

Choral Eucharist
Commemoration of the faithful departed
ALL SOULS
Sunday 2nd November 2025, 18h00



Welcome to Holy Trinity Church. This evening we remember our departed brothers and sisters, many by name and others in memory and all who have gone before us. We also are mindful that we are all sinners and all in need of God's grace. As we celebrate the Eucharist, we enter into the mystery of Christ's triumph over the darkness of death and rejoice that God redeems us in Christ. We pray tonight that all may experience God's mercy and redemption.

The setting for the Ordinary of the Eucharist is the Requiem by Maurice Duruflé.

THE GATHERING

We stand

WELCOME

Preparation

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

HYMN

NEH 459

1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; he leadeth me The quiet waters by.	3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill: For thou art with me, and thy rod And staff me comfort still.
2 My soul he doth restore again, And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for his own name's sake.	4 My table thou hast furnishèd In presence of my foes; My head thou dost with oil anoint And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be.

*Crimond
J Irvine (1836-1887)
Scottish Psalter 1650*

Collect for Purity

We sit

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Invitation to Confession

We offer the Eucharist tonight for the intention of the repose of all the departed, asking that in Christ they may find a place of refreshing light and peace. As we prepare to celebrate the sacrifice of Christ, let us in a moment of silence call to mind our sins.

Confession

Lord God, we have sinned against you: we have done what is evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INTROIT AND KYRIES

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux
perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion, et tibi
reddetur

votum in Jerusalem,

exaudi orationem meam, ad

te omnis caro veniet.

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux
perpetua luceat eis.

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Kyrie eleison

*Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let
light perpetual shine upon them.*

Thou art praised, O God, in Sion

and unto thee shall the

vow be performed in Jerusalem.

*Thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall
all flesh come.*

*Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

COLLECT

God, our creator and redeemer, by your power Christ conquered death and returned to you in glory. May all your people who have gone before us in faith share his victory and enjoy the vision of your glory for ever. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Lamentations 3:17-26, 31-33

My soul is bereft of peace;

I have forgotten what happiness is;

so I say, 'Gone is my glory,

and all that I had hoped for from the LORD.'

The thought of my affliction and my homelessness
is wormwood and gall!
My soul continually thinks of it
and is bowed down within me.
But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul,
'therefore I will hope in him.'
The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.
For the Lord will not
reject for ever.
Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

We stand

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

I am the resurrection and the life says the Lord. He who lives and believes
in me shall never die.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL

John 6:37-40

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John

Glory to you, O Lord

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that

all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

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

HOMILY - Canon Daphne Green

We sit

After a pause for reflection, everyone stands and the Priest leads the
Commemoration of the Departed

Priest I heard a voice saying, "Write this! Happy are the dead who die in the faith of Christ. Henceforth, says the Spirit, they may rest from their labours, for they take with them the record of their deeds." *Revelation 14.13*

All **Give rest, O Christ,**
to your servants with the saints:
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Priest You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all:
and we are mortal, formed from the dust of the earth,
and unto earth shall we return.
For so you ordained when you created us, saying:
'Dust you are and to dust you shall return.'
All of us go down to the dust, yet weeping at the grave,
we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All **Give rest, O Christ,**
to your servants with the saints:
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Priest Dear friends, in loving remembrance
we commemorate today the souls of the departed.
In memory of those who have been close to us in this life,
we come to the altar with thanksgiving,
to bring the names of loved ones and to light candles.
May they be tokens of our love and prayer.

You are invited to come forward and to light a candle, as a symbol of prayer and thanksgiving. Please sit or kneel when you return to your place.

During this time, the names of all those whom we are remembering this evening will be read out and quiet, reflective music will be played.

*When everyone has returned to their places, a moment's quiet is kept.
Everyone is invited to join in saying the following prayer:*

**All Eternal Lord God,
 you hold all souls in life:
 shed forth, we pray,
 upon all your people in paradise and on earth,
 the bright beams of your light and love;
 and grant that we,
 following the good example of those
 who have loved and served you here on earth,
 may at last enter with them into the fullness of your eternal joy;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

We remain seated or kneel for our prayers of intercessions

Let us pray to the Lord, who has conquered death.

Jesus, bread from heaven, you satisfy the hungry with good things: grant us a share with all the faithful departed in the banquet of your kingdom. Hear us risen Lord.

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, the light of the world, you gave the man born blind the gift of sight: open the eye of faith and bring us from darkness to your eternal light and glory. Hear us risen Lord.

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, Son of the living God, you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life: raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you. Hear us risen Lord.

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, crucified Saviour, in your dying you entrusted each to the other, Mary your mother and John your beloved disciple: sustain and comfort all who mourn. Hear us risen Lord.

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, our way and truth and life, you drew your disciple Thomas from doubt to faith: reveal the resurrection faith to the doubting and the lost. Hear us risen Lord.

Our resurrection and our life.

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church, living and departed in the Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection of his eternal kingdom. Especially we pray today for all those whose lives we remember and give thanks for this night.

May they rest in peace and rise in Christ's glory. Merciful Father.
Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus
Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We stand

Priest Jesus says:
Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give you.
Not as the world gives do I give you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled,
neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Priest Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We sit or kneel while the altar is prepared and the choir sing the

OFFERTORIUM

*O Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae,
libera animas defunctorum de poenis
infernus, et de profundo lacu :
O Domine Jesu Christ, Rex gloriae,
libera animas defunctorum de ore leonis,
ne absorbeat tartarus : O Domine Jesu
Christ, Rex gloriae, ne cadant in obscurum.
Hostias et preces tibi Domine laudis
offerrimus :
tu suscipe pro animabus illis,
quarum hodie memoriam facimus:
fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad
vitam. Quam olim Abrahae promisisti et
semini eius. Hostias et preces tibi Domine
laudis offerimus, tu suscipe pro animabus
illis quarum hodie memoriam facimus;
fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad
vitam. Quam olim Abrahae promisisti, et
semini eius.*

*O Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory,
deliver the souls of the departed
from the pains of darkness and
from the depths of obscurity: O
Lord
Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver
the souls of the departed from the
lion's mouth, let no harm touch
them: O Lord Jesus Christ King of
glory do not leave them in darkness.
Our prayers and sacrifice of praise
we offer: receive these souls whom
today we commemorate: make
them, Lord, to pass through death
to life. As of old you promised
Abraham and his seed.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

We sit

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

SANCTUS

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus Dominus
Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et
terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis!

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and
might. Heaven and earth are full of your
glory: Hosanna in the highest.*

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of the Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who in the same night that he was betrayed took bread and gave you thanks; he broke 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.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them saying: Drink this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we

celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praise into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

**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.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body because we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis sempiternam requiem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant them rest

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant them rest

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant them eternal rest.

LUX AETERNA

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine :
cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es.
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine: et lux
Perpetua luceat eis.

*Let eternal light illuminate them, Lord
with your saints for ever, because you are
gracious. Rest eternal grant to them, Lord:
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

GIVING OF COMMUNION

We invite you to come and to receive Communion at the transept, 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 with thanksgiving.

During Communion the choir sing

PIE JESU

Pie Jesu Domine,
dona eis requiem.

Dona eis requiem sempiternam.

*Sweet Lord Jesus
grant them rest.*

Grant them eternal rest.

LIBERA ME

Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in
die illa tremenda,
quando coeli movendi sunt et terra,
dum veneris judicare seculum per ignem.
Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo,
dum discussio venerit,
atque ventura ira.
Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et
miseriae,
dies magna et amara valde.
Dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem.
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux
perpetua luceat eis

*Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death,
in that tremendous day, when heaven
and earth shall be shaken:
when thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.
I am in fear and trembling until the sifting be
done
and the wrath is come.
O that day of wrath, of calamity and mercy,
a great day and exceedingly bitter,
when thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, may our sacrifice bring peace and forgiveness to our brothers and sisters who have died. Bring the new life given to them in baptism to the fullness of eternal joy. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

HYMN

NEH 331

We stand

1 Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

3 I need thy presence every passing hour;
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Eventide

WH Monk (1823-1889)

HF Lyte (1793-1847)

The Blessing

In his great love, the God of all consolation gave mankind the gift of life. May he bless you with faith in the resurrection of his Son, and the hope of rising to new life. **Amen.**

To us who are alive may he grant forgiveness, and to all who have died a place of light and peace. **Amen.**

As you believe that Jesus rose from the dead, so may you live with him for ever in joy. **Amen.**

And may almighty God bless you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

IN PARADISUM

We sit or kneel

In Paradisum deducant te Angeli
in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres,
et perducant te in civitatem sanctam
Jerusalem.

Chorus Angelorum te suscipiat,
et cum Lazaro quondam paupere
aeternam habeas requiem.

*May the Angels lead you into Paradise
may the Martyrs receive your coming
and bring you into the holy city
Jerusalem.*

*May the choir of Angels receive you,
and with
Lazarus, once poor, may you have
eternal rest.*

Postlude

We are glad that you have been able to attend this service this evening and we hope that you will join us for light refreshments in the hall after the service.

You are very welcome to join us at any of our services in the future.
If you need any further support in this time of bereavement, please
do get in touch with the Chaplain, Daphne Green chaplain@holytrinitygeneva.org

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