

*Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025*  
*The Second Sunday after Pentecost*  
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*Members of the congregation who are able to stand are invited to do so as the Bible is brought in and taken out of the Church.*

### Intimations

- **The Sunday School** will meet in **Room 2** today.
- Please ensure all **mobile phones** 📱 are **switched off or in silent mode** during the Service.
- **Please place your offering in the Offering Plates** as these are uplifted during the Service.
- **Scotch pies (and gravy), home baking, tea and coffee will be served after Church** in the Cameron Hall.
- **The Annual Halls Letting meeting** will be held in **Room 2 on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 at 7pm.**
- There will be a **Vestry Hour on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 followed by our mid-week Service at 11.10am.**
- **On Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2025, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.**

### Introit

Let us Worship God

**Hymn 606 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders,**

- 1 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders,  
unmistakable and clear,  
mighty signs that show your presence,  
overcoming doubt and fear.
- 2 Lord, you sometimes speak in whispers,  
still and small and scarcely heard ;  
only those who want to listen  
catch the all-important word.

- 3 Lord, you sometimes speak in silence,  
through our loud and noisy day ;  
we can know and trust you better  
when we quietly wait and pray.
- 4 Lord, you sometimes speak in Scripture,  
words that summon from the page,  
shown and taught us by your Spirit  
with fresh light for every age.
- 5 Lord, you always speak in Jesus,  
always new yet still the same :  
teach us now more of our Saviour,  
make our lives display his Name.

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### Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Children's Address

Sunday School Prizegiving

**Hymn 174 God of great and God of small,**

- 1 God of great and God of small,  
God of one and God of all,  
God of weak and God of strong,  
God to whom all things belong,  
*alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.*
- 2 God of land and sky and sea,  
God of life and destiny,  
God of never-ending power,  
yet beside me every hour,

- 3 God of silence, God of sound,  
 God by whom the lost are found,  
 God of day and darkest night,  
 God whose love turns wrong to right,
- 4 God of heaven and God of earth,  
 God of death and God of birth,  
 God of now and days before,  
 God who reigns for evermore,

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### 1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup> Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, 'So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.' <sup>3</sup> Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. <sup>4</sup> But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.'

<sup>8</sup> He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. <sup>9</sup> At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' <sup>10</sup> He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' <sup>11</sup> He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound

of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' <sup>14</sup> He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' <sup>15</sup> Then the LORD said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.'

### St. Luke 8:26-39

<sup>26</sup> Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes,<sup>Ⓜ</sup> which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup> As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn<sup>Ⓜ</sup> no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup> When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— <sup>29</sup> for Jesus<sup>Ⓜ</sup> had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup> Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup> They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. <sup>32</sup> Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons<sup>Ⓜ</sup> begged Jesus<sup>Ⓜ</sup> to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup> Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. <sup>34</sup> When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup> Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup> Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes<sup>Ⓜ</sup> asked Jesus<sup>Ⓜ</sup> to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat

and returned. <sup>38</sup> The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus<sup>u</sup> sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup> 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

### Hymn 550 As the deer pants for the water

- 1 As the deer pants for the water,  
so my soul longs after You.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship You.  
*You alone are my strength, my shield,  
to You alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship You.*
- 2 I want You more than gold or silver,  
only You can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy-giver  
and the apple of my eye.  
*Chorus*
- 3 You're my Friend and You're my Brother,  
even though You are a king.  
I love You more than any other,  
so much more than anything.  
*Chorus*

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### Sermon

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

### Hymn 485 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,

- 1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;  
In purer lives thy service find,  
In deeper reverence, praise.
- 2 In simple trust like theirs who heard  
Beside the Syrian sea  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word  
Rise up and follow thee.
- 3 O sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
The silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love!
- 4 With that deep hush subduing all  
Our words and works that drown  
The tender whisper of thy call,  
As noiseless let thy blessing fall  
As fell thy manna down.
- 5 Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of thy peace.

6 Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!

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**Benediction**

**Choral Amen**