

# Sunday Service

10.30am | Sunday, July 23rd 2023 | The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

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**Welcome:** Justin Roberts (Minister for Students)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

*\* catholic: refers to the universal, world-wide church*

## Hymn: All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing:  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam:  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One!  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood,  
come and rejoice in His great love!  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Christ has defeated every sin -  
cast all your burdens now on Him.  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign,  
heaven and earth will join to say,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Then who shall fall on bended knee?  
All creatures of our God and King!  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy on us pitiful sinners. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who truly repent, as you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord. And grant, O merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a godly, righteous, and disciplined life, to the praise of your holy name. Amen

## All - Age Slot

### Song: Jesus Is Greater

Jesus is greater than the greatest heroes,  
Jesus is closer than the closest friends.  
He came from heaven and he died to  
save us.  
to show us love that never ends.  
(Repeat)

Son of God, and the Lord of glory,  
he's the light, follow in his way,  
he's the truth that we can believe in,  
and he's the life; he's living today.  
(Repeat)

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## Children leave for their groups

## Church Family News

## Interview with Neil and Lucy Rogers

## Prayers: Emily Davies

### Hymn: Lo He Comes With Clouds Descending

Lo, He comes with clouds descending,  
once for favoured sinners slain;  
thousand thousand saints attending  
hail the King who comes again.  
Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah!  
God appears, on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold Him  
robed in awesome majesty;  
those who mocked, despised and sold Him,  
pierced and nailed Him to the tree,  
deeply wailing,  
deeply wailing,  
deeply wailing,  
shall the true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of His passion  
still His dazzling body bears;  
cause of endless exultation  
to His ransomed worshippers:  
with what rapture,  
with what rapture,  
with what rapture,  
gaze we on those glorious scars.

Yes, Amen! let all adore Thee,  
high on Thine eternal throne;  
Saviour, take the power and glory,  
claim the kingdom for Thine own:  
Come, Lord Jesus!  
Come, Lord Jesus!  
Come, Lord Jesus!  
everlasting God, come down!

John Cennick, Martin Madan, and Charles Wesley

**Reading:** Revelation 5: 1-14 (p. 1235)  
Stephen Gordon

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon: Behold, a Throne in Heaven : The King upon his throne (Part 2)**  
Rob Mullock (Minister for Training)

**Song: Across The Lands**

You're the Word of God the Father,  
from before the world began;  
every star and every planet  
has been fashioned by Your hand.  
All creation holds together  
by the power of Your voice:  
let the skies declare Your glory,  
let the land and seas rejoice!

**You're the Author of creation,  
You're the Lord of every man;  
and Your cry of love rings out  
across the lands.**

Yet You left the gaze of angels,  
came to seek and save the lost,  
and exchanged the joy of heaven  
for the anguish of a cross.

**Song: There Is A Higher Throne**

There is a higher throne,  
than all this world has known,  
where faithful ones from every tongue  
will one day come.  
Before the Son we'll stand,  
made faultless through the Lamb;  
believing hearts find promised grace:  
salvation comes.

**Hear heaven's voices sing,  
their thunderous anthem rings  
through emerald courts and sapphire skies,  
their praises rise.**

With a prayer You fed the hungry,  
with a word You stilled the sea;  
yet how silently You suffered  
that the guilty may go free.

With a shout You rose victorious,  
wresting victory from the grave,  
and ascended into heaven  
leading captives in Your wake.  
Now You stand before the Father  
interceding for Your own.  
from each tribe and tongue and  
nation  
You are leading sinners home.

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**All glory, wisdom, power,  
strength, thanks and honour are  
to God, our King who reigns on high  
forever more.**

And there we'll find our home,  
our life before the throne;  
we'll honour Him in perfect song  
where we belong.  
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye,  
as thirst and hunger die;  
the Lamb becomes our Shepherd King:  
we'll reign with Him.

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**Closing Prayer**

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