

Parish Eucharist

for the eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

19th October 2025

10am



Welcome to St Margaret's, Putney

St Margaret's is a diverse and friendly community in leafy West Putney. A space to meet God, to connect with others, celebrate life and find support when we need it most. We are building a vibrant community and making a positive change, through prayer, friendship, charity and care of the environment.

Our services and music are rooted in the traditions of the Church of England. We want church to be inclusive, thought-provoking and fun, and we strive to make God's Word relevant and connected to everyday life. People of all ages fully participate in Sunday Mornings and activities throughout the week.

Whether you want to be part of something bigger or need a quiet moment to yourself, there's a warm welcome waiting for you here at the heart of your community.

St Margaret's Putney. Reflect. Connect. Grow.

Welcome to St Margaret's. Please take a moment before our service begins to pray. A voluntary may be played.

Introit

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable.

Please stand to sing the hymn:

If I should speak in tongues divine, yet have not love I sound as brass.

And if all mysteries I grasp — yet have not love no gain is mine; for love is patient, love is kind, love knows no envy, boasts no pride; love never ends, but prophecies, knowledge and tongues, they all shall cease.

If I have faith to move the earth, but have not love I nothing gain.
And give away all that I earn, even my life, no prize I claim.
Love bears all things,
believes all things,
love hopes all things,
endures all things.
When all imperfect falls away then love's eternal King shall reign.

All thoughts and words and acts I chose,

when as a child, I put away.
As dimly now we see in glass,
then shall we all see face to face.
Here truth is hid and knowledge ends,
but we'll be known, and know as friends,
for faith, hope, love, come from above,
yet of these unsurpassed is love.

CHRIST ALONE Keith Getty (b. 1974) 1Cor 13

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Please be seated for the welcome.

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayers of Penitence</u>

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

ΑII Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed: through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Please stand to sing the Gloria.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please be seated.

Genesis 22:22-31

A reading from the book of Genesis.

Jacob got up, took his two wives, his two maids and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone: and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The reader concludes: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 121

My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth.



Refrain:

My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. **Refrain:**

He will not suffer your foot to stumble; he who watches over you will not sleep. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. **Refrain:**

The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand so that the sun shall not strike you by day, neither the moon by night.

Refrain:

The Lord shall keep you from all evil; it is he who shall keep your soul. The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

Refrain:

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message. Be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable. Convince, rebuke and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching; for the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The reader concludes:
This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Please stand as the Gospel is brought forward.

Alleluia

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Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heav'n and glory in the highest heav'ns! Alleluia.

Luke 18:1-8

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. *The congregation sings:*

All Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused: but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice so that she may not wear me out by continually coming."' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them; and yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to You, O Christ.

The Gospel will be followed by a voluntary.

The Sermon

Please be seated.

Let us stand to declare our faith in God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All 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 from 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Please be seated.

Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

The response is:

Lord, in your mercy,

All hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for the
sake of your Son, our Saviour
Jesus Christ. Amen.

The intercessions conclude:

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The Peace

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The congregation stands.

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The peace is shared.

The Collection

- Please fill in a gift-aid envelope if you are a UK tax payer.
- Contactless Machines are available at the back of church if you wish to donate by card
- You can go straight to our secure giving page by scanning the QR code:



O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my quide.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

O let me see thy footmarks and in them plant mine own; my hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend.

> WOLVERCOTE John Bode 1816-74 W.H. Ferguson 1874-1950

Cheerful Giving

Please be seated for a short talk by Mark Steward.

Prayer over the Gifts

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you,

All and of your own do we give you.

The Eucharistic Praver



Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things, who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh. As your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us. He opened wide his arms for us on the cross. He put an end to death by dying for us and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he

fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and singing:

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

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness. Grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks. He gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world, rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup so that we, in the company of the blessed Virgin Mary, St Margaret and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom

and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Silence is kept.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven, ΑII hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, vour 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.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body because we all share in one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

> Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The Communion

- All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Communion.
- The sacrament is distributed from front and back of church. Please follow the sides-persons instructions.
- If you would like a blessing please bow your head to indicate this.
- An anthem or voluntary is played.

Prayers after Communion

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

All Amen.

All 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.

The Notices are given.

The children present their work.

Please stand for our closing hymn.

From heaven you came helpless babe, Entered our world, your glory veiled; Not to be served but to serve, And give Your life that we might live.

This is our God, The Servant King, He calls us now to follow Him, To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to The Servant King.

There in the garden of tears, My heavy load he chose to bear; His heart with sorrow was torn. 'Yet not My will but Yours, ' he said.

Come see His hands and His feet, The scars that speak of sacrifice, Hands that flung stars into space, To cruel nails surrendered. So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone him;
Each others needs to prefer,
For it is Christ we're serving.

Graham Kendrick b.1950

The Blessing & Dismissal

Let us pray for God's blessing.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Dam Busters - Eric Coates (1886-1957)

Refreshments are served in the kitchen.