

Following Jesus on Mission

Second Sunday before Lent - 8th February 2026

All Together Service



St Lawrence
with St Paul
Longridge

The Welcome & Introduction

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.
and also with you.

Let us pray.

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful people,
and kindle in us the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Let us worship God together

Opening songs

Bless the Lord o my soul

Chorus;

*Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies
before me
Let me be singing when the evening
comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on
singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

There is a redeemer

There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One
Chorus
*Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done*

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names
Precious Lamb of God Messiah O for sinners slain

When I stand in glory I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place

Saying Sorry

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer,
this is your world and we are your people:
come among us and save us.
We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation;
Lord, be merciful:
forgive us our sin.

We have seen the ill-treatment of others
and have not gone to their aid;

Lord, be merciful:
forgive us our sin.

We have condoned evil and dishonesty
and failed to strive for justice;

Lord, be merciful:
forgive us our sin.

We have heard the good news of
Christ,
but have failed to share it with others;

Lord, be merciful:
forgive us our sin.

We have not loved you with all our
heart,
nor our neighbours as ourselves;

Lord, be merciful:
forgive us our sin.

Knowing God's Forgiveness

May God who loved the world so
much that he sent his Son to be our
Saviour, forgive us our sins and
make us holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect

Almighty God, you have created the
heavens and the earth and made us in
your own image: teach us to discern
your hand in all your works and your
likeness in all your children; through
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who
with you and the Holy Spirit reigns
supreme over all things, now and for
ever, **Amen.**

Bible Reading

Matthew 6:25-34

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry
about your life, what you will eat or
drink; or about your body, what you will
wear. Is not life more than food, and
the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at
the birds of the air; they do not sow or
reap or store away in barns, and yet
your heavenly Father feeds them. Are
you not much more valuable than they?

²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a
single hour to your life?

²⁸ "And why do you worry about
clothes? See how the flowers of the
field grow. They do not labor or spin.

²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon
in all his splendor was dressed like one
of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes
the grass of the field, which is here
today and tomorrow is thrown into the
fire, will he not much more clothe you
—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry,

saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What
shall we drink?' or 'What shall we
wear?' ³² For the pagans run after all
these things, and your heavenly Father
knows that you need them. ³³ But seek
first his kingdom and his righteousness,

and all these things will be given to you
as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about
tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry
about itself. Each day has enough
trouble of its own.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Action Song

Cast your burdens unto Jesus

Chorus

Higher Higher

Higher higher higher

Higher higher lift up Jesus higher

Higher higher

Higher higher higher

Higher higher lift up Jesus higher

(REPEAT)

Cast your burdens onto Jesus

He cares for you

Cast your burdens onto Jesus

He cares for you

Lower lower

Lower lower lower

Lower lower stamp Satan lower

Lower lower

Lower lower lower

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Talk

Prayer and Ministry time

Father, we thank you for your presence in our lives, family, in our church, and in our community.

We thank you for what you are doing among us.

We thank you for your touch upon our lives.

We thank you because you are intentional about us — you know us, and you care deeply for us.

Help us to feel your warm embrace.

Fill our hearts with your love.

Help us to trust you and your plans for us, even in difficult and uncertain moments.

Remind us that Jesus is enough for us.

We ask for your peace and comfort over every troubled heart, and for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one and to all who struggle this season.

Be near to them, Lord.

Today, we speak the name of Jesus into our lives.

We speak Jesus into our church. **Jesus**

We speak Jesus over Longridge. **Jesus**

We speak Jesus over this nation. **Jesus**

We speak Jesus over every troubled

heart, **Jesus**

We speak Jesus over every infirmity, **Jesus**

We Speak Jesus over every home. **Jesus**

May Jesus be glorified in all things.

We declare the joy of the Lord over us, today is blessed, and our week is blessed. In Jesus' name,

Amen.

Ministry time

Worship group sings **Faithful one and God I look to you**

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Closing song: The Blessing

The Lord bless you

And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus

Amen
Amen
Amen

May His favour
Be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

May His presence
Go before you
And behind you
And beside you
All around you
And within you
He is with you
He is with you

In the morning
In the evening
In your coming
And your going
In your weeping
And rejoicing
He is for you
He is for you

He is for you
He is for you

Closing Blessing

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you and give
you peace;

and the blessing of God almighty, the
Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be
with you all, those you love and those
you have Prayed for, **Amen.**

*Please do join us after the service in the
Centenary Room for refreshments and
fellowship.*

*We no longer pass a collection plate ,
But if you would like to support the
ministry and maintenance of our parish
it can be made with a bank card or
mobile phone using the reader at the
back of the church, by
leaving a donation on
the plates by the
entrance to church, or
by scanning this QR
Code: Thank you*



BREAKFAST IS SERVED

Saturday 28th February.

This will run from
9am – 11am

– no need to book just
come along and enjoy a
full English or a bacon or sausage bap



Proceeds to our General Church Fund

Next Sunday's Services - February 15th 2026 - Sunday Next before Lent

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