

Sunday 18th October 2026
The Twenty First Sunday of Trinity
Readings, Collect and Year's Mind

Opening Hymn CAHON 225 God of grace and God of glory

Collect for the Twenty First Sunday of Trinity

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

First Lesson Isaiah 45: 1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah, chapter 45, verses 1 to 7.

- ¹ Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:
- ² I will go before you
and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
- ³ I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
- ⁴ For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I surname you, though you do not know me.

- ⁵ I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
⁶ so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
⁷ I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these thing

Sun 9.00am Here endeth the Lesson.

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

Gospel Reading **Matthew 22: 15-22**

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 22, verses 15 to 22.

Sun 9.00am **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Sun 10.45am **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

¹⁵ The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' ²¹ They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' ²² When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

Queenette, Andy, Masami, Pat W, Marian, Roddy, Bill, Sheila K, Jenny, Joan M., Betty, Catherine, Catriona D, Delia, Jane T., Emma A., Joseph, Alison B., 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:

Roma Sprot, Betty Sissons, John Aldhous, Robert Mortis, Richard Stanfield, Moira Avery, Elise Selman, Elsie Hope.

Offertory Hymn CAHON 296 How shall I sing that majesty

Anthem From the rising of the sun Ouseley

Post Communion Prayer for the Twenty First Sunday of Trinity

God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen

Closing Hymn CAHON 629 Teach me, my God and King

Choral Evensong, Sunday 18th October 6.30pm

All are welcome tomorrow evening to this traditional choral led service.

Readings: Joshua 14: 6-14; 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

Psalm 141

Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis Weelkes (The Short Service)

Anthem O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit Tallis

Responses Byrd; Lord's Prayer Stone

NEH 247 O gladsome light, O grace (Nunc Dimittis)

NEH 366 God of mercy, God of grace (Heathlands)

Readings for the day

*Isaiah 45: 1-7; Psalm 96: 1-13; 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10; *Matthew 22: 15-22

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