



St Lawrence  
with St Paul  
Longridge

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## 2025 - 'Following Jesus in Reconciliation' Fifteenth Sunday of Trinity - 28th September 2025

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### Welcome and introduction

*Please follow the service in the green coloured booklet*

### First Hymn

**Ye holy angels bright,**  
Who wait at God's right hand,  
Or through the realms of light  
Fly at your Lord's command,  
Assist our song,  
For else the theme  
Too high doth seem  
For mortal tongue.

Ye blessed souls at rest,  
Who ran this earthly race,  
And now, from sin released,  
Behold the Saviour's face,  
His praises sound,  
As in his light  
With sweet delight  
Ye do abound.

Ye saints who toil below,  
Adore your heavenly King,  
And onward as ye go  
Some joyful anthem sing;  
Take what he gives  
And praise him still,  
Through good and ill,  
Who ever lives.

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My soul, bear thou thy part,  
Triumph in God above,  
And with a well-tuned heart  
Sing thou the songs of love.  
Let all thy days  
Till life shall end,  
Whate'er he send,  
Be filled with praise.

*Words: R. Baxter (1615 - 91)  
and J H Gurney (1802 - 62)*

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### Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.**

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### First Reading

#### 1 Timothy 6: 6—19

<sup>6</sup>But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup>For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup>But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

<sup>9</sup>Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup>For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. <sup>11</sup>But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. <sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup>In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup>to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup>who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might forever. Amen. <sup>17</sup>Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup>Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup>In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

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## Gradual Hymn

**Blest are the pure in heart,**  
For they shall see our God;  
The secret of the Lord is theirs,  
Their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord, who left the heavens  
Our life and peace to bring,  
To dwell in lowliness with men,  
Their pattern and their King;

Still to the lowly soul  
He doth himself impart,  
And for his dwelling and his throne  
Chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek;  
May ours this blessing be;  
Give us a pure and lowly heart,  
A temple meet for thee

*J Keble (1792-1866) & Others*

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## Gospel Reading

**Luke 16 : 19—31**

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.

<sup>19</sup>“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. <sup>20</sup>At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores <sup>21</sup>and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

<sup>22</sup>“The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried.

<sup>23</sup>In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup>So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'

<sup>25</sup>"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'

<sup>27</sup>"He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'

<sup>29</sup>"Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.'

<sup>30</sup>" 'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

<sup>31</sup>"He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

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### Hymn during preparation of the Table

**Lord of all hopefulness,**

Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever childlike,  
no cares could destroy,  
Be there at our waking,  
and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts,  
Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness,  
Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled  
at the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours,  
and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts,  
Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness,  
Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome,  
your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing,  
and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts,  
Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness,  
Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment,  
whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping,  
and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts,  
Lord, at the end of the day

*Joyce Placzec, (Jan Struther) (1901-1953)*

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*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.*

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**The Choir will sing during the distribution of Communion**

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## Final Hymn

### O for a thousand tongues to sing

My dear Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of his grace!

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
He sets the prisoner free:  
His blood can make the foulest clean;  
His blood availed for me

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
New life the dead receive,  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;  
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim  
And spread through all the earth abroad  
The honours of thy name.

*Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

*Organ voluntary :*

Bach A minor Prelude

### "Craft Cafe"

The next meeting is  
tomorrow

**Monday 29th September**

**1:30 - 3.30pm** in

St. Pauls Church Centenary room



### **Those Departed - Rest In Peace**

Raymond (Taffy) Nelson  
Ruth Davis Ian Simpson  
Eva Wilkinson  
Yvonne Ball Denise Lupton



### **Just a Reminder**

Tonight's 6:30pm Evening Service is at  
St. Wilfrid's Church  
'Season of Creation Ecumenical Service'

### **Please note!**

**There is no evening service at  
St. Lawrence's church**

### **Church Flower Group Meeting**

Will take place this coming  
Tuesday 30th September '25  
In St. Paul's Church 7:30-8:30pm  
When we will be Looking forwards our  
Harvest Celebration.  
Everyone is welcome

### **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)

### **HYMNATHON!**

Please join Karen and the choir on 26th  
October at 2pm to sing and hear your  
favourite hymns - don't forget to submit  
your hymn requests and donations  
(please see the board at the  
West doors at St. Paul's church).



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### **Next Sunday's Services - October 5th 2025 - 'Trinity 16'**

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

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