



St Lawrence
with St Paul
Longridge

2025 - 'Following Jesus in Reconciliation' ***Eighteenth Sunday of Trinity - 19th October 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

All my hope on God is founded;

He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray his trust;
What with care and toil he buildeth,
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power
Hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower

God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore,
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty Giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
At his hand;
Joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
One and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.

*Words: Robert Bridges Music:
Herbert Howells*

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase
in us your gift of faith that, forsaking
what lies behind and reaching out to
that which is before, we may run the
way of your commandments and win
the crown of everlasting joy;
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

2 Timothy 3: 14—4.5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you
have learned and have become
convinced of, because you know those
from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how
from infancy you have known the Holy
Scriptures, which are able to make you
wise for salvation through faith in
Christ Jesus.

¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

^{4,1} In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge:

² Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³ For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴ They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵ But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

Be thou my guardian and my guide,
And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
And hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
Around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
Thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin,
And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
And save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail.

Isaac. Williams (1802 - 65)

Gospel Reading

Luke 18 : 1—8

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.

¹ Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ² He said: “In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³ And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, ‘Grant me justice against my adversary.’

⁴ “For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, ‘Even though I don’t fear God or care what people think, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually come and attack me!’”

⁶ And the Lord said, ⁷ “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸ I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?”

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn during preparation of the Table

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)

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 to scan the QR code on the notice in the pew, or 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

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou has been Thou for ever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness;
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is Thy faithfulness ...

Pardon for sin, and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is Thy faithfulness

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)

Music William M. Runyan (1870-1957)

Organ voluntary :

Mendelssohn Prelude in C minor

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)

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

Welcome Cafe

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

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.

Those Departed - Rest In Peace

Derek Helm Eva Wilkinson
Ruth Davis Ian Simpson
Raymond (Taffy) Nelson



Hymnathon -

Sunday 26th October - 2pm - 4pm.

Please do support Karen Au and the choir by attending the Hymnathon on Sunday 26th October. It will not only give us the opportunity to listen to and to sing the hymns that have been chosen but also enjoy an organ/hymn related quiz and enjoy refreshments.

There will also be a raffle. Admission £3

Proceeds are to help with the maintenance of our wonderful Father Willis Organ

All Souls Service-2nd November

There are now sheets at the back of both churches for names to be added of our Loved one's that we no longer see, and will be read out during the service.



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Next Sunday's Services - October 26th 2025 - 'Last of Trinity'

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

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