



## The Sunday Sheet *for* Trinity 8 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the **Parish Eucharist**  
An induction loop is provided.*

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

### Entrance Hymn

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works thy hand has made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art.  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art.*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart;  
When I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim: my God, how great thou art.

*Stuart K. Hine 1899-1989  
Tune: How great thou art*

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

Grace and peace be with you  
**and keep you in the love of Christ.**

*The Priest gives an introduction to the Eucharist and calls the people to penitence.*

When our hearts are with the fading treasures of this world:  
Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

When our minds forget to keep us watching and waiting for your presence among us:  
Christ, have mercy: **Christ, have mercy.**

When our spirits are afraid and our faith is shaken with doubt and anxiety:  
Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you and set you free from sin,  
and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

Glory in the highest to the God of heaven!  
Peace to all your people through the earth be given:  
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring,  
Singing alleluias to our heavenly King.  
Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son:  
With the Holy Spirit, you are Lord alone!

Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,  
Show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.  
Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy one,  
Seated now and reigning from your Father's throne:  
Lord and God, we praise you; highest heaven adores:  
In the Father's glory, all the praise be yours!

*Tune: Rachie*

## The Collect

Let us pray:

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,  
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern  
both our hearts and bodies  
in the ways of your laws  
and the works of your commandments;  
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please Sit*

## Genesis 15. 1-6

A reading from the book Genesis.

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' <sup>4</sup> But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' <sup>5</sup> He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' <sup>6</sup> And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

For the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel

*Please Stand*

*Alleluia, alleluia,  
give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
give praise to his name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth:  
He is the King of creation.

*Alleluia, alleluia,  
give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
give praise to his name.*

*Donald Fishel b.1950  
Tune: Alleluia No. 1*

## **Luke 12. 32-40**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples,

<sup>32</sup> 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup> 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup> be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup> Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup> If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup> 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Homily**

*Please Sit*

## The Affirmation of Faith

*Please Stand*

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family,  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## The Intercessions

*Please Sit*

*Appropriate responses may be used, for example*

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

Lord, hear us:  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The Intercession ends with a suitable collect said by the priest, or the following*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## The Peace

*Please Stand*

Jesus said: Do not be afraid, it is your Father's pleasure to give you the kingdom. Let us hear Jesus saying to us: Do not be afraid.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of the Lord's peace.

## Offertory Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:  
be thou mine inheritance now and always;  
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;  
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Irish 8<sup>th</sup> Century*  
*Tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne*  
*Tune: Slane*

## The Thanksgiving

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God.  
**We take this bread,**  
**we take this wine**  
**to follow Christ's example**  
**and obey his command.**

## **Prayer over the Gifts**

Lord, Jesus Christ,  
according to your command we bring these  
gifts of bread and wine:  
grant that your precious body and blood  
may keep our souls and bodies in your eternal life;  
who are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

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

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy  
at all times and in all places to give you thanks, holy Father,  
all-powerful and everliving God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is our great high priest  
who has freed us from our sins  
and has made us a royal priesthood  
serving you, our God and Father.

And so with the hosts of angels and all the company of heaven  
we proclaim the glory of your name  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy, holy,  
Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.  
And we lift our hearts before you  
as a token of our love.  
Holy, holy, holy, holy.**

**Gracious Father, gracious Father,  
Blessed is the one who comes to us  
in your name.  
And we lift our hearts before you  
as we give you thanks and praise.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

All praise and thanks to you, true and living God,  
Creator of all things, Giver of life.  
You formed us in your own image;  
but we have marred that image and fall short of your glory.  
We give you thanks  
that you sent your Son to share our life;  
you gave him up to death that the world might be saved,  
and you raised him from the dead  
that we might live in him and he in us.

Sanctify with your Spirit this bread and wine, your gifts to us,  
that they may be for us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread,  
and when he had given thanks  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying,

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you:  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper he took the cup,  
and when he had given thanks  
he gave it to them, saying,

Drink from this, all of you,  
for this is my blood of the new covenant  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins:  
do this as often as you drink it  
in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come in glory.**

As he has commanded us, Father,  
we remember Jesus Christ, your Son.  
Proclaiming his victorious death,  
rejoicing in his resurrection  
and waiting for him to come in glory  
we bring to you this bread, this cup.

Accept our sacrifice of thanks and praise.  
Restore and revive your people,  
renew us and all for whom we pray  
with your grace and heavenly blessing,  
and at the last receive us with all your saints  
into that unending joy promised by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Silence is kept*

*Please Sit*

Let us pray with confidence to the Father:

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Communion

*The priest breaks the bread*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body  
for we all share in one bread.**

*We sing*

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.**

## The Invitation to Holy Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*The sacrament is administered with these words:*

The body of Christ. **Amen.**      The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

*All those who are baptised (Christened) are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Baptised (Christened) children are welcome to receive holy communion at the discretion of their parents.*

*If you are not receiving you are welcome to come forward for a blessing but please bring this leaflet with you as a signal to the priest.*

## Hymn at the end of Communion

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I'm found;  
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed.

*John Newton 1725-1807*

*Tune: Amazing Grace*

*Silence is kept*

### Post Communion Prayer

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:  
**his love is everlasting.**

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body  
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

### The Blessing

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

May God guide you towards the eternal kingdom whose treasures are love, joy and peace. And the blessing of God almighty, ✠ 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.**

### Final Hymn

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 for ever 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 courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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*Morning by morning new mercies I see;*  
*all I have needed thy hand hath provided,*  
*great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

*Thomas O. Chisholm 1866-1960*  
*Tune: Faithfulness*

## Notices

**Refreshments.** Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

**Praying for Growth.** Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer:

*God of Mission,  
Who alone brings growth to your  
Church,  
Send your Holy Spirit to give  
Vision to our planning,  
Wisdom to our actions,  
Joy to our worship,  
And power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers,  
In spiritual commitment to you,  
And in service to our local community,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**The Community Fridge** takes place every Sunday from 4-5pm at the Parish Church.

**Sunday Sheet.** Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

**Longboat.** Have you ever wanted to drift down a canal on a summers day? Dave Bradley's narrowboat is at Tattenhall Marina, near Chester, for the next few weeks and he is offering free mini cruises. Lifts possible. Speak to Dave if interested or contact him on 07876732922 / [davebradley80@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:davebradley80@hotmail.co.uk)

**Pilgrimage.** A group of people from the Mission Area will be on pilgrimage to Walsingham in Norfolk this coming

week. Please pray for them as they will be praying for all our churches and people.

**Church rotas.** The Parish Church Sunday rotas for September to December will be prepared soon. These are for readers, intercessors and welcomers. If there is anyone that one would like to join the rotas who is not already on the list, please speak to Janet Cameron.

## The Week Ahead

### 11<sup>th</sup> Monday – Clare of Assisi

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Holy Eucharist  
5pm Evening Prayer

### 12<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Ann Griffiths

9am Morning Prayer  
5pm Evening Prayer  
6pm Holy Eucharist

### 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Jeremy Taylor

9am Morning Prayer  
10.30am Holy Eucharist  
5pm Evening Prayer

### 14<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Maximilian Kolbe

9am Morning Prayer  
10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*  
10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish Church*  
5pm Evening Prayer

### 15<sup>th</sup> Friday – Mary, Mother of Our Lord

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Offeren (Welsh Eucharist)  
5pm Evening Prayer

## **16<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Feria**

9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

## **17<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Trinity 9**

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Evening Prayer

## **Today's Readings**

### **Genesis 15. 1-6**

Abram's faith on God's promises to him falters as he remains childless. God renews his promise that Abram's descendants will be as many as the stars in the sky and Abram's faith is restored.

### **Psalm 33. 12-21**

### **Hebrews 11. 1-3, 8-16**

The writer shows how faith in God's promises has been at the heart of the lives of Abraham and his descendants and how that faith and conviction have been rewarded by God.

### **Luke 12. 32-40**

Jesus tells his disciples to put their treasure and their faith in the kingdom of God. He exhorts them to wait expectantly with the assurance of things hoped for and the conviction of things not seen.



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