

2026 - 'Following Jesus on Mission'

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity - 23rd August 2026

Please join us for our service live on YouTube at 10:00am.

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St Lawrence
with St Paul
Longridge

The Welcome & introduction

*Please follow the order of service
from the Green booklet.*

Opening Hymn

Christ is our Corner-stone,
On him alone we build;
With his true saints alone
The courts of heaven are filled:
On his great love
Our hopes we place
Of present grace
And joys above

O then with hymns of praise
These hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise
The Three in One to sing;
And thus proclaim
In joyful song,
Both loud and long,
That glorious name.

Here, gracious God, do thou
For evermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow,
And mark each suppliant sigh;
In copious shower
On all who pray
Each holy day
Thy blessings pour.

Here may we gain from heaven
The grace which we implore;
And may that grace, once given,
Be with us evermore,
Until that day
When all the blest
To endless rest
Are called away.

John Chandler (1806-1876)

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve; pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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

Proverbs 3 : 1—12

- ¹ My son, do not forget my teaching,
but keep my commands in your heart,
² for they will prolong your life many
years and bring you peace and
prosperity.
³ Let love and faithfulness never leave
you; bind them round your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.
⁴ Then you will win favour and a good
name in the sight of God and man.
⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart
and lean not on your own
understanding;
⁶ in all your ways submit to him, and
he will make your paths straight.
⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD and shun evil.
⁸ This will bring health to your body
and nourishment to your bones.

⁹ Honour the LORD with your wealth,
with the firstfruits of all your crops;
¹⁰ then your barns will be filled to
overflowing, and your vats will brim
over with new wine.
¹¹ My son, do not despise the LORD's
discipline, and do not resent his rebuke,
¹² because the LORD disciplines those
he loves, as a father the son he
delights in.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

At the name of Jesus

Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now:
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
When from death he passed:

Name him, Christians, name him,
With love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder
And with bated breath:
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.

Surely, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With his Father's glory,
With his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

Caroline M Noel (1817 - 77)

Gospel Reading

John 14: 1—14

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 John

Glory to you O Lord.

¹ 'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You believe in God; believe also in me.
² My Father's house has many rooms; if
that were not so, would I have told you
that I am going there to prepare a
place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare
a place for you, I will come back and
take you to be with me that you also
may be where I am. ⁴ You know the
way to the place where I am going.'
⁵ Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't
know where you are going, so how can
we know the way?'
⁶ Jesus answered, 'I am the way and
the truth and the life. No one comes to
the Father except through me. ⁷ If you
really know me, you will know my
Father as well. From now on, you do
know him and have seen him.'
⁸ Philip said, 'Lord, show us the Father
and that will be enough for us.'

⁹ Jesus answered: 'Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

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

Hymn during preparation of the Table

We pray thee, heavenly Father,

To hear us in thy love,
And pour upon thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Eucharist to thee.

Be thou our guide and helper,
O Jesus Christ, we pray;
So may we well approach thee,
If thou wilt be the Way:
Thou, very Truth, hast promised
To help us in our strife,
Food of the weary pilgrim,
Eternal source of life.

And thou, Creator Spirit,
Look on us, we are thine;
Renew in us thy graces,
Upon our darkness shine;
That, with thy benediction
Upon our souls outpoured,
We may receive in gladness
The Body of the Lord.

OTrinity of Persons!

O Unity most high!
On thee alone relying
Thy servants would draw nigh:
Unworthy in our weakness,
On thee our hope is stayed,
And blessed by thy forgiveness
We will not be afraid.

Vincent S. S. Coles (1845-1929)

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

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
Hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
Power and majesty concealing
By your humble birth:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
Victim crucified!
Death is through the cross defeated,
Sinners justified:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Priestly King, enthroned for ever
High in heaven above!
Sin and death and hell shall never
Stifle hymns of love:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

So, our hearts and voices raising
Through the ages long,
Ceaselessly upon you gazing,
This shall be our song:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Michael Saward (1932-2015)

Organ Voluntary;-

Prelude in G major BWV 541 by
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) German

Morning Prayer

Please 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)

'Revive Us Again, O Lord'

Three Days of Prayer

Wednesdays

26th Aug, 2nd & 9th September

Please see the separate Flyer for details

'Come to one. Better still, come to all three'

Mission Weekend Events

Friday 11th, Sat 12th & Sun 13th Sept.

Who will YOU! bring along to Come
and see to Quiz, Laugh and Sing.

Pick up the **'Come and See flyer'**
for more details

St. Lawrence 'Voices'

If you are aged 8-12 years, love to sing,
alongside others, make friends, have fun
& play musical games, then come to St.
Lawrence's church on Sundays during
School Summer Holidays
(26th July-30th Aug. 4:30-5:15pm).

For further details contact Karen Au on
kaorganist@gmail.com

For further details see page 21 of the
July/Aug LOG.

Brew Time

**Will continue through the Summer &
School Holidays**

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.

Next Sunday's Services—August 30th 2026 - Trinity 13

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