy
to people in need.*

Help us to have the same compassion for others.

Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

LHS 306 – I Heard The Voice of Jesus Say (click [here](#))

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, ‘Come unto Me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon My breast’:
I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, ‘Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live’:
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, ‘I am this dark world’s light;
look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright’:
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I’ll walk till travelling days are done.**

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

SERMON

At this point you may wish to Listen to Sermon, or Read and Discuss the Sermon
For Church YouTube Channel ([click here](#))
The Sermon online may be different to the manuscript.
For LCA Worship Resources ([click here](#))

LHS 538 - Glory to Thee, My God This Night (click [here](#))

**Glory to thee, my God, this night For all the blessings of the light;
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings, Beneath thine own almighty wings.**

**Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son, The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.**

O may my soul on thee repose, And with sweet sleep mine eyelids close—
Sleep that shall me more vigorous make To serve my God when I awake.

O! When shall, in endless day, For ever chase dark sleep away,
And hymns with the supernal choir Incessant sing, and never tire?

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

OFFERING PRAYER

*Loving Lord,
help us to trust in your care,
and place ourselves and all we have
in your hands,
to use according to your wisdom and goodness.
Amen.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God. So let us speak the prayers that are on our hearts and minds.

Almighty God, heavenly Father, we give you thanks for all your blessings of body and soul. Above all, we thank you for preserving your holy church, the gospel and the sacraments. We thank you for the leaders of our church, our Bishop of the LCA (*insert name*), our District Bishop (*insert name*), our pastors, lay workers and teachers. May their lives provide an example of holy living for all Christians.

*For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, **hear our prayer.***

We give you thanks for our state leaders, our premier (*insert name*), and our parliament, that through them you provide stable government for our society. Fill them with truthfulness, justice and wisdom.

*For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, **hear our prayer.***

We bring before you the needs of those who suffer misfortune – for strangers and refugees in our land, for the poor, for those who are physically or mentally disabled, for those who are in prison, and for those who are suffering for their faith. Comfort them in their need and give us willing hearts and hands to help them where we can.

*For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, **hear our prayer.***

We bring before you the work of prison chaplaincy – let those who are serving sentences know that those who look to you will never be put to shame. And we pray for the victims of crime, that they will be granted justice and that you will give them the strength they need to re-establish a normal life.

For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the institution of marriage in our land, that it may be honoured by all and upheld by the law. Help families to spend time with each other and grow closer. Bring your peace to families in conflict and help them to forgive whatever has hurt them in the past.

For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on all who are driven by greed and a love of money. Help our society overcome the god of materialism and to look to you as the source of all good.

For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, **hear our prayer.**

Since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, we give thanks to you, our God, and we offer you our worship with reverence and awe; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
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 forever. Amen.**

BLESSING

*Let us bless the LORD.
God be praised forevermore.
The LORD bless us and keep us.
The LORD make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.
The LORD look upon us with favour, and give us peace.
Amen!*

GROWING FAITH AT HOME BLESSING

May the joy of the Lord be your strength

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WORDS OF SENDING

*Go in peace, and give thanks,
for you are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken.*

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Here I Am Lord (click [here](#))

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

**Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night;
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

**Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night;
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts are satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

**Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night;
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

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HYMNS AND SONGS

First reading (a): Jeremiah 1:4-10

LHS

- 227 O Spirit of the living God G5
- 269 Speak forth Thy word, O Father G4
- 373 Lord, speak to me, that I may speak* G5

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- 103 Send your servant down the road
- 296 I, the Lord of sea and sky
- 305 Thuma mina
- 323 May the words of my mouth
- 448 Loving Spirit

Second reading: Hebrews 12:18-29

LHS

- 69 Glory be to Jesus* G6
- 191 The Church's one foundation G4
- 251 Only begotten, Word of God eternal* G6
- 445 Ye holy angels bright G8
- 456 The God of Abraham praise G7
- 501 God Himself is present* G3
- 504 To Thy temple I repair G5
- 507 Open now Thy gates of beauty* G3

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- 130 I am covered over
- 324 Saints of all time
- 345 Nothing but the blood

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

LHS

- 159 O for a thousand tongues to sing* G5
- 505 Father, who the light this day G4
- 817 O Jesus Christ, to you may hymns be rising G7

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