

**5pm Zoom Service  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020  
18<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**

**We meet in the name of God who is (+) Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

*We join in our opening hymn*

*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NC5FfEavPM4>*

*The Priest will introduce the service and leads us into our prayers of confession.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought  
and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through  
our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our  
sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive  
us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of  
life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*We are reminded of God's forgiveness*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, (+)  
pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all  
goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

*We hear a version of the Gloria as we give thanks to God – we listen – Missa  
solemnis: Gloria in excelsis Deo - Beethoven*

***Collect of the day***

God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth  
and to trust in your love,  
that we may live each day  
with confidence in the salvation which is given  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Isaiah 25:1-9**

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you  
have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you  
have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a  
city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify  
you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to  
the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the  
rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was  
like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you

subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Philippians 4:1-9**

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We listen to a song Alabaster Box - Hallelujah as we prepare to hear a reading from the Gospel. We stand at the end to listen to the Gospel.*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Matthew 22:1-14**

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the

wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

This is the Gospel of our Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ**

*We are seated as we listen to a Sermon, after which there will be a time of silence for private reflection.*

*Prayers of Intercession*

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the God

Loving God, we pray for the good estate of your Church;  
guide and govern us by your good Spirit,  
that all who profess and call themselves Christians  
may be led into the way of truth,  
and hold the faith in unity of spirit,  
in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life.  
We pray especially for Bishop's Sarah and Pete,  
and for all who guide us at this time.  
Lord in your mercy

**Hear our Prayer**

O God, the creator and preserver of all,  
we pray for people in every kind of need;  
make your ways known on earth,  
your saving health among all nation.  
We pray for all facing injustice and persecution;  
For those affected by natural disasters  
and all who live with the impact of the pandemic.  
May you wisdom help and guide us  
Lord in your mercy

**Hear our Prayer**

God of Wisdom,  
we lift to you the needs of this nation  
for those who have lost life or livelihood

for all who are uncertain, angry or afraid.  
For those making decision about our futures  
and for all who work to support and care for us  
Lord in your mercy

**Hear our Prayer**

We commend to your nurturing goodness  
all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed,  
in mind, body or estate;  
comfort and relieve them in their need,  
give them patience in their sufferings,  
and may they come to a time of hopefulness.

We pray for those who seek you healing and comfort at this time  
including Michael, Stephen, Tiffany, Edgerton, Yvonne, John, Rute,  
Patience, Ron, Evelyn, Linda, John, Josephine, John, Cecilia and Ruth.

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our Prayer**

We remember those who have gone before us  
in the peace of Christ,  
and we give you praise for all your faithful ones,  
with whom we rejoice in the communion of saints  
We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversary  
fall at this time including Jean Brindley, Rita Blackmar and Anthony  
Taylor

Rest Eternal Grant unto them O Lord

**And let light perpetual shine upon them**

May they rest in peace

**And rise in glory**

So in this moment of stillness we lift our own petitions to God.....

Holy God we offer you all our prayers, both spoken and in the silence of  
our hearts as we pray in the words Christ saying.

**Our Father,  
who art in heaven hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine  
is the Kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen**

*We sing our final hymn What a Friend we have in Jesus.*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread,  
make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the  
blessing of God the (+) Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you  
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**