

## Trinity 8 – Sunday 26 July 2026

### GATHERING SONG:

Father Let Your Kingdom Come

*Ha-Ile-lu, Ha-Ile-lu-jah,  
Father let Your kingdom come,  
Ha-Ile-lu, Ha-Ile-lu-jah,  
Father let Your kingdom come.*

May the works of my hands bring You joy.  
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### *Chorus*

May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.  
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### *Chorus*

You make all things new,  
You make all things new,  
in places we don't choose  
You make all things new,

### *Chorus*

### ENTRANCE HYMN

*Stand*

281 All My Hope On God Is Founded

### 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**

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| <b>GLORIA IN EXCELSIS</b> |
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**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.**

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| <b>COLLECT</b> |
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Almighty Lord and everlasting God,  
we beseech you to direct,  
sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies  
in the ways of your laws and the works of your  
commandments;  
that through your most mighty protection,  
both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen**

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| <b>FIRST READING:</b> |
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*Sit*

1 Kings 3:5-12

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you. 'And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people? '

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

This is the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God**

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| <b>RESPONSORIAL PSALM:</b> |
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Psalm 119

**Lord, how I love your law!**

My part, I have resolved, O Lord,  
is to obey your word.  
The law from your mouth means more to me  
than silver and gold.

**Lord, how I love your law!**

Let your love be ready to console me  
by your promise to your servant.

Let your love come and I shall live  
for your law is my delight.

**Lord, how I love your law!**

That is why I love your commands  
more than finest gold,  
why I rule my life by your precepts,  
and hate false ways.

**Lord, how I love your law!**

Your will is wonderful indeed;  
therefore I obey it.  
The unfolding of your word gives light  
and teaches the simple.

**Lord, how I love your law!**

**SECOND READING:**

*Sit*

Romans 8:26-end

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness;  
for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that  
very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.  
And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the  
mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the  
saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good  
for those who love God, who are called according to his  
purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also  
predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in  
order that he might be the firstborn within a large family.  
And those whom he predestined he also called; and  
those whom he called he also justified; and those whom  
he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If  
God is for us, who is against us? 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? Who will  
bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who  
justifies. 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. Who will separate  
us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or  
persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or  
sword? As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered. '

No, in all these things we are more than  
conquerors through him who loved us. For I am  
convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor  
rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor  
powers, 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 ACCLAMATION***Stand***Alleluia, alleluia!**

I call you friends, says the Lord,  
because I have made known to you  
everything I have learnt from my Father.

**Alleluia****GOSPEL:**

Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

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.**

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches. '

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. '

' The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

' Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

' Have you understood all this? 'They answered, 'Yes. 'And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old. '

The Gospel of the Lord:

**Praise to you, O Christ****HOMILY***Sit***NICENE CREED***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.**

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| <b>INTERCESSIONS</b> |
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| <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.**

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| <b>PEACE</b> |
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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

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| <b>PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS:<br/>The Kingdom Of God Is Justice And Peace</b> |
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**The Kingdom of God is justice and peace,  
And joy in the Holy Spirit.  
Come Lord and open in us,  
The gates of your Kingdom.**

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| <b>OFFERTORY HYMN:<br/>As Trees From Tiny Seeds Can Grow</b> |
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**As trees from tiny seeds can grow,  
as yeast expands the lifeless dough,  
as light unhampered shines around,  
so does God's gracious love abound.**

**As hidden treasure is reclaimed,  
we, God's new people, are renamed.  
For us the pearl, long sought, is found.  
Christ is our treasure sure and sound.**

**We are not promised weedless fields.  
Nor are we given equal yields.  
But God's true faithfulness shall stay,  
with us supporting all the way.**

**As coins, once lost, are found with joy,  
as Jesus loves each girl and boy,  
so we, now found by God, rejoice,  
lifting in praise one heart and voice.**

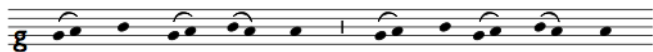
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| <b>OFFERTORY PRAYERS</b> |
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Pray, my brothers and sisters,  
that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

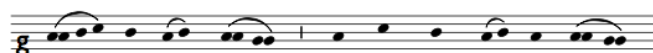
**May the Lord accept  
the sacrifice at your hands,  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

Be pleased, O Lord,  
to accept the offerings of your Church,  
for in your mercy you have given them to be offered  
and by your power you transform them  
into the mystery of our salvation.  
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 saying 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 say:*



**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:  
189 Alleluia, Sing To Jesus**

**COMMUNION HYMN:  
195 Soul Of My Saviour**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION***Stand*

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise  
be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your  
body be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever.  
**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:  
Sent Forth By God's Blessing**

**Sent forth by God's blessing,  
our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The supper ended.  
Oh, now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching,  
receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invited us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.**

**With praise and thanksgiving  
to God ever living,  
The tasks of our everyday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
in love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us,  
with Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living  
with praise and thanksgiving  
Give honour to Christ and His name that we bear.**