

Holy Trinity 10am Parish Eucharist

12th July 2026

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Our Six Focus Areas

Part 3: Discipleship

5pm Service today is Choral Evensong

VOLUNTARY

*During which the following prayer is shown
on the screens:*

O Lord,
Open our eyes to your Presence
Open our minds to your grace
Open our lips to your praises
Open our hearts to your love
Open our lives to your healing
And be found among us.
(David Adam)

THE GATHERING

Informal welcome

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, for the Years (HON 409)

1 Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

2 Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,

teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

3 Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

4 Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt you,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

5 Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us –
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

THE GREETING

President We meet in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President Please be seated.

The President introduces the service and theme.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

President **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

Deacon God has called us to follow Christ,
and has formed us into a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has called us
out of darkness into his marvellous light.
Let us confess the times when we have failed to heed this
call.

A time of silence and self-examination may be kept.

***All* 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.**

President 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.

***All* Amen.**

As forgiven people we stand to sing the Gloria.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

St. Helen's Service

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.
Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**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.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.
Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**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.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.
Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**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.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.**

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest.
Amen**

THE COLLECT

President Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BIBLE *Read by Ali Berkley*
Romans 8.1–11

8 Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

GRADUAL HYMN

We plough the fields, and scatter (NEH 262)

1 We plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain:

Refrain:
All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.

2 He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far,
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star.
The winds and waves obey him,
By him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children,
He gives our daily bread: [Refrain]

3 We thank thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good;
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
For all thy love imparts,

But what which thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts: [Refrain]

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 13.1–9, 18–23*

13 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ If you have ears, hear!”
¹⁸ “Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

Deacon The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

SERMON *Rev'd Patrick Taylor*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

President Let us stand to affirm our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The following response is used after each section

All Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

The prayers conclude with the following:

Intercessor Merciful Father,

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

President 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.

All **And also with you.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Alleluya, sing to Jesus (NEH 271)

1 Alleluya, sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluya, his the triumph,
His the victory alone:
Hark the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by his blood.

2 Alleluya, not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluya, he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluya, Bread of Angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluya, here the sinful
Flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluya, King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluya, born of Mary,
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

President Heavenly Father,
as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine,
bless also the gift of our hearts and minds
as we offer our lives in your service;
for Jesus Christ's sake.

All **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

St. Helen's Service

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
hosanna, hosanna in the highest**

President We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

All Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

President Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The President introduces the Lord's Prayer

All **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

The President breaks the consecrated bread

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

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

Invitation to Communion

The President invites the people to receive Holy Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

AGNUS DEI

St. Helen's Service

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world.
have mercy on us,
have mercy on us,
have mercy.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us,
have mercy on us,
have mercy.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace,
grant us peace,
grant us peace.**

*The President and people receive Communion or a blessing.
Please come to a communion station when indicated by a Warden.*

ANTHEM

Nunc dimittis from St Paul's Service Herbert Howells

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen :
thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared :
before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.*

Luke 2.29-32

If ye Love me Thomas Tallis

*If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
and he will give you another Comforter,*

*that he may bide with you for ever;
e'en the Spirit of truth.*

John 14

COMMUNION HYMN

Spirit of the Living God (HON 614; Iverson)

1 Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

2 Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on us.
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on us.
Melt us, mould us, Fill us, use us.
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on us.

Trinity Voices and Choir

**Look at the world
John Rutter**

*1 Look at the world
Everything all around us
Look at the world
And marvel every day
Look at the world
So many joys and wonders
So many miracles
Along our way*

*Praise to thee O Lord for all creation
Give us thankful hearts that we may see*

*All the gifts we share and every blessing
All things come of thee*

*2 Look at the earth
Bringing forth fruit and flowers
Look at the sky
The sunshine and the rain
Look at the hills
Look at the trees and mountains
Valley and flowing river
Field and plain [refrain]*

*3 Think of the spring
Think of the warmth of summer
Bringing the harvest
Before the winter's cold
Everything grows
Everything has a season
'Til it is gathered to the fathers fold [refrain]*

*4 Every good gift
All that we need and cherish
Comes from the Lord
In token of his love
We are his hands
Stewards of all his bounty
His is the earth and his the heavens above [refrain]*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Notices including banns

CHRISTENING WELCOME

President God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness

and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

All **Shine as a light in the world
to the Glory of God the Father**

President There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

All **We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

Please stand

THE BLESSING

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President Go forth into the world in peace;
Be of good courage;
Hold fast that which is good;
Render to no one evil for evil;
Strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
Help the afflicted; honour everyone;
Love and serve the Lord,
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

And Can it Be HON 32

Sagina

1 And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Amazing love! how can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

2 'Tis mystery all! the immortal dies:
who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.
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let angel minds inquire no more.

3 He left His Father's throne above
so free, so infinite his grace;
emptied himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race;
'tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me.
'tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me.

4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed thee.
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed thee.

5 No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
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and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

THE DISMISSAL

Please turn to face the West door at the back of the church

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY Toccata in F Major from Symphonie no. 5 – C M Widor