

2025 - 'Following Jesus in Reconciliation' Seventh Sunday of Trinity - 3rd August 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

To God be the glory! great things he has done;

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son;

Who yielded his life an atonement for sin.

And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice:
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son
And give him the glory; great things

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

To every believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

he has done!

Great things He has taught us, great things he has done,

And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

But purer, and higher, and greater will be

Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord

Fanny Crosby, (Frances Jane Van Alstyne (1820-1915)

Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen.

First Reading

Ephesians 3: 14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual 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 victory is won; great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Irish 8th Century Tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931) Versified by Eleanor henrietta hull (1860-1935)

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:13-21

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.

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" ¹⁵ Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

¹⁸ "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."'

²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'
²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn during preparation of the Table

Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us,
You are one with us, Mary's son;
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,
Pouring Your love and goodness in:
Jesus, our love for You we sing Living Lord!

Lord Jesus Christ, now and every day Teach us how to pray, Son of God; You have commanded us to do This in remembrance, Lord, of You: Into our lives Your power breaks through-Living Lord! Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us, Born as one of us, Mary's son; Led out to die in Calvary, Risen from death to set us free: Living Lord Jesus, help us see You are Lord!

Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to You, Live my life for You, Son of God; All Your commands I know are true, Your many gifts will make me new: Into my life Your power breaks through -Living Lord!

Patrick Appleford (1925-2018)

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 organ will play during the distribution of Communion

Final Hymn

Father Lord of all creation,

Ground of Being, Life and Love;
Height and depth beyond description
Only life in you can prove:
You are mortal life's dependence:
Thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
Yours is ev'ry hour's existence,
Sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the Man for Others, We, your people, make our prayer: Help us love – as sisters, brothers -All whose burdens we can share. Where your name binds us together You, Lord Christ, will surely be; Where no selfishness can sever There your love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning
Wind and flame of Pentecost,
Fire our hearts afresh with yearning
To regain what we have lost.
May your love unite our action,
Never more to speak alone:
God, in us abolish faction,
God, through us your love make known.

Stewart Cross (1928-1989)

Organ voluntary :
Prelude in D Major BWV 532

Morning Prayer

Join us 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)

Church Bereavement Support Group

Next Meeting tomorrow
Monday 4th August 2025
(Meetings are held on the
First Monday of the Month)
Time 7:30 - 9:00pm
St Paul's Church, Church Street
Longridge , PR3 3WA
Refreshments provided

Those Departed - Rest In Peace

Heather Annie Clegg Fred Parkinson



First Anniversary of Bereavement

Norman Nelson Christopher Pye Frank Walker June Jones Michael Brunton John Smith



First Anniversary of Baptism

Reggie Smith



Invitation from Karen Au-Choir Director

August is "Open Choir Month", and anyone wanting to experience singing in the choir can just come and sit up in the stalls?

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.

Brew Time

Every Wednesday from 8.50am-11am in St Paul's Centenary Room.

Serving tea, coffee, toast, crumpets and cakes!

There's always a warm and friendly welcome.

Do join us we would love to see you.

Kath & Jacqui, Bev & John

Next Sunday's Services - August 10th 2025 - 'Trinity 8' (Celebration of the 'Feast Day of St. Lawrence' - 10th August)

10:00am 'All Together Service' at St. Paul's Church/Live stream

6.30pm 'Service of Holy Communion at St. Lawrence's Church