

28 June 2026 – Peter the Apostle

GATHERING SONG
211 All I Once Held Dear

ENTRANCE HYMN
199 For All The Saints

Stand

GREETING

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

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Brothers and sisters,
let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves
to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

You came to reconcile us to the Father,
Have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
Have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

You heal the wounds of sin and division:
Have mercy, Christ, have mercy.
Have mercy, Christ, have mercy.

You intercede for us at the right hand of the Father:
Have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
Have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the Highest,
and on earth peace,
on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise You, we bless You,
we adore You, we glorify You.
We give you thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, Heavenly King,
O God, Almighty Father.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the Highest,
and on earth peace,
on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy, mercy on us;
have mercy, mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer, receive our prayer;
receive our prayer, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy, mercy on us.
have mercy, mercy on us.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the Highest,
and on earth peace,
on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**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, glory of God, glory of God the Father.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the Highest,
and on earth peace,
on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**Amen, Amen.
Amen, Amen.**

COLLECT

Almighty God,
who inspired your apostle Saint Peter
to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:
build up your Church upon this rock,
that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth
and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

FIRST READING:

Acts 12:1-11

'The Lord Has Sent His Angel and Rescued Me'

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover, while Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He

tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Psalm 125

**Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
that stands for ever.**

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
As the hills stand about Jerusalem,
so the Lord stands round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.

**Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
that stands for ever.**

The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway
over the land allotted to the righteous,
lest the righteous turn their hands to evil.

**Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
that stands for ever.**

Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,
and to those who are true of heart.
Those who turn aside to crooked ways
the Lord shall take away with the evildoers;
but let there be peace upon Israel.

**Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
that stands for ever.**

SECOND READING:

1 Peter 2:19-end

By His Wounds You Have Been Healed

For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

'He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

This is the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Stand

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 16:13-19

Stand

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

'Who Do People Say That I Am'?

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, O Christ

HOMILY

Sit

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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.**

INTERCESSIONS	<i>Stand</i>
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Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS:
Gloria, Gloria, In Excelsis Deo**

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.
Gloria, gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

During the next hymn a collection will be taken. If you are a UK taxpayer and can gift aid your donation, please place it in a yellow gift aid envelope (available in the pews) and complete all the details requested.

You can also donate using the card machine at the back if you'd prefer.

Anyone who uses the Parish Giving Scheme can use a token to indicate their giving.

OFFERTORY HYMN:

By All Your Saints Still Striving

**By all your saints still striving,
for all Your saints at rest,
Your holy Name, O Jesus
for ever more be blessed.
You rose, our King victorious,
that they might bear the crown
And ever shine in splendour,
reflected from Your throne.**

**We praise, You Lord, for Peter,
so eager and so bold:
Thrice falling, yet repentant,
thrice charged to feed your fold.
Lord, make Your pastors faithful
to guard your flock from harm
And hold them when they waver
with Your almighty arm.**

**Then let us praise the Father
and worship God the Son,
And sing to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One,
'Til all the ransomed number
who stand before the throne
Ascribe all power and glory
and praise to God alone.**

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

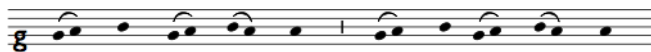
Pray, my brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept
the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

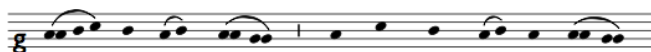
May the prayer of the Apostles, O Lord,
accompany the sacrificial gift that we present
to your name for consecration,
and may their intercession make us devoted
to you in celebration of the sacrifice.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



The Lord be with you **R.** and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. **R.** We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Priest continues singing the Preface, ending with:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and God of might:
heaven and earth, heaven and earth
are full of your glory, your power and might.**

**Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest heavens.**

**Blessed, blessed is he who comes,
blessed, blessed is he who comes;
blessed is he, blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest heavens.**

The Priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer
Great is the mystery of faith:

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come; Lord Jesus, come.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna,
hosanna in the highest heavens.**

The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer
At the end all sing



A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

**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**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

**Jesus, Lamb of God and source of life:
Jesus, loving bearer of our sins:**

*Hear our prayer, have mercy;
Hear our prayer, have mercy;
give us your peace.*

**Jesus, Son of God and Son of Man:
Jesus, true redeemer of the world:**

**Jesus Christ, our Way, our Truth, our Life:
Jesus Christ, our living cornerstone:**

**Jesus, Lord of life and Lord of light:
Jesus, here in form of bread and wine:**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Please follow the guidance of the stewards as you come forward for the distribution of Communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, please bring your service sheet with you.

**COMMUNION HYMN:
10,000 Reasons**

Sit

**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.**

**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.**

**So 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.**

**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.**

**COMMUNION HYMN:
192 Living Lord**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Stand

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

NOTICES

Sit

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Stand

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

✠May almighty God bless you,
the Father,
and the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:
176 The Church's One Foundation**