



THE SUNDAY SHEET  
THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (BIBLE SUNDAY)  
24<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the Parish Eucharist.  
An induction loop is provided. To use, please turn your hearing aid to T.*

*Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks*

ENTRANCE HYMN

Thanks to God whose word was spoken  
in the deed that made the earth.  
His the voice that called a nation,  
his the fires that tried her worth.  
God has spoken:  
praise him for his open word.

Thanks to God whose word was written  
in the Bible's sacred page,  
record of the revelation  
showing God to every age.  
God has spoken:  
praise him for his open word.

Thanks to God whose word is answered  
by the Spirit's voice within.  
Here we drink of joy unmeasured,  
life redeemed from death and sin.  
God has spoken:  
praise him for his open word.

*R. T. Brooks 1918-1985*

*Tune: St Helen*

## THE COLLECT

Blessed Lord,  
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:  
help us so to hear them,  
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them  
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,  
we may embrace and for ever hold fast  
the hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## 2 TIMOTHY 3.14 - 4.5

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

For the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire,  
let us thine influence prove;  
source of the old prophetic fire,  
fountain of life and love.

Come, Holy Ghost, for, moved by thee,  
thy prophets wrote and spoke:  
unlock the truth, thyself the key,  
unseal the sacred book.

*Charles Wesley 1707-1788*  
*Tune: Nun Danket All (Grafenburg)*

### JOHN 5. 36B-47

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said:

The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent. 'You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## OFFERTORY HYMN

O Christ the Word incarnate,  
O wisdom from on high,  
O truth unchanged, unchanging,  
O light of our dark sky,  
we praise thee for the radiance  
that from the hallowed page,  
a lantern to our footsteps  
shines on from age to age.

The Church from her dear Master  
received the gift divine,  
and still that light she lifteth  
o'er all the earth to shine;  
it is the precious treasury  
where gems of truth are stored;  
it is the heaven-drawn picture  
of Christ, the living Word.

O make thy Church, dear Saviour,  
a lamp of burnished gold,  
to bear before the nations  
thy true light, as of old;  
O teach thy wandering pilgrims  
by this their path to trace,  
till, clouds and darkness ended,  
they see thee face to face.

*William Walsham How 1823-1867*

*Tune: Ellacombe*

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord God,  
you have opened to us the scriptures:  
grant that in the breaking of this bread  
we may recognise the Word made flesh,  
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## HYMN AT THE END OF COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, hear us;  
help us while we sing;  
breathe into the music  
of the praise we bring.

Holy Spirit, teach us  
through the words we read;  
bring to life the Bible  
with the light we need.

Holy Spirit, give us  
each a lively mind;  
make us more like Jesus,  
gracious, pure and kind.

*William Henry Parker 1845-1929*  
*Tune: Glenfinlas*

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the word of his kingdom:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## FINAL HYMN

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;  
past put behind us, for the future take us,  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

*Timothy Dudley-Smith b.1926*  
*Tune: Lord of the years*

*CCL No: 961722*

## TODAY'S READINGS

### ISAIAH 55. I-II

Through the prophet, God assures the people of his steadfast love towards them. He will make an everlasting covenant with them and, through his word, his purposes will be fulfilled.

### 2 TIMOTHY 3. 14 - 4. 5

Timothy is urged to continue in the faith in which he has been brought up, using the scriptures for his foundation. He is bidden to endure suffering patiently, and faithfully to carry out his ministry as an evangelist.

### JOHN 5. 36B-47

The Jews do not believe in Jesus, but Jesus tells them that the very works he does are proof that the Father has sent him. He chides them for studying the scriptures and believing in Moses, and yet failing to see that Moses and the scriptures both pointed to Christ.

## NOTICES

**Covid 19** Please use the hand sanitiser, complete the Track & Trace form, and please continue wear a face covering when coming to church. Some changes are being made as restrictions ease but please take care to keep one another safe.

**Service Booklets.** Please do take this reading sheet away with you after the service but please leave the service booklet on your seat. The booklets are quarantined until the following Sunday. Thank you!

**Prayers.** Please continue to pray for the current situation with Covid 19 and for

all those who suffer especially the anxious. Please pray too for the recovery and reconstruction of the Church both now and when this crisis is over. Pray for the renewal and growth of the Church in this place.

**Timely Reminder** that the clocks go back one hour next Saturday night, 30<sup>th</sup> October!

**Mount Road Cemetery AGM.** This short meeting will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am in the Parish Church Vestry.

**All Saints Day** will be celebrated on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Services at the usual times.

**All Souls Day** is on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and there will be a Requiem Eucharist at the Cathedral at 7pm that day. If you would like any departed loved ones remembered by name please add names to the list. Thank you.

**Remembrance Sunday** falls on 14<sup>th</sup> November this year. Services as follows: 8.30am Said Eucharist at the Parish Church; 10am Remembrance Service at the Cathedral with procession down to the War Memorial; 3.30pm Requiem Eucharist at the Cathedral.

**Collection.** We do not go around with collection plates at the Offertory but there are plates at the back for your donations. If you are a regular worshipper here please consider giving by Gift Direct, a simple and easy way to give to

the work of the Church. Details can be found on the Church in Wales website: [www.churchinwales.org.uk](http://www.churchinwales.org.uk) Thank you!

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### **25<sup>th</sup> Monday – Lewis Bayley**

9am Morning Prayer

12noon Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

6pm Evening Prayer

### **26<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Alfred, King**

9am Morning Prayer

6pm Evening Prayer

7pm Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

### **27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Feria**

9am Morning Prayer

10.30am Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

6pm Evening Prayer

### **28<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Simon & Jude, Apostles**

9am Morning Prayer

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*

6pm Evening Prayer

### **29<sup>th</sup> Friday – Feria**

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*)

6pm Evening Prayer

### **30<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Richard Hooker, Priest & Teacher of the Faith**

9am Morning Prayer

6pm Evening Prayer

### **31<sup>st</sup> Sunday – ALL SAINTS**

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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