



SERVICE ORDER
Sunday, 9th October
18th Sunday After Pentecost



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**Merciful Lord,
give pardon and peace to your faithful people.
Cleanse us from all our sins,
so that we may serve you with minds set at rest.
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: PSALM 66:5

*Come and see what our God has done,
what awesome miracles he performs for people.*

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INVOCATION

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

LHS 161 – HOW SWEET THE NAME OF JESUS

**How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.**

**It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast,
is manna to the hungry soul and to the weary rest.**

**Dear name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding-place,
My never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace:**

**Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend, my prophet, priest and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.**

**Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see you as you are I'll praise you as I ought.**

John Newton

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 66: 1-12

¹ Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

² Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

³ Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds!

So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you.

⁴ All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you,
they sing the praises of your name.'^[a]

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

⁵ Come and see what God has done,
his awesome deeds for mankind!

⁶ He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the waters on foot –
come, let us rejoice in him.

⁷ He rules for ever by his power, his eyes watch the nations – let not the rebellious rise
up against him.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

⁸ Praise our God, all peoples,
let the sound of his praise be heard;
⁹ he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.
¹⁰ For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver.
¹¹ You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs.

¹² You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

**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 may depend on God.

[silence]

*Lord, you have called us to open our hands
so that you might fill them.*

*Open not only our hands, but our hearts also,
so that we recognise your goodness,
count all things loss in comparison with you,
and desire to be made like 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 29:1,4-7 Jeremiah's letter to the exiles in Babylon (NIVUK)

¹ This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴ This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ 'Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶ Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in

number there; do not decrease. ⁷ Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.'

After the reading
This is the Word of the LORD.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15 A call to endurance (NIVUK)

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself. ¹⁴ Keep reminding God's people of these things. Warn them before God against quarrelling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

After the reading
This is the Word of the LORD.
Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Lord, we are not worthy to receive you;
but speak the word only, and we shall be healed.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19 Jesus heals ten lepers (NIVUK)

Before the reading
Glory be to You, O LORD.

¹¹ Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy^[a] met him. They

stood at a distance ¹³ and called out in a loud voice, 'Jesus, Master, have pity on us!' ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said, 'Go, show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶ He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him – and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Jesus asked, 'Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?' ¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹ Then he said to him, 'Rise and go; your faith has made you well.'

After the reading
This is the gospel of the LORD.

Praise be to You, O Christ.

*Lord Jesus, thank you for having mercy on us
and healing us of our sin.*

Make us thankful in words and deeds.

Amen.

APOSTLE'S 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**

AT 301 – PRAYER OF PEACE

**May the Father of love stir you deep in your heart.
May the Son bring His tears to your crying. May the Spirit of love
rise anew ev'ry day, and compassion flare up in your soul.**

**May you live day by day and for those whom you meet.
May you care, though your heart will be broken. May your voice be as one
with the cry of the poor, and the hungry be filled with your food.**

**May your love in your deeds work for peace on this earth,
for our God dwells within those who suffer. May you ache for the time
war will pass from your life, and your freedom frustrate Caesar's pow'r.**

**May the Father of love stir you deep in your heart.
May the Son bring His tears to your crying. May the Spirit of love
rise anew ev'ry day, and compassion flare up in your soul.**

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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](#))

AT 43 – How Shall I Call You?

**How shall I call You? Maker of heaven,
Poet of sunset and painter of sky;
Father almighty who's running to find us,
giving His Son who must suffer and die.**

**Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Spirit,
Let's sing it again and again. Glory to the Father,
the Son, and the Spirit, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**How shall I call You? Lover of children,
Shepherd and teacher and brother and friend;
healer of blind man and healer of leper:
You are beginning and middle and end.**

**Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Spirit,
Let's sing it again and again. Glory to the Father,
the Son, and the Spirit, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**How shall I call You? Spirit of comfort,
cloud in the daytime and fire in the night;
Guide as we wander, protector in danger,
Listener and Helper and giver of sight.**

**Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Spirit,
Let's sing it again and again. Glory to the Father,
the Son, and the Spirit, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**How shall I call? Master and servant,
Lord of the seasons and Lord of the years;
faithful and constant in loving and mercy,
giver of laughter and taker of tears.**

**Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Spirit,
Let's sing it again and again. Glory to the Father,
the Son, and the Spirit, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Robin Mann

OFFERING PRAYER

*Faithful God,
accept the gifts we bring
out of thankfulness for all you have done for us,
and use them for your service.
Amen.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Like Naaman, let us come before God seeking help, and like the ten lepers, let us cry to the Lord for mercy as we pray for ourselves, our church and all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, you have power over life and death, and through our Lord Jesus Christ you offer forgiveness and eternal life. Thank you for bringing us to baptism and so freeing us from eternal condemnation. Bring all your people to come to you in gratitude every day, and open our lips to give you thanks and praise.
*Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.***

Father, you do not hide your goodness but let it be known in your holy word. Thank you for making your truth and love known to us. Strengthen the preaching and teaching of your word, uphold the ministers of your word, and bring all people to listen to you with eager ears, believing hearts and grateful responses.
*Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.***

Father, your mercies are new every day. Thank you for the blessings of body and mind, of home and family, and of communal life in this Commonwealth of Australia. Guide our parliamentarians and government to serve you well, and grow the gratitude of our nation for their work.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Father, you embrace people of all races and nations. Thank you for your inclusive love. Remove unjust prejudice and favouritism on earth, and replace fear with the peace of Christ and salvation from him. Help us include those whom others cast out, in gratitude for your grace to us.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Father, you provide for the poor and heal the sick. Thank you for family members and health care professionals who look after them. Give success to their efforts, sustain their own health and well-being, and help and heal those they serve. And meet the needs of those we know personally to be in want, and whom we now name silently in our hearts...*(brief silence)*.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, as we have died with Christ and live with him, hear our cry for mercy in his name, for he 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 God show you his kindness and
mercy and fill your heart with thanks.*

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mercy and fill your heart with thanks.**

WORDS OF SENDING

Go in peace and thankfulness.

God has made you whole.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

LHS 437 – NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

**Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us.
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven:
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

Martin Rinckart 1586-1649 Tr Catherine Winkworth (1858), alt.

HYMNS AND SONGS

First reading (a): Jeremiah 29:1,4-7

LHS

572 O God of love, O King of peace

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192 Spirit of peace

301 Prayer of peace

Second reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

LHS

4 Once He came in blessing

169 The head that once was crowned with thorns

277 Baptized into Thy name most holy

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833 We praise you, Lord, for Jesus Christ

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Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

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161 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

335 Just as I am, without one plea

431 My soul, now bless thy Maker

437 Now thank we all our God

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43 How shall I call you?

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325 Sing to God with joy and gladness

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