

23rd August 2026

Welcome

The Lord be with you
and also with you

Beloved in Christ,
We come together to offer to Almighty
God Our worship and praise and
thanksgiving,
To confess our sins and to receive God's
forgiveness, To hear his holy word proclaimed, To
bring before him our needs and the needs of the
world, And to pray that in the power of his Spirit We
may serve him and know the greatness of his love.

Hymn: 634 - Love Divine

Notices -

The minister says

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

Silence is kept.

**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;
by what we have done
and by what we have failed to do.
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.**

The absolution.

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 you in eternal life
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth will proclaim your praise
O God make speed to save us
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever.

Amen.

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Canticle: Venite Said

O come let us sing out to the Lord; let us shout in triumph to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his face with thanksgiving and cry out to him joyfully in psalms. For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth and the peaks of the mountains are his also. The sea is his and he made it, his hands moulded dry land. Come let us worship and bow down and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is the Lord our God; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Today if only you would hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the wilderness. When your forbears tested me, put me to the proof though they had seen my works. Forty years long I loathed that generation and said, It is a people who err in their hearts, for they do not know my ways; Of whom I swore in my wrath, They shall not enter my rest. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Proverbs 4:1-13

Psalm: Psalm 32

- 1 Happy the one whose transgression is forgiven, ♦
and whose sin is covered.

- 2 Happy the one to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, ♦
and in whose spirit there is no guile.
- 3 For I held my tongue; ♦
my bones wasted away
through my groaning all the day long.
- 4 Your hand was heavy upon me day and night; ♦
my moisture was dried up like the drought in summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you ♦
and my iniquity I did not hide.
- 6 I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,' ♦
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore let all the faithful make their prayers to you
in time of trouble; ♦
in the great water flood, it shall not reach them.
- 8 You are a place for me to hide in;
you preserve me from trouble; ♦
you surround me with songs of deliverance.
- 9 'I will instruct you and teach you

in the way that you should go; ♦

I will guide you with my eye.

10 'Be not like horse and mule which have no understanding; ♦

whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle,

or else they will not stay near you.'

11 Great tribulations remain for the wicked, ♦

but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; ♦

shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

2nd Reading: James 1:5–8

Let's affirm our faith in the words of the Apostle's creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;**

he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the
dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: 222 - Here is Love

The Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**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.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord save the King,
and grant his government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness
and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people
and bless those whom you have chosen.

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
and let your glory be over all the earth.

O God, make clean our hearts within us
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

Collects:

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire, or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask save through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Offertory Hymn: T&P 11 - Before the Throne of God

Sermon:

Hymn: T&P 57 - I stand Amazed

Benediction

Dismissal