

## Communion Service: 20 August 2023

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity

### Notices

- 2-5pm Cream Teas at Hethel
- Community Hub, 11am-2:30pm, Monday, Mulbarton Social Club
- Funeral of Margaret Mace, 2pm, Monday, Bracon Ash Church
- Mulbarton Mardlers, 2-4pm, Tuesday, Mulbarton Social Club
  - Change of Plan for social on 1<sup>st</sup> October
  - Wedding Banns

### Collect for 11<sup>th</sup> After Trinity

God of glory,  
the end of our searching,  
help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have  
to gain the pearl beyond all price,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

### Song: It's Amazing

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.  
It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.  
It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace:  
Lord, to You I lift my praise.

In all my grieving and in all my weeping  
Your grace still flows,  
Your grace still flows.  
In all my seeking and on my returning  
Your grace still flows to me.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.  
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extravagant grace.  
It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace:  
Lord, to You I lift my praise.

In all my pain and through all my darkness

Your grace still flows, Your grace still flows.

In my indifference  
and through all my hardness  
Your grace still flows to me.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace:

Lord, to You I lift my praise.

Thank You for Your kindness  
That leads me to repentance,

Thank You for Your power  
That saves me, Jesus!

Thank You for Your name  
That lifts me to the Father.

What an amazing, extravagant grace!

In all my days of quiet restoring

Your grace still flows,

Your grace still flows.

And when I walk with joy overflowing

Your grace still flows to me.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace.

It's amazing, astounding,  
extravagant grace:

Lord, to You I lift my praise.

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**Persuade Me!**

### **Receiving God's Forgiveness**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:  
everything old has passed away; everything becomes new.

That we may put behind us all that is past,  
let us call to mind our sins.

God be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,  
your saving power among the nations:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,  
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

#### Matthew 15:21-28 (NIV)

<sup>21</sup> Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly."

<sup>23</sup> Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us."

<sup>24</sup> He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel."

<sup>25</sup> The woman came and knelt before him. "Lord, help me!" she said.

<sup>26</sup> He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs."

<sup>27</sup> "Yes it is, Lord," she said. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table."

<sup>28</sup> Then Jesus said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment.

#### Talk

by Adrian

#### The Profession of Faith:

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the  
Father, source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son,  
Jesus Christ, who redeemed the world?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God?

**All: We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All: This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

**Song: Sovereign Over Us**

There is strength within the sorrow

There is beauty in our tears

And you meet us in our mourning

With a love that cast out fear

You are working in our waiting

You're sanctifying us

When beyond our understanding

You're teaching us to trust

Your plans are still to prosper

You have not forgotten us

You're with us in the fire and the flood

You're faithful forever

Perfect in love

You are sovereign over us

You are wisdom unimagined

Who could understand your ways

Reigning high above the heavens

Reaching down in endless grace

You're the lifter of the lowly

Compassionate and kind

You surround and you uphold me

And your promises are my delight

Your plans are still to prosper

You have not forgotten us

You're with us in the fire and the flood

You're faithful forever

Perfect in love

You are sovereign over us

Your plans are still to prosper

You have not forgotten us

You're with us in the fire and the flood

You're faithful forever

Perfect in love

You are sovereign over us

Even what the enemy means for evil  
You turn it for our good  
You turn it for our good  
and for your glory  
Even in the valley, you are faithful  
You're working for our good  
You're working for our good  
and for your glory

Your plans are still to prosper  
You have not forgotten us  
You're with us in the fire and the flood  
You're faithful forever  
Perfect in love  
You are sovereign over us

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### Our Prayers

#### Holy Communion

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you,  
Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us  
as your children**

**and welcomed us  
to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him  
and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love  
upon the cross  
and made for all  
the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread,  
and gave you thanks;  
he broke it  
and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body  
which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this  
in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper,  
taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you  
for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this  
in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death  
and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit  
that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood  
of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink**

**these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ,  
our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church  
throughout the world  
we offer you  
this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice  
to join the eternal song of heaven:

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

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us, so we 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.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

Every time we eat this bread  
and drink this cup.

**We proclaim the Lord's death  
until he comes.**

#### **Giving of Communion**

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink  
in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts

by faith with thanksgiving.  
Receiving Bread and Wine

### Prayer After Communion

**Almighty God,**

**we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

### Song: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand



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**Closing Blessing**

The love of the Lord Jesus  
draw *you* to himself,  
the power of the Lord Jesus  
strengthen *you* in his service,  
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill *your* hearts;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among *you* and remain with *you* always.

**Amen.**