

# Holy Trinity Geneva

# The Third Sunday Before Advent Remembrance Sunday Eucharist 9<sup>TH</sup> November 2025 at 09h00



#### THE GATHERING & WELCOME

We stand

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you'. (John 15.12)

HYMN HON 198

1 For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord; For a just and equal sharing Of the things that earth affords. To a life of love in action Help us rise and pledge our word. 2 Lead us, Father, into freedom, From despair the world release; That, redeemed from war and hatred, Men may come and go in peace. Show us how through care and goodness Fear will die and hope increase.

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3 All that kills abundant living, Let it from the earth be banned; Pride of status, race or schooling, Dogmas keeping man from man. In our common quest for justice May we hallow life's brief span. 4 You Creator-God have written Your great Name on all mankind; For our growing in Your likeness Bring the life of Christ to mind; That, by our response and service Earth its destiny may find.

Alleluia Dulce Carmen F Kaan (1929-2009)

# Preparation

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

# Opening Prayer

May the risen Christ direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray. Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Collect for Purity

We say together
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.

#### PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

We sit or kneel
Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
The first commandment is this:
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength'.

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself'.

There is no other commandment greater than these,

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen, Lord have mercy.

#### Invitation

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

#### Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

#### **Absolution**

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

#### GLORIA

We stand

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### COLLECT

Let us pray.

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,

and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson Micah 4.1-5

We sit

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house

shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised up above the hills.

Peoples shall stream to it,

and many nations shall come and say:

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between many peoples,

and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more;

but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees,

and no one shall make them afraid;

for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

For all the peoples walk,

each in the name of its god,

but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God

for ever and ever.

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

#### Psalm 46

We remain seated to say the psalm antiphonally

- <sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
- 3 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
- <sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.
- <sup>6</sup> The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- <sup>7</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- <sup>8</sup> Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
- <sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.
- <sup>10</sup> 'Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.'
- <sup>11</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

# The Epistle

Romans 8, 31-end

<sup>31</sup>What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup>Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor

height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

# Gospel Reading

We stand

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

# Sermon - Canon Daphne Green

We sit

#### Affirmation of Faith

We stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

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

# Prayers of Intercession

We sit or kneel Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

#### Conclusion

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# The Peace and the Offertory

We stand

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We offer one another a sign of peace.

#### Reflective music

The table is prepared.

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We stand
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 saying:

### Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

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

We sit or kneel
As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for 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

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

### 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.

#### THE CONCLUSION

We sit

### Post Communion Prayers

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

#### **Notices**

HYMN HON 547

We stand

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1 O god, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

2 Beneath the shadow of thy throne, thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, will bear us all away; we fade and vanish, as a dream dies at the opining day.

6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

> St Anne I Watts (1674-1748) W Croft (1678-1727)

# Blessing

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest, to the Church,
the King, the Commonwealth and all people,
unity, peace and concord,
and to us and all God's servants,
life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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### 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 Syratchev, 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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