



ST Hilda's
Warley Woods



St Hilda's is proud to be a member of the Inclusive Church Network.

20th July 2025

5th Sunday after Trinity

In here you'll find today's hymns and readings, and this week's notices to use alongside the Ordinary Time Holy Communion order of service.

Opening Hymn: Blessed assurance

Number 390 in Common Praise

Collect¹

God of all history, nearer and nearer draws the time
when hostility will be routed and estrangement outlawed.
You will condemn both as lacking
And we will be judged for participating in their corruption.
Teach us not to find our hope
in mastering life and controlling others.
Our hope is in Christ, with Christ, and through Christ.
So traun us to sit and be attaeptive to the only necessary
thing,
for this will not be taken from us. **Amen.**

¹ Graham Turner, *Alternative Collects: Prayers to a Disruptive & Compassionate God*, Sacristy Press, 2018, page 94

First Reading: Amos 8:1-12

This is what the Lord God showed me—a basket of summer fruit. ² He said, ‘Amos, what do you see?’ And I said, ‘A basket of summer fruit.’ Then the Lord said to me,

‘The end has come upon my people Israel;
I will never again pass them by.

³ The songs of the temple shall become wailings on that day,’ says the Lord God;

‘the dead bodies shall be many,
cast out in every place. Be silent!’

⁴ Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵ saying, ‘When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;

and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practise deceit with false balances,

⁶ buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.’

⁷ The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

⁸ Shall not the land tremble on this account,
and everyone mourn who lives in it,

and all of it rise like the Nile,

and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?

⁹ On that day, says the Lord God,
I will make the sun go down at noon,
and darken the earth in broad daylight.
¹⁰ I will turn your feasts into mourning,
and all your songs into lamentation;
I will bring sackcloth on all loins,
and baldness on every head;
I will make it like the mourning for an only son,
and the end of it like a bitter day.
¹¹ The time is surely coming, says the Lord God,
when I will send a famine on the land;
not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water,
but of hearing the words of the Lord.
¹² They shall wander from sea to sea,
and from north to east;
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord,
but they shall not find it.

Gradual hymn: The prophets spoke in days of old
Number 327 in Common Praise

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38 – 42

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked,

‘Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.’ ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, ‘Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.’

*Offertory Hymn: Take my life and let it be
Number 581 in Common Praise*

Communion hymn: Seek ye first

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

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

We shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of God.
allelu, alleluia!

When we have studied the word of our God
let us go out in our faith
and bring that love to a cold and broken world
allelu alleluia

Final hymn: Great is thy faithfulness

Number 453 in Common Praise

NEWS AND NOTICES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

This week's sanctuary flowers are the gift of

UPCOMING SERVICES

Wednesday 23 rd July 10am:	Holy Communion
Sunday 27 th July 10:30am:	Holy Communion and Holy Baptism (outside if weather permitting!)
Wednesday 30 th July 10am:	Morning Prayer
Sunday 3 rd August 10:30am:	Holy Communion

SUNDAY 27TH JULY – OUTDOOR BAPTISM

Next Sunday Ava and Bethany are being baptised by full immersion, and John will re-affirm his baptism vows. If the weather is suitable the whole service will be outside. (If it's too hot or too wet we will have the service inside and go outside for the baptism).

If you're able to bring a thermos of hot water to add to the pool before we bless the water please do!

PCC TREASURER NEEDED – URGENT

We urgently need someone to take on the role of Treasurer. This is an important role in the life of the church. You do not need to be an expert in finances, just a willingness to learn and computerate literacy. Terry Daniels, our interim treasurer will work with you to ensure a handover and you will have the support of the Wardens and PCC. As a PCC member you will need to complete some Safeguarding modules and have an enhanced DBS. Please speak to Jenni or Terry if you think you may be able to take on this role.

HOLY COMMUNION SERVER NEEDED

We are seeking a new member (or perhaps members!) to join our team of Holy Communion servers. This role includes assisting with the preparation of the altar, helping with the distribution of Holy Communion and clearing at the end of the service. Due to the nature of our building Servers need to be able to use stairs. Full training will be given, including Basic Awareness Safeguarding which is imperative for any volunteer role in the church. Please speak to Jenni or Ian if this interest you.

CONSERVATOIRE CONCERTS

We have a full programme of concerts by students of the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, with lunchtime concerts at 1.00pm on the second Friday of the month, and evening concerts at 7.30pm on the fourth Saturday of the month The programme this quarter is;

Saturday 30th August 7:30pm

Friday 12th September 1pm

Saturday 27th September 7:30pm

Light refreshments are available after each concert, and there is usually an opportunity to talk with the performer(s). The concerts are free, but donations for church funds are welcome. Why not come along and join us, and please spread the information to anyone else who may be interested? More details are available from sthildasconcerts@gmail.com Angela, Terry and Marian.

TIDYING THE GARDEN AT THE FRONT OF CHURCH

The monthly Saturday morning sessions to tidy the church front garden will continue to be on the first Saturday of each month, between 10.00 am - 12.00 noon. If you are free, your help would be appreciated at any time during those mornings.

Experienced and inexperienced gardeners are all welcome. The 2025 dates will be: 2nd August, 6th September, and 4th October. If you have any queries, please speak to Rob Eaton or Anne Harris.

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER WORSHIP ROTA

I am putting together the rota for Sunday mornings for the final part of the year. If you would like to be on it to read or lead intercessions please let me know.

All volunteer roles in church require Basic Safeguarding Training which will be arranged before anyone new starts. Jenni

This week please pray for;

Bethany and Ava as they prepare for baptism

PCC as they meet on Wednesday

The families of Neil Davis and Mary Rogers as their funerals take place on Wednesday and Friday.

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