

Sunday, August 23, 2026

Holy Eucharist - 10 am Sunday

Processional Hymn - CP #466 *'How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord'*

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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.

Collect Prayer

Living God, you accept our stumbling faith, our misplaced answers, our false horizons, and through them build a way of peace: empower us to bind the wounds of the world and loose the debts of oppression, that all may confess the grace that is your work alone; through Jesus Christ, anointed for the world. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Isaiah 51:1-6; Psalm 138; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

The Gospel

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel is read.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

The Sermon

Affirmation of Faith

Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is One and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. This the first and greatest commandment. The second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution

Let us make our confession to God, knowing that we are children of God held in love and forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

We confess to you, our Lord and God, that we have failed to follow in the ways of Christ. We have not loved as we ought, we have said what should have been left unspoken, and have failed to act when called upon. Forgive us, renew us and heal us that we might serve you in love and peace.

Absolution.

The Peace

Offertory Hymn - CP #507 *'Blest be the Tie that Binds'*

Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

(Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 1)

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 our thanks and praise.**

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love ... Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying (singing):

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

Hosanna in the highest. (X2)

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. (X2)

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity...

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

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

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us 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. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

Give us this bread for ever.

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Communion Hymns - CP #66 *'And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love'*

Prayer after Communion

Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn - CP #527 *'How Firm a Foundation'*