Sunday 24th August, 2025 The Eleventh 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.
- Tea and Coffee will be available after Church today in the Cameron Hall.
- There will be a Vestry Hour on Wednesday 27th August 2025 at 10am followed by our midweek Service at 11.10am.
- The Kirk Session will meet in the Cambridge Chapel on Tuesday 2nd September, 2025 at 7.30pm.

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn 212 Morning has broken

1 Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

3 Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation,
praise every morning,
God's recreation
of the new day!

Eleanor Farjeon(1881-1965)

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Children's Address

Hymn 350 When Jesus the healer passed through Galilee,

- When Jesus the healer passed through Galilee,

 Heal us, heal us today.

 the deaf came to hear and the blind came to see.

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.
- A paralysed man was let down through a roof.

 Heal us, heal us today.

 His sins were forgiven, his walking the proof.

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.
- 3 The death of his daughter caused Jairus to weep.

 Heal us, heal us today.

 The Lord took her hand, and he raised her from sleep.

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.

- When blind Bartimaeus cried out to the Lord,

 Heal us, heal us today.

 his faith made him whole and his sight was restored.

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.
- The twelve were commissioned and sent out in twos, Heal us, heal us today.

 to make the sick whole and to spread the good news.

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.
 - 6 The lepers were healed and the demons cast out.

 Heal us, heal us today.

 A bent woman straightened to laugh and to shout.

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.
- 7 There's still so much sickness and suffering today.

 Heal us, heal us today.

 We gather together for healing, and pray,

 Heal us, Lord Jesus.

Peter David Smith (b. 1938)

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Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵ 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations. ⁶ Then I said, 'Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' ⁷ But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.' ⁹ Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

St. Luke 13:10-17

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' ¹³ When he

laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Hymn 720 There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord,

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.

There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

- For healing, for wholeness, for new life:

 hear our prayer.

 In sickness, in death:
 be near, hear our prayer, O God.
 - Lord save us, take pity, light in our darkness.
 We call you, we wait:
 be near, hear our prayer, O God.

Anne Quigley

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Sermon

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayers of Intercession & 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 192 All my hope on God is founded

- 1 All my hope on God is founded;
 all my trust he will renew.
 safe through change and chance he guides me,
 Only good and only true.
 God unknown,
 He alone
 Calls my heart to be his own.
- 2 Pride of man and earthly glory, Sword and crown betray God's trust; though with care and toil we build them, Tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, Hour by hour, Is my temple and my tower.
- God's great goodness lasts for ever,
 Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
 Splendour, light, and life attend him,
 Beauty springing out of nought.
 Evermore,
 From his store
 New-born worlds rise and adore.

- Day be day the mighty giver showers gifts on us below;
 His desire our souls delight in,
 Pleasure leads us where we go.
 See love stand
 At his hand;
 Joy awaits at his command.
- 5 Still from earth to God in heaven
 Sacrifice of praise be done,
 High above all praises praising
 For the gift of Christ his Son.
 Hear Christ call
 One and all:
 those who follow shall not fall.

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Benediction

Choral Amen