

Sunday 6th. September, 2026
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Dedication of the Praise Team
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Welcome & Intimations

- 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 at 10am Wednesday 9th. September 2026**, followed by our midweek Service at 11.10am.
- Our Harvest Service of Thanksgiving will be on 20/09/26.

Lodging House Mission – Harvest Donation Requests 2026

We are so grateful to you for supporting LHM year after year, it means a lot to us. We've put together a short list of the things we need most. If you're able, please pick from these - we've thought it through so it reflects what we actually use. We've also included a few everyday essentials we usually have to buy; donating these would save us money that we can redirect to other areas of our work. Your help allows us cook hot, nutritious lunches and provide emergency food parcels for those who are struggling. If a cash donation is easier, we'll use it to buy fresh fruit, veg and other perishables we need, keeping meals healthy and cutting waste. Thank you from The LHM Team

Cereal	Tinned Fruit	Tinned Goods
Corn Flakes/Crunchy Nut	Pears	Baked Beans
Weetabix	Pineapples	Chopped tomatoes
Rice Crispies	Mandarins	Coconut Milk
Sugar Puffs	Fruit Cocktail	Condensed Milk
Frosties	Other	Potatoes
Coco Pops	Diluting/fresh juice	Custard
Cheerios	Coffee	Rice Pudding
Porridge	Biscuits	Butter Beans
Dried Goods	Crisps	Cannellini Beans
Cous Cous	Tea Bags	Chickpeas
Bulgur wheat	Long life milk	Tinned lentils
Paprika, Cumin	Rapeseed Oil	Other
Lentils	Plain Flour	Brown Sauce
Mixed herbs	Corn Flour	Tomato Sauce
Garlic powder	Mustard	Vinegar
Onion powder	Butter	Soya Sauce
Chilli powder	Bottle lemon/lime juice	Worcestershire Sauce
Crushed chillies	Dry yeast	Olive oil
Ground coriander	Baking Powder	Vegetable oil
Black pepper	Red wine vinegar	Gravy Granules
Salt	Apple Cider Vinegar	Veg Stock cubes/ bullion

Pasta	Vanilla Extract	Jelly
Long grain rice	Essentials	Sugar
Bay Leaves	Washing up liquid	Tomato Paste
Lasagna Sheets	Washing Powder	Passata
Coriander	Toilet Tissue	

Food Parcel Items

pot noodles/packet noodles	Tinned ham, corn beef, tuna,	Tinned spaghetti, spaghetti hoops	Tinned meatball, macaroni tinned dinners eg:curries
instant mash	Microwave rice pouches, pasta pouches	Biscuits, cereal bars	tinned soups packet soups

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn 203 When, in our music, God is glorified,

- 1 When, in our music, God is glorified,
And adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried:
Alleluia!

- 2 How often, making music, we have found
A new dimension in the world of sound,
As worship moved us to a more profound
Alleluia!

- 3 So has the Church, in liturgy and song,
In faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
Borne witness to the truth in every tongue:
Alleluia!

- 4 And did not Jesus sing a Psalm that night
When utmost evil strove against the Light?
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:
Alleluia!

- 5 Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always:
Alleluia!

Call to Prayer

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Dedication of the Praise Team



Statement

The gift of God's free grace puts a new song in our mouths.
We praise God that through music we can express something
of the glory we have seen,
the victory we share,
and the joy we know.

Minister to Praise Team: Do you promise, as musicians that with the help of God you will by prayer and example lead the people in your midst to worship God, with the love that Christ has shown you?

Praise Team: With the help of God, we will.

Minister to Congregation: As Christ's people in this place, will you continue to support the Praise Team offering encouragement and praise, fellowship and friendship?

Congregation: With the help of God, we will.

Children's Address

Hymn 641 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened
unto you.
allelu, alleluia.

You shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of
the Lord.
allelu, alleluia.

Exodus 12:1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ² This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³ Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴ If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵ Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶ You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷ They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸ They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹ Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰ You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹ This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. ¹² For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. ¹³ The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴ This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Romans 13:8-14

⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³ let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Anthem

St. Matthew 18:15-20

¹⁵ 'If another member of the church^[a] sins against you,^[b] go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one.^[c] ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

Hymn 510 Jesus calls us here to meet him

1 Jesus calls us here to meet him
as, through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

2 Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness,
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

3 Jesus calls us to each other,
vastly different though we are;
creed and colour, class and gender
neither limit nor debar.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.

John L. Bell(b.1949) and Graham Maule(1958- 2019)

Sermon

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayers of Thanksgiving, 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 677 In the name of Christ we gather,

- 1 In the name of Christ we gather,
in the name of Christ we sing,
as we celebrate the promise
of your servant's offering,
here ordained to lead God's people
at the Gospel's beckoning.
- 2 Sons and daughters of the Spirit,
we are called to teach and care,
called as were the first disciples,
Christ's own ministry to share,
and in bread and wine and water
sacraments of grace declare.
- 3 In our preaching, praying, caring
may your word spring into life ;
in our time of doubt and challenge,
may its truth affirm belief ;
and in days of pain and darkness,
may it heal our guilt and grief.
- 4 Word of joy, enlivening Spirit,
More than lover, parent, friend,
Born in Jesus, born in Mary,
Born in us, that love extend,
Grow within your chosen servants,
Life of God that has no end!

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Benediction

Choral Amen