

The Temple Church

Sunday 5 July 2026

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

CHORAL MATTINS, 11.15 a.m.

You are most welcome to this morning's service. We follow the service of the Book of Common Prayer (1662). Much of the service is sung by the Choir alone. We hope that you will be able to enjoy the opportunity this offers to let the music and words take your mind and your heart – with all the concerns you have for those you love and for our world – into the presence of God.

It is traditional here for the congregation to stand for the Venite and the Canticles; if it would be more comfortable for you to remain seated, please do.

The order of service is printed in the white service booklet, pp. 17-29. The new public-address system has a loop-facility. If you wear a hearing-aid, please turn its setting to T. Please refrain from all filming, recording and photography during the service. Thank you.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Fantasia in G minor BWV572

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The congregation stands.

INTROIT

Peace I leave with you,
My peace I give to you.
Not as the world giveth give I unto you.
Let not your heart be troubled.

*Music: Amy Beach (1867-1944)
Words: John 14. 27*

HYMN

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear:
Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth;
Shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen.**

**How thy heart's wishes have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:**

**Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If to the end he befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for ay we adore him.**

Music: Praxis pietatis, P. Sohren's edition of Praxis pietatis melica, 1668
Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680), tr. Catherine Winkworth

All sit or kneel for the confession.

CONFESSION (*p. 17 of white booklet*)

All stand at "Glory be....." **RESPONSES** (*Byrd*)

All remain standing and sing: **VENITE** (PSALM 95. 1-7)



The first two verses and the Gloria are sung in unison.

- 1 O come let us | sing un-to the | Lord:
let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal- | vation.
- 2 Let us come before his | presence · with | thanksgiving:
and shew ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a | great | God:
and a | great King · a- | bove all | gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the | corners · of the | earth:
and the | strength of · the | hills is · his | also.
- 5 The sea is | his and · he | made it:
and his | hands pre- | pared the · dry | land.

6 O come let us worship and | fall | down:
and | kneel be-fore the | Lord our | Maker.

2nd Part

7 For he is the | Lord our | God:
and we are the people of his | pasture · and the | sheep of · his | hand.
Glory be to the Father and | to the | Son:
And | to the | Ho-ly | Ghost;
As it was in the beginning is now and | ev-er | shall be:
World without | end. A- | --- | men.

Music: Edward John Hopkins (1818-1901)

All remain standing.

The choir sings:

PSALM 82

God standeth in the congregation of princes:
he is a Judge among gods.
How long will ye give wrong judgement:
and accept the persons of the ungodly?
Defend the poor and fatherless:
see that such as are in need and necessity have right.
Deliver the out-cast and poor: save them from the hand of the ungodly.
They will not be learned nor understand, but walk on still in darkness:
all the foundations of the earth are out of course.
I have said, Ye are gods: and ye are all the children of the most Highest.
But ye shall die like men: and fall like one of the princes.
Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth:
for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

All sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

The Book of Deuteronomy, the eighth Chapter

All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the Lord sware unto your fathers.

And thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live.

For the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; a land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and

In the tradition of the Temple Church, we face east to say together:

THE CREED
(p. 24 of white booklet)

All sit or kneel at 'Let us pray...' THE RESPONSES

All sit or kneel. THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ANTHEM

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| 1.
Draw us in the Spirit's tether,
For when humbly in thy name,
Two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Touch we now thy garment's hem. | 2.
As the brethren used to gather
In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father
Break the bread and bless the cup
Alleluia! Alleluia!
So knit thou our friendship up. |
| 3.
All our meals and all our living
Make as sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving,
We may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will serve thee faithfully. | |

Music: Harold W. Friedell (1905-1958)
Words: Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

THE PRAYERS

All stand.

HYMN

**Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.**

**T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far
And Grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.**

Words: John Newton (1725-1807)

All sit.

**THE SERMON
The Master**

All stand.

HYMN

**A safe stronghold our God is still,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He'll keep us clear from all the ill
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The ancient prince of hell
Hath risen with purpose fell;
Strong mail of craft and power
He weareth in this hour;
On earth is not his fellow.**

**With force of arms we nothing can,
Full soon were we down-ridden;
But for us fights the proper Man,
Whom God himself hath bidden.
Ask ye, Who is this same?
Christ Jesus is his name,
The Lord Sabaoth's Son;
He, and no other one,
Shall conquer in the battle.**

**God's word, for all their craft and force,
One moment will not linger,
But, spite of hell, shall have its course;
'Tis written by his finger.
And though they take our life,
Goods, honour, children, wife,
Yet is their profit small;
These things shall vanish all:
The City of God remaineth!**

Music and words: Martin Luther (1483-1546)

THE BLESSING

All are invited to sit after the departure of the Clergy for

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue in G minor BWV 572

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

There will be a retiring collection. If you would prefer to donate online kindly scan the QR code below.



SPECIAL CONCERT

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We ask your prayers for those dear to us in this House, and at this time especially for the following:

BAPTISMS

Vela Elisabeth Rose Holman
Sebastian Jack Williamson-French

ANNIVERSARIES OF MARRIAGE

Andrew and Sarah Baughan	William and Sarah Holdcroft
Henry and Tamara Bevan	Rupert and Charlotte Jones
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Michael and Harriette Cotter	David and Rebecca Lang
Edward and Mieke Cronan	Giovanni and Penelope Passamonti
Tommy and Emma Dutton	James and Deborah Smart
Matthew and Rachael Greenhall	Adam and Hayley Williams

THE SICK

Margaret Beddoe
John McMeekin

THE DEPARTED

Kenneth Keith
Peter Readman

YEAR'S MIND

Bridget Archer	William Monier-Williams
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Hazel Beringer	Andrew Pugh
Anthony Boswood	Gerry and Sheila Ryan (née Cameron)
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