



Holy Trinity Geneva

**Choral Eucharist following the rite of the
Book of Common Prayer
The Twenty First Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 9th November 2025 at 18h00**



We warmly welcome you to our service of Choral Eucharist. The hymns can be found in the hymn book.

The Mass setting is Stanford in C and F.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN – NEH 364 God is love: let heav'n adore him

Please stand as the choir and priest process in

LORD'S PRAYER *(said by the priest alone)*

We remain standing

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE WELCOME

We sit

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT

Let us pray,

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PSALM 40

We stand to sing

1 I waited patiently ' for the ' Lord : and he inclined unto ' me and ' heard my ' calling.

2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the ' mire and ' clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and ' ordered my ' goings.

3 And he hath put a new ' song in my ' mouth : even a ' thanksgiving ' unto our ' God.

4 Many shall ' see it and ' fear : and shall ' put their ' trust in the ' Lord.

5 Blessed is the man that hath set his ' hope in the ' Lord : and turned not unto the proud, and to such as ' go a'bout with ' lies.

6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which ' are to ' usward : and yet there is no man that ' ordereth them ' unto ' thee.

7 If I should de'clare them and ' speak of them : they should be more than I am ' able to ' ex'press.

8 Sacrifice and meat-offering thou ' wouldest ' not : but mine ' ears hast thou ' opened.

9 Burnt-offerings and sacrifice for sin hast thou ' not re'quired : then ' said I, ' Lo I ' come.

10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will ' O my ' God : I am content to do it, yea thy law is with'in my ' heart.

11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great ' con'gregation : lo I will not refrain my lips O ' Lord and ' that thou ' knowest.

12 I have not hid thy righteousness with'in my ' heart : my talk hath been of thy ' truth and of ' thy sal'vation.

13 I have not kept back thy loving ' mercy and ' truth : from the ' great ' congregation.

14 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from ' me O ' Lord : let thy loving-kindness and thy ' truth ' always pre'serve me.

15 For innumerable troubles are come about me, my sins have taken such hold upon me, that I am not able to ' look ' up : yea they are more in number than the hairs on my head, and my ' heart hath ' fail-ed ' me.

16 O Lord let it be thy ' pleasure to de'live me : make ' haste O ' Lord to ' help me.

17 Let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul ' to destroy it : let them be driven backward and put to re'buke that ' wish me ' evil.

18 Let them be desolate and re'warded with ' shame : that say unto me, Fie up'on thee ' fie up'on thee.

19 Let all those that seek thee be joyful and ' glad in ' thee : and let such as love thy salvation say ' always The ' Lord be ' praised.

20 As for me I am ' poor and ' needy : but the ' Lord ' careth ' for me.

21 Thou art my helper ' and re'deemer : make no long ' tarrying ' O my ' God.

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 6.10-20

We sit

The Epistle is taken from the 6th chapter of St Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, beginning at the 10th verse:

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Here endeth the Epistle.

GOSPEL READING

We stand

The holy gospel is written in the 4th chapter of the gospel according to Saint John, beginning at the 46th verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

John 4.46-end

⁴⁶Then he came again to Cana in Galilee where he had changed the water into wine. Now there was a royal official whose son lay ill in Capernaum. ⁴⁷When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." ⁴⁹The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my little boy dies." ⁵⁰Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started on his way. ⁵¹As he was going down, his slaves met him and told him that his child was alive. ⁵²So he asked them the hour when he began to recover, and they said to him, "Yesterday at one in the afternoon the fever left him." ⁵³The father realized that this was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he himself believed, along with his whole household. ⁵⁴Now this was the second sign that Jesus did after coming from Judea to Galilee.

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

HOMILY - Elizabeth Brown - Reader

We sit

NICENE CREED

We stand to sing

I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

INTERCESSIONS

We kneel or sit. Brief biddings may be given.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy divine majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord: and grant, that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian kings, princes and governors; and specially thy servant Charles, our King, that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: and grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, priests and deacons, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy sacraments: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate.
Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort and make your humble confession to almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

CONFESSION

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Matthew 11.28

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3. 16

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1.15

Hear also what Saint John saith:

If anyone sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 2. 1,2

PREFACE

We stand

The Lord be with you

And with thy spirit

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing,

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee,
O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not

worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood:

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread;
And, when he had given thanks, he brake it,
And gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat;
This is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the cup;
And, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying, Drink ye all of this;
For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you and for many,
for the remission of sins: do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not

weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

We invite you to come and to receive Communion receiving the host from the priest and, if you wish, the wine from the chalice bearer. Please consume the host before you receive the wine and do not dip it in the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms. If you are accustomed to receiving Communion in any church, you are welcome to do so with us today.

Draw near with faith. Receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you and his Blood which he shed for you. Remember that he died for you and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

ANTHEM – J.S.Bach – Jesu, joy of man's desiring

Jesus, joy of man's desiring

Holy wisdom, love most bright

Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring

Soar to uncreated light

Word of God, our flesh that fashioned

With the fire of life impassioned

Striving still to truth unknown

Soaring, dying round Thy throne Jesus, joy of man's desiring

JS Bach (1685-1730)

BWV 147

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We kneel or sit to pray

Our Father, which art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done,

in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive them that 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and ever-living God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only are the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

NOTICES

OFFERTORY HYMN – NEH 486 We have a gospel to proclaim

We stand to sing

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THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick who are known to us, and those caring for them, especially for Professor Thomas Adeyanju, Revd Keith & Claire Kimber, Mark Faber, Christopher Creffield, Canon Ken David, Chris Jayesingha, Lynda Ammann, Beat Ammann, Ann Elter, Diane D'Arcis, Jean Mayer, Beverley Vasiljevic, Mary Brice, Jann Coppen, Jonathan Bezzola, Sybil Sheppard, Chris Talbot, Joan Tye, Annemarie Hester, André Vivas, Timothy Creffield, Edith Tanner, Livia Varju, Brenda Hand, Valerie Offord, Phil Thomas, Diana Mason, Robin Bailey, Judi Cianci, Ruth Wyler, Germain, Joyce McNulty, Trevor Thomas, Diana Dickinson, Denise Muhlethaler, Silvio Morson, Anna Porraccin, Valerie Slessor, Frances Boo, Jenny Syrathev, Lorensz Ranasinghe.

Among the faithful departed we pray at this time for David Duncan. May he rest in peace and rise in glory with the saints.

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