

SERVICE ORDER

Sunday, 19 October 2025 Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Lord, keep your family faithful to you.

Protect us from all evil, so that we may serve you by doing good, to the glory of your name.

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 SENTENCES

Come, children of God, bring your worries and burdens into the Lord's presence.

Let us lift our eyes to the Lord, our help and our peace.

Do not chase after riches or fear the future, for your Father knows what you need.

Let us trust in the mercy of God, who provides daily bread and eternal life.

Come with quiet hearts and thankful voices, resting in Christ your treasure.

Let us worship the Lord with joy, for in Christ we can be truly content.

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED

All my hope on God is founded
All my trust He shall renew
He my guide through changing order
Only good and only true
God unknown
He alone
Calls my heart to be His own

Pride of man and earthly glory
Sword and crown betray His trust
All that human toil can fashion
Tower and temple fall to dust
But God's power
Hour by hour
Is my temple and my tower

Day by day our mighty giver
Grants to us His gifts of love
In His will our souls find pleasure
Leading to our home above
Love shall stand
At His hand
Joy shall wait for His command

Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ His Son
Hear Christ's call
One and all
We who follow shall not fall

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LORD HAVE MERCY

(spoken)

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

YOU ARE GLORIOUS

You are glorious.

Ev'ry knee shall bow to one victorious, now exalted to the highest place of all, Every tongue confess that you are Lord of all, Lord of all.

And we belong to you,
we love your name,
the name above all other names
and Your glory is upon us now
as we worship you,
King of Kings.

You are glorious.

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now exalted to the highest place of all,
Every tongue confess that you are Lord of all.

Lord of all.

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious Father,

You provide all that we need for life and salvation. Calm our restless hearts, free us from the love of wealth, and teach us to trust in your care; through Jesus Christ, our treasure and our peace, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PSALM 131

My heart is not proud, Lord,
my eyes are not haughty;
I do not concern myself with great matters
or things too wonderful for me.
But I have calmed and quietened myself,
I am like a weaned child with its mother;
like a weaned child I am content.
Israel, put your hope in the Lord
both now and for evermore.

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

BIBLE READING

Proverbs 30:7-9 – Seeking neither poverty nor riches

'Two things I ask of you, Lord; do not refuse me before I die: keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, "Who is the Lord?" Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonour the name of my God.

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

1 Timothy 6:6-10 – Godliness with contentment is great gain

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

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Thanks be to God.

Matthew 6:25-33 – Seeking first the kingdom, not earthly worries

Before the reading
Glory be to You, O LORD.

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? 'And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

After the reading
This is the gospel of the LORD.
Praise be to You, O Christ.

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 there 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

YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL

You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek,
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool,
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name,
You are my all in all.
When I fall down You pick me up,
When I am dry You fill my cup,
You are my all in all.

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MESSAGE

At this point you may wish to watch the Sermon.

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CONFESSION OF SINS

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.

MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone, but in the costly wounds of love at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame, but in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest Treasure, wellspring of my soul. I will trust in Him, no other. My soul is satisfied in Him alone. As summer flowers we fade and die, fame, youth and beauty hurry by: but life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light. But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest Treasure, wellspring of my soul. I will trust in Him, no other. My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness; my value fixed – my ransom paid at the cross.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God,

All we have comes from you, and in you we have more than enough.

Receive these gifts as signs of our trust and thankfulness,
and use them to share your love, your peace,
and your daily bread with all who hunger and thirst for life in Christ.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Our Lord encourages us never to give up in prayer. With faith in God, and in his justice, let us pray for the church, the world and all in need.

Heavenly Father: thank you for accepting our prayers for Jesus' sake, and for always being more ready to listen to us than we are to pray to you. Forgive our lack of discipline and trust, and every day turn us to you in prayer for ourselves and for others. Lord, in your justice and mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all people, and especially for those who suffer wrong at the hands of others. Correct the world's wrongs so that the starving are fed and the poor are housed. Give integrity and success to all who work for justice and peace, including all judges and magistrates, all lawyers and jurors. When we pray to you for peace, reveal our own aggression, and when we pray to you for justice, convict us of our own greed. Lord, in your justice and mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the church around the world, its pastors and people. Defend and strengthen those in danger and on their own. Direct all pastors and teachers in the right use of your word. When we come to you for blessing, move us to love and obey your law, and when we speak to others of your love, warm our cold hearts so that we too radiate your love. Lord, in your justice and mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those with whom we share our lives, and for all who need your comforting presence. Ease the load of those who carry heavy burdens. Heal the sick, and sustain the dying with true faith in Christ. When we cry to you for help, turn us toward others in need, and when we help others, make our own dependency clear.

Lord, in your justice and mercy: hear our prayer.

Bless the families, students, and staff at all our Grace Places. Today we pray specially for GLPS Students William in Prep, Annabelle in Year 1, Rebecca, Reuben & Aria in Year 2, Clarisse, Sophie & Oscar in Year 3, Evelyn in Year 4, Chiara, Katherine & Cadence in Year 5, Laken-Rose & Owen in Year 6 and staff members David B & Melissa J. Please provide for all their needs and guide them into your truth and love. Lord, in your justice and mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, in your longsuffering and patient mercy, hear our prayers for faith and justice, solely for the sake of your Son, 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 TO SHARE

May the Lord quiet your soul like a child at rest.

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May Christ be your treasure and your joy.

May Christ be your treasure and your joy.

May the Spirit keep your heart content in every circumstance.

May the Spirit keep your heart content in every circumstance. Amen.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father.

There is no shadow of turning with Thee;

Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;

As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I Have needed Thy hand hath provided.

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their course above, Join with all nature in manifold witness, To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I Have needed Thy hand hath provided.

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Pardon for sins and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I Have needed Thy hand hath provided.

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

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