

**SERVICE ORDER**  
**Sunday, 4 June**  
**First Sunday After Pentecost**  
**Holy Trinity**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**Almighty and eternal God,  
you have given us faith  
to affirm the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and to worship you as One.  
Keep us firm in this faith and safe with you forever.  
For you live and reign, one God, now and forever.  
Amen.**

**OPENING SENTENCE: MATTHEW 28:19**

*Go to the people of all nations and make them my disciples.  
Baptise them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.  
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Baptise them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.***

**INVOCATION**

*In the name of the Father and of the Son <sup>†</sup> and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.*

**ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING**

**All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!  
O burning sun with golden beam, and silver moon with softer gleam:  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Dear mother earth, who day by day  
unfolds all blessings on our way, O praise Him, alleluia!  
The flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them His glory also show:  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**And everyone of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take your part, O praise Him, alleluia!  
All who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care:  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**And you, most kind and gentle death,  
waiting to hush our latest breath, O praise Him, alleluia!  
You lead to heaven the child of God, and Christ our Lord the way has trod:  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship Him in humbleness: O praise Him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Based on Laudato sia Dio mio Signore,  
the 'Canticle of the Sun' of Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)  
William Henry Draper (1855-1933)**

### **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 8**

**LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

*You have set your glory in the heavens.*

*<sup>2</sup> Through the praise of children and infants  
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,  
to silence the foe and the avenger.*

*<sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,*

*<sup>4</sup> what is mankind that you are mindful of them,  
human beings that you care for them?<sup>[c]</sup>*

**O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

*<sup>5</sup> You have made them<sup>[d]</sup> a little lower than the angels<sup>[e]</sup>  
and crowned them<sup>[f]</sup> with glory and honor.*

*<sup>6</sup> You made them rulers over the works of your hands;  
you put everything under their<sup>[g]</sup> feet:*

*<sup>7</sup> all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,*

*<sup>8</sup> the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea,  
all that swim the paths of the seas.*

**O LORD, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in 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 for faith in the Triune God.*

*[silence]*

**Eternal God,**

**you have revealed yourself  
as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
and you live in the perfect unity of love.**

**Give us a sure faith in you,  
so that we share in your holy fellowship and life  
as three Persons in one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## BIBLE READING

**FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a** The Triune God creates the world through his word

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. <sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day. <sup>6</sup>And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." <sup>7</sup>So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day. <sup>9</sup>And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good. <sup>11</sup>Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so. <sup>12</sup>The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day. <sup>14</sup>And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup>God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. <sup>17</sup>God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup>to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day. <sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky." <sup>21</sup>So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day. <sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. <sup>25</sup>God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. <sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals,<sup>[a]</sup> and over all the creatures that move along the ground." <sup>27</sup>So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and

female he created them. <sup>28</sup>God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” <sup>29</sup>Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. <sup>30</sup>And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so. <sup>31</sup>God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day. <sup>2</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. <sup>2</sup>By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. <sup>3</sup>Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done. <sup>4</sup>This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, when the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.

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

**SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13(14)** The apostolic blessing in the name of the Triune God

<sup>11</sup>Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup>Greet one another with a holy kiss. <sup>13</sup>All God’s people here send their greetings. <sup>14</sup>May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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

### **ALLELUIA VERSE**

*Alleluia!*

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.*

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20** The great commission in the name of the Triune God

*Before the reading*

**Glory be to You, O LORD.**

<sup>16</sup>Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

*After the reading*

*This is the gospel of the LORD.*

**Praise be to You, O Christ.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
thank you that we are yours  
through baptism in the name of  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
Be with us always.  
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**

## **A VOICE IS HEARD**

**Come, let us praise our God, Come, let us sing for joy.  
With a heart of thanks we give honour. You are a mighty God,  
You are the source of life. Creator God, we give praise.**

**From the deepest seas – a voice is heard.  
From the highest hills – a voice is heard.  
From the rich dark earth – a voice is heard.  
All creation sings! God is heard.**

**Come, let us praise our God, Come, let us sing for joy.  
With a heart of thanks we give honour. You are a mighty God,  
You are the source of life. Creator God, we give praise.**

**Through the darkest night – a voice is heard.  
Through the breaking dawn – a voice is heard.  
Through the heart of life – a voice is heard.  
All creation sings! God is heard.**

**Come, let us praise our God, Come, let us sing for joy.  
With a heart of thanks we give honour.  
You are a mighty God, You are the source of life.  
Creator God, we give praise.**

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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](#))**

## **LORD, YOUR ALMIGHTY WORD**

**Lord, your almighty word chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light.**

Saviour, who came to give those who in darkness live  
healing and sight, health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind, now to all humankind  
let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving holy dove,  
speed forth your flight; move on the waters' face,  
bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.

Holy and blessed Three, glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might, boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride, through the earth far and wide,  
let there be light.

John Marriott

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

*Loving Triune God,  
teach us, your children,  
to praise and glorify you with our lives  
and all that we have, by serving others.  
**Amen.***

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*God our Father has created us. In his love, he sent his Son to redeem us. Now he gathers together his holy people by the power of his Spirit. Let us therefore come to him in the Spirit, through the name of Jesus, and ask him for all our needs.*

Dear heavenly Father, thank you for making yourself known through your mighty works. Continue to show yourself to the world by spreading the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Keep all pastors and teachers of the church true to the Trinitarian faith, so that the community of the church may flow from the community of God.  
Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Move all who have been baptised in your name to value their baptism and live it out each day. And help Christian parents bring up their children in the true faith.  
Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Bring all people to accept the world as your wonderful gift, and move us to preserve its beauty and diversity. Guide scientists as they investigate and manipulate your creation. And give success to all worthwhile agriculture, commerce and industry.  
Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray that all people may value human life as made in your image. Stop us from abusing and misusing our fellow human beings and help us to treat them as our brothers and sisters in your family.  
Lord in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our own congregation/parish and all its events and activities. Raise up the people we need to serve in particular roles in our congregation/parish and support those in positions of leadership.  
Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Give strength and health to the sick and all who are troubled. Strengthen them in their suffering and build their faith in Christ. Meet the needs of all people in special situations, including those known to us personally and whom we now name in our hearts... *(brief silence)*  
Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, you are the ground of our existence and the foundation of our faith. Support us in this faith as we live in your name, for you are Father, Son, and 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 grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of  
God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.*

**May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of  
God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.**

### **WORDS OF SENDING**

*Go in the peace of God,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **FREELY, FREELY**

**God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his love, as he told me to.**

**He said, "Freely, freely you have received,  
freely, freely give. Go in my name and  
because you believe, others will know that I live."**

**All power is given in Jesus' name, on earth and heaven in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his power as he told me to.**

**He said, "Freely, freely you have received,  
freely, freely give. Go in my name and  
because you believe, others will know that I live."**

## HYMNS AND SONGS

### **First reading: Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a**

#### **LHS**

- 142 We all beleive in one true God\* G3
- 222 Thou whose almighty word G6
- 429 All creatures of our God and King G6
- 578 Eternal Father, strong to save G6
- 598 I sing the almighty power of God G5
- 808 Go out my heart
- 809 Go out my heart (alt tune 808)
- 810 Let all things now living G6
- 812 The Lord in wisdom made the earth
- 823 Your strong word broke through the darkness (esp vv 1,2,6)
- 864 God, who made the earth G, STJ 66

#### **AT**

- 123 Morning has broken
- 365 Lord of all
- 422 Canticle of Daniel
- 430 A voice is heard
- 456 Everything we got

### **Second reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13(14)**

#### **LHS**

- 277 Baptized into Thy name most holy\* G4
- 510 May the grace of Christ our Saviour G7
- 777 Father in heaven GS

#### **AT**

- 86 A blessing
- 115 Father in heaven
- 193 Benediction
- 293 Depart with the peace of God

### **Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20**

#### **LHS**

- 221 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word\*
- 227 O Spirit of the living God
- 231 O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling
- 234 Facing a task unfinished
- 277 Baptized into Thy name most holy\* G4
- 771 Hallelujah! sing to Jesus

829 I was made a Christian GS

**AT**

31 Freely, freely

222 What a gift

305 Thuma mina

343 Jesus come and stand among us

496 Don't be afraid