



The Church of the Good Shepherd, Brighton

# **The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2026



Please pray:

For The Anglican Church of Burundi

For for the Governance Team at Church House Hove Claire King; Rebecca Churchill

For neighbours in Stanford Close.

For Elias, Pauline Grimstone, Veronica Holden, Paul Thompson, Trevor, Robin, Rols Ham-Riche, Sarah, Jess, Carole, Roger Grady, AJ, Mr Jackson, Peter.

For the departed: Stella Morley,

*Welcome to The Church of the Good Shepherd. This sheet has everything you need to follow what is going on. The writing in the red italics gives instructions. The text in normal type will be spoken by a priest, reader or other member of the congregation. We all join in with the bold type, including the hymns.*

*Please stand when the bell rings and the altar party enters.*

## **Processional Hymn**

*NEH 334*

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,  
Come ye before him, and rejoice.**
- 2 The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,  
Without our aid he did us make;  
We are his folk, he doth us feed,  
And for his sheep he doth us take.**
- 3 O enter then his gates with praise,  
Approach with joy his courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.**
- 4 For why? the Lord our God is good:  
His mercy is for ever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.**
- 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
The God whom heaven and earth adore,  
From men and from the Angel-host  
Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.**

*William Kethe (d 1594)*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*We remain standing as the priest introduces the celebration. We say the Prayer of Preparation.*

**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.**

### **The Penitential Rite**

*The priest invites us to call to mind our sins.*

**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.**

**Amen.**

### **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.**

*Mass of St Thomas, Thorne*

## **The Collect**

*We remain standing for the Collect:*

O God, forasmuch as without you  
we are not able to please you;  
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit  
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **The Liturgy of the Word First Reading**

*Isaiah 25:1-9*

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

O Lord, you are my God;  
I will exalt you, I will praise your name;  
for you have done wonderful things,  
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.  
For you have made the city a heap,  
the fortified city a ruin;  
the palace of aliens is a city no more,  
it will never be rebuilt.  
Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;  
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.  
For you have been a refuge to the poor,  
a refuge to the needy in their distress,  
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.  
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,

the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,  
 you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;  
 the song of the ruthless was stilled.  
 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples  
 a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,  
 of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.  
 And he will destroy on this mountain  
 the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
 the sheet that is spread over all nations;  
 he will swallow up death for ever.  
 Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
 and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
 for the Lord has spoken.  
 It will be said on that day,  
 Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.  
 This is the Lord for whom we have waited;  
 let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We remain seated for the psalm. The Choir sing the verses, and we are encouraged to join in with the Gloria at the end.*

## Psalm

*Psalm 23 (Chant: Goss)*

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd \*  
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture \*  
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul \*  
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death , I will fear  
no evil \*  
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me \*  
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life\*  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

**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.**

## Second Reading

### *Philippians 4:1-9*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown,  
stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes,  
and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have  
struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and  
the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness  
be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything,  
but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your  
requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses  
all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just,  
whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there  
is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about  
these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received  
and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel

*We stand for the Gospel reading.*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### *Matthew 22:1-14*

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

### *And the end of the Gospel:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**The Sermon**

*We sit for the sermon.*

**The Creed**

*Please stand for the Creed.*

**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.**

### **The Intercessions**

*If you are able, we remain standing. In the intercessions, we make the response:*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

*At the end of the prayers we say together:*

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

### **The Peace**

*Please remain standing as the celebrant introduces the Peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*During the Offertory Hymn, the Gifts of Bread and Wine are presented by the people. A collection is taken. There is also a Card machine at the back of the church. You are welcome to use it at the end of the service if you would like to make any donation.*

## Offertory Hymn

NEH 381

- 1 Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest,  
Beneath thy contemplation  
Sink heart and voice opprest.  
I know not, O I know not,  
What social joys are there,  
What radiancy of glory,  
What light beyond compare.
- 2 They stand, those halls of Sion,  
Conjubilant with song,  
And bright with many an angel,  
And all the martyr throng;  
The Prince is ever in them,  
The daylight is serene,  
The pastures of the blessed  
Are decked in glorious sheen.
- 3 There is the throne of David,  
And there, from care released,  
The song of them that triumph,  
The shout of them that feast;  
And they who, with their Leader,  
Have conquered in the fight,  
For ever and for ever  
Are clad in robes of white.
- 4 O sweet and blessed country,  
Shall I ever see thy face?  
O sweet and blessed country,  
Shall I ever win thy grace?  
Exult, O dust and ashes!  
The Lord shall be thy part:  
His only, his for ever,  
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

*Bernard of Cluny (12th century)*

*Tr. J. M. Neale (1818-66)*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*We remain standing. The Invitation to Prayer is said:*

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

*The priest then prays the Prayer over the Gifts to which we respond:*

**Amen.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

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.**

*The priest praises God for his mighty acts, and we sing the Sanctus and Benedictus:*

**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.**

*Mass of St Thomas, Thorne*

*The priest prays the prayer of consecration, and this acclamation is said:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

*The Prayer continues, leading into the doxology, which ends*

... for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*The priest introduces the Lord's Prayer:*

**Our Father, who art in heaven  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### **Breaking of Bread**

*The priest breaks the consecrated host:*

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

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

*We sit or kneel, and sing the Agnus Dei:*

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

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
grant us peace.**

*Mass of St Thomas, Thorne*

### **Giving of Communion**

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

*If you are baptised in the name of the Trinity, and are used to receiving communion, you are very welcome to do so here. Otherwise, you may like to come forward for a blessing. Please bring this sheet with you to indicate that you would like a blessing.*

*Please do not intinct. If you are unwell, please help us to keep those who are immunocompromised safe by refraining from taking the chalice. It is perfectly valid to receive the bread only.*

**Choir**

*The true and living bread, David Blackwell*

**Communion Hymn**  
*NEH 282*

- 1 Faithful Shepherd, feed me  
In the pastures green;  
Faithful Shepherd, lead me  
Where thy steps are seen.**
- 2 Hold me fast, and guide me  
In the narrow way;  
So, with thee beside me,  
I shall never stray.**
- 3 Daily bring me nearer  
To the heavenly shore;  
May my faith grow clearer,  
May I love thee more.**
- 4 Hallow every pleasure,  
Every gift and pain;  
Be thyself my treasure,  
Though none else I gain.**
- 5 Day by day prepare me  
As thou seest best,  
Then let angels bear me  
To thy promised rest.**

*T. B. Pollock (1836-96)*

**Post Communion**

*We stand as the priest prays:*

Holy and blessed God,  
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son  
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:  
may we honour you,  
not only with our lips,  
but in lives dedicated to the service  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*We pray together:*

**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.**

*Please sit for the notices.*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The priest asks God's blessing on us:*

...and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**The Notices**

**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn**  
*NEH 457*

- 1 The King of love my Shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
And he is mine for ever.**
- 2 Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul he leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow  
With food celestial feedeth.**
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love he sought me,  
And on his shoulder gently laid,  
And home, rejoicing, brought me.**

- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
Thy unction, grace bestoweth:  
And O what transport of delight  
From thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
Within thy house for ever.

*H. W. Baker (1821-77)*

### **Organ Voluntary**

*Chorale prelude, Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir, J G Walther*

## THIS WEEK

|                                                                 |                                                                                                                 |
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| Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October                                 |                                                                                                                 |
| 10.15am (Zoom opens<br>9.45am)                                  | Bible Study                                                                                                     |
| Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October<br><i>St Edward, Confessor</i> |                                                                                                                 |
| 2pm - 4pm<br>7.30pm                                             | Tea at The Good Shepherd<br>Book Group (49 Maldon<br>Road)                                                      |
| Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October<br><i>St Teresa of Avila</i>  |                                                                                                                 |
| 10.30am<br>7pm - 8.30pm                                         | The Eucharist<br>Bell Ringing                                                                                   |
| Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup><br><b>St Luke</b>                       |                                                                                                                 |
| 8.00am<br><b>10.15am</b><br><br>11.30am<br>4pm                  | The Eucharist<br><b>Parish Eucharist</b> with<br>Sunday School<br>Sunday Snippets<br>Baby Loss Memorial Service |

## NOTICES

Sunday Snippets for the next couple of weeks is thinking about the theme of **Pilgrimage**. Patricia will be leading a session for us on Iona.

There are two ways that you can immediately help with our plans to start a **Toddler Group**: donate, or buy us something from our wish list (see poster at the back), or you can sign up to help in some way - sheet at the back of church.

On Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm we will be hosting another memorial service for **Baby Loss Awareness Week**. If you are able to help with this (simple craft and serving refreshments) please sign up at the back.

Our next **Choral Evensong** is at 6pm on Sunday 25th October.

You can begin to add names for those you would like remembered at our Sung Eucharist for **All Souls** on Monday, 2nd November at 8pm.

We hope to start **Fish, Chip and Film Fridays** next month - a new opportunity to gather for a fish and chip lunch followed by a film. We're looking for ideas of the types of films you'd like to watch - sheet at the back to add your ideas!

Please start spreading the news about our childrens' **Light Party** on Sunday 1st November from 4pm - 6pm. Poster at the back, and there is also a sign up sheet if you are able to help. Please save any 500ml plastic bottle, and clean jars with lids (ideally with the labels off) between then and now!

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