

Sunday 13th September 2026
The Second Sunday in The Season of Creation
Readings, Collect and Year's Mind

Opening Hymn CAHON 392 Let us, with a gladsome mind

Collect for the Second Sunday in The Season of Creation

Holy God,
Creator of the world and fount of all life,
you never abandon the creatures formed by your wisdom:
remain with us always, we pray,
working for our good,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

First Lesson Psalm 103: 8-13

A reading from the Psalms, Psalm 103, verses 8-13.

- ⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
⁹ He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
¹¹ For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;
¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.
¹³ As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

Sun 9am Here endeth the Lesson.

Sun 10.45 This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18: 21-35

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 18, verses 21 to 35.

Sun 9am Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Sun 10.45 Glory to Christ our Saviour.

²¹Then Peter came and said to [Jesus], ‘Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?’ ²²Jesus said to him, ‘Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³‘For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.” ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, “Pay what you owe.” ²⁹Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you.” ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt.

³¹When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, “You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?” ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.’

Sun 9am Thanks be to thee, O Lord, for this thy glorious Gospel.

Sun 10.45 Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

We offer particular prayers for

Andy, Masami, Pat W, Marian, Roddy, Bill, Sheila K, Jenny, Joan M., Betty, Catherine, Catriona D, Delia, Jane T., Emma A., Alison B., Joseph, Johnny, Alice; Countries suffering war, violence or natural disaster; the people of Nepal, Tibet, Venezuela, Syria, Palestine, Israel, Lebanon, Iran and the Gulf States, Ukraine and Sudan.

We also include in our prayers those in our Year's Mind:

Nelly Mitchell, Janetta Clark, Gail Barclay, Trevor Wilson

Offertory Hymn CAHON 180 Forgive our sins as we forgive

Anthem Glory, love, and praise and honour Harris

Post Communion Prayer

God of peace, in this eucharist
we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours.
May we who have been nourished by holy things
always have the courage to forgive.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen

Closing Hymn CAHON 195 From heav'n you came, helpless babe

Readings for the day

Genesis 50: 15-21; *Psalm 103: 8-13; Romans 14: 1-12; *Matthew 18: 21-35

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