

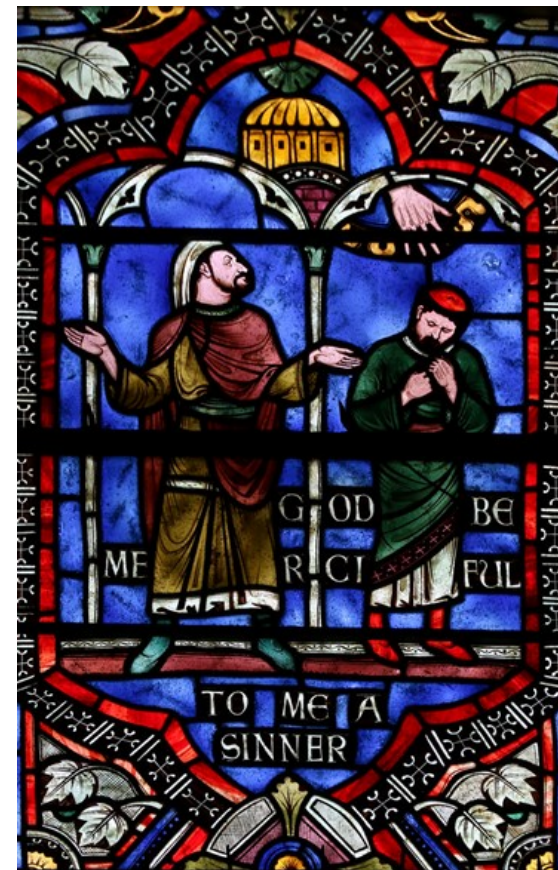


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# 8.00am Morning Eucharist

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WELCOME, COMMUNITY NEWS, GREETING

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PSALM OF THE DAY *(responsive)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

God of life and love

**We rejoice in your abundant gifts**

God of all peoples and all places

**We celebrate your generosity and grace**

God of the earth and the heavens

**We praise you for your provision**

Let our voices mingle with those of the earth;

**may our hearts join the beat of her joy,**

for God is with us:

**the Source of all being surrounds and upholds us.**

**Christ Jesus walks beside and before us.**

**the Spirit moves within and between us.**

God of life and love

**We bless your holy name!**

HYMN TiS 179 Praise with joy the world's Creator

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(inspired by Joel 2:23-32)*

Pour out your Spirit upon us as we gather, God of our salvation:

so your grace might strengthen us for service;

so your peace might calm our troubled souls;

so your hope might mend our broken hearts.

You are in our midst, Spirit of wholeness.

You enable us to cling to faith,

when hope runs through our fingers like sand.

You open the gateways of our hearts morning and evening,

that we might sing our praises with all creation.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*(Thom Shuman)*

THE PRAYERS OF WHO WE ARE *(inspired by Luke 18: 9-14)*

So many voices trumpet their greatness,

so many images boast of their beauty,

flaunt their power, squander their wealth;

and all too many of them do so in your name, Jesus.

And here we are in a world which is daily broken

by the foolish arrogance of men and women just like us.

And so we pray for the healing of humility to flood every corner of our world:

wherever there is exploitation,

**and God-imagined people are dehumanised;**

*Communion is shared*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, God, for nourishing us at this table.

May our lives be rooted in your risen life and bear fruit in your world.

**Amen.**

WORDS OF MISSION AND BLESSING *(candles are extinguished)*

Go into the world, renewed in hope and restored by God's vision.

Go into the world to share God's grace and mercy.

Go into the world and proclaim the Good News of what God has done for you.

May the blessings of God be with you this day and forever more.

**Amen.**

God's peace be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The sign of the peace is exchanged*

*Everyone is invited to stay for a light continental breakfast following this service.*

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, we give thanks for the visions and dreams that bloom within your people. Bless these gifts as they are used in and through the ministry and mission of this church, and in our local and global community.

**Amen.**

#### COMMUNION

#### THE INVITATION

#### THE NARRATIVE OF THE LAST SUPPER

#### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Open up your hearts.

**We open them to God.**

Let us give thanks and praise.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you all thanks and praise,  
O God, for you are the source of life;  
You called a people to be your own  
and you filled them with the plenty of your house.  
In Jesus the Christ, our Companion on the Way,  
you showed the way of humility and service.  
When he was crucified by those who would exalt themselves,  
you raised him from the dead.  
Through him, you pour out your spirit like rain on all flesh  
and your people bring forth a great harvest  
of visions, prophecies, and songs of praise.  
And so, with our hearts lifted high,  
we offer you thanks and praise at all times through Jesus Christ  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

#### PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Come to us, Spirit of our Lord of love,  
and let the bread and wine before us bear your life to our life,  
nourish us with Christ's vision of hope,  
and unite us in one body of peace.

**Amen.**

wherever there is neglect,  
**and the needs of the poorest are ignored;**  
wherever there is disdain,  
**and the sacred value of creatures and earth are denied;**  
wherever there is violence,  
**and the gifts of difference and dignity are rejected.**

Wherever people are tempted to think of themselves as better than others, more worthy, more deserving, more important to you,  
**may your humility break in and challenge us,**  
**reminding us of our brokenness and need,**  
**and teaching us to serve and to love everyone**  
**with the grace and humility you show toward us.**

*(John van de Laar)*

*A silence is kept.*

Lead us, O God, in another way, the way of true security, true wealth,  
the way of Christ the servant, the way of humility and simplicity. **Amen.**

BIBLE READINGS: Joel 2: 23-32  
Luke 18: 9-14

#### REFLECTION

#### PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

This is my prayer  
**This is our prayer**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,**  
**Hallowed be your name,**  
**Your kingdom come,**  
**Your will be done,**  
**On earth as it is 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 forever. Amen.**

HYMN TIS 538 Feed us now, Bread of Life

*During the singing of this hymn our offering will be received.  
Please remain standing for the dedication prayer.*