

2025 - 'Following Jesus in Reconciliation' Second Sunday of Trinity - 29th June 2025

Please Note! This service is also broadcast live on YouTube at 10:00am. Visit: www.youtube.com/@stlawrencewithstpaullongridge/streams

Welcome and introduction

Please follow the service in the green coloured booklet

First Hymn

O Jesus, I have promised

To serve thee to the end; Be thou for ever near me, My Master and my Friend: I shall not fear the battle If thou art by my side, Nor wander from the pathway If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking In accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, The murmers of self-will; O speak to reassure me, To hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised To all who follow thee, That where thou art in glory There shall thy servant be; And, Jesus, I have promised To serve thee to the end: O give me grace to follow, My Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks, And in them plant mine own; My hope to follow duly Is in thy strength alone: O guide me, call me, draw me, Uphold me to the end; And then in heaven receive me, My Saviour and my Friend.

John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)

Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, **Amen.**

First Reading

Galatians 5.1: 13-25

¹ It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

¹³ You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

¹⁴ For the entire law is fulfilled in

keeping this one command: "Love your neighbour as yourself."

¹⁵ If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

¹⁶ So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

¹⁹ The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions

²¹ and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and selfcontrol. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

Awake awake: fling off the night! For God has sent his glorious light; And we who live in Christ's new day Must works of darkness put away.

Awake and rise, with love renewed, And with the Spirit's power endued. The light of life in us must glow, And fruits of truth and goodness show.

Let in the light; all sin expose
To Christ, whose life no darkness knows.
Before his cross for guidance kneel;
His light will judge and, judging, heal.

Awake, and rise up from the dead, And Christ his light on you will shed. Its power will wrong desires destroy, And your whole nature fill with joy.

Then sing for joy, and use each day; Give thanks for everything alway. Lift up your hearts; with one accord Praise God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

JR Peacey (1896-1971)

Gospel Reading

Luke 9: 51 - 62

Alleluia, Alleluia,

The word of the Lord endures for ever. The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.

Alleluia!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you O Lord.

taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; ⁵³ but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" ⁵⁵ But Jesus turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then he and his disciples went to another village.

⁵⁷ As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

⁵⁸ Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

⁵⁹ He said to another man, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

⁶⁰ Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

⁶¹ Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

⁶² Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn during preparation of the Table

We have a gospel to proclaim,

Good news for all throughout the earth; The gospel of a Saviour's name: We sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem, Not in a royal house or hall, But in a stable dark and dim, The Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary, Hated by those he came to save; In lonely suffering on the cross: For all he loved, his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn, Empty the tomb, for he was free; He broke the power of death and hell That we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand, By all creation glorified. He sends his Spirit on his Church To live for him, the Lamb who died. Now we rejoice to name him King: Jesus is Lord of all the earth. This gospel-message we proclaim: We sing his glory, tell his worth.

Words: Eddie Joseph Burns (b.1938)

We do not pass a collection plate during the Offertory, but if you would like to make a donation to support the work, ministry and maintenance of the Parish, there is provision at the back of church for donations in cash, weekly envelopes, by bank card or mobile phone using the reader at the back of the church. Thank you.

The choir will sing during the distribution of Communion

Final Hymn

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim

till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, let us follow where the Captain trod.

our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. *Lift high the cross,*

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee:

Lift high the cross,

Let every race and every language tell Of him who saves our souls from death and hell.

Lift high the cross,

From farthest regions let them homage bring,

And on his Cross adore their Saviour King. Lift high the Cross ... Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease

Beneath the shadow of its healing peace. Lift high the Cross ...

For thy blest cross which doth for all atone creation's praises rise before thy throne: Lift high the cross,

Organ voluntary :

Nun Danket alla Gott
Sigfrid Karg Elert (1877—1933)

Morning Prayer

Join Revd Mike in the St Paul's Church chancel area for 15 minutes simple morning prayer and a bible thought on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9am (Do bring a bible if you can)

Discarded Blister Pack Collection at St. Paul's Church

As you will have probably noticed, at present there is no 'official' collection box in the entrance to St. Paul's church. So! In the meantime while we await the replacement box would you please refrain from leaving discarded blister packs until a new box is in place.

Thank you

Welcome Cafe

Meet weekly on Wednesdays during the school term in St. Paul's Church Centenary Room 3:00– 5:00pm

Those Departed - Rest In Peace

Janet Hodge Jacqueline Kilgariff

Longridge Show – 5th July.

More volunteers are needed to run Aunt Daisy's tea tent at the show.

Everything is provided and you get a complimentary ticket to the Show.

Our church funds also benefit.

If you can help for a couple of hours – 10-12, 12-2 or 2-4 please add your name to the list at the back of church.

"Craft Cafe"

The next meeting is tomorrow



Monday 30th June 2025 1:30 - 3.30pm in

St. Pauls Church Centenary room

Mothers Union

The monthly meeting of the Mothers Union takes place this **Tuesday, 1st July 7:30 – 8:30pm** in the Centenary Rooms of St. Paul's Church,

If anyone is feeling a little bit isolated, why not pop into the Old Station cafe on Friday mornings at 11:00am, where Diane, Isabel and Muriel would be very pleased to see you.



Next Sunday's Services - July 6th 2025 - 'Trinity 3'

10:00am 'Service of Holy Communion' including Children's Church at St. Paul's Church/Live stream

6.30pm 'Service of Evensong' at St. Lawrence's Church, Longridge