



St Peter's
Hammersmith

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(18th Sunday after Trinity)

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10.30 am

HOLY COMMUNION

Officiant: Revd Charles Clapham
Senior steward: Richard Millar
Stewards: Mike Illingworth, Fiona Hay
Chalice: Hugo Gerrard
Readers: Leslie DuCane, Margaret Lind Smith
Intercessions: Paul Brett
Crèche:
Children's club: Vanessa Townsend
Coffee: Alex Matthews, Nadine Iberg, Angela Clarke
Flowers: Katie Taylor Restell & Caroline Illingworth

+ 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 ask God for healing and forgiveness

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you,
and against our neighbour
in thought, 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.**

The priest pronounces the Absolution, and we sing the Gloria

**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.
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.
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. Amen.**

The Collect

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

The Liturgy of the Word

Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, 'You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.' Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 21.33-46

Jesus said ‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.’

Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures: “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes”? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the sermon, and stand to affirm our faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

*We sit or kneel for intercessions,
for which the following response may be used*

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

And at the end,

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

Liturgy of the Sacrament

We stand for the peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*If you would like to make a donation to the church, collection plates (with gift aid envelopes)
and a card reader are available at the back of church at the end of the service*

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 praise God for his mighty acts, and all respond:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The priest recalls the Last Supper, with the acclamation:

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died: Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

The prayer leads into the doxology, to which all respond:

Amen.

**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.**

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.**

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

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have mercy on us.**

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

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.**

Those who wish to receive the wine as well as the wafer are asked to do so through intinction (that is, dipping the wafer into the wine) rather than drinking directly from the chalice. Please ask the priest if you require a gluten-free wafer.

As we receive, the choir sing 'Locus iste' (Bruckner).

<p>HYMN 273 <i>And now, O Father, mindful of the love</i></p>
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After all have received, the priest prays the post communion prayer, and we say 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.**

We remain seated for notices, and stand for the blessing

<p>HYMN 339 <i>Be thou my vision</i></p>

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Voluntaries:

Before: Vivaldi (arr. Bach) - Concerto in A minor (BWV 593) (2nd movement)

After: Vierne - Allegro maestoso (from Symphony No. 3, op. 28)

Thank you again for all the **HARVEST DONATIONS** in kind and in money last week; and thanks to Caroline Illingworth and her team for all their work decorating the church.

BEANSTALK MONTESSORI NURSERY. During the week, the parish rooms and garden of St. Peter's Church transform into a nurturing and exciting learning environment. The Beanstalk has been a nurturing foundation for children's learning for the past 34 years. We currently have spaces for 2-4 year olds, including some places with 15 or 30 hour funding. Find out more at www.beanstalkmontessori.co.uk or on our Instagram @thebeanstalkmontessori. We encourage families with young children to book a tour and secure a place with us by contacting us by phone on 02085637508 or by email at enquiries@beanstalkmontessori.co.uk

Could you help restore the statue of **THE LEANING WOMEN** by the A4 outside the church? This Grade II modernist sculpture was designed in 1958 by Czech artist Karel Vogel, as part of a programme to bring art to Londoners and to thank locals for the disruption caused by the Great West Road. But the concrete has cracked and the internal structure is rusting. A restoration project has been planned to remove previous repairs, stop corrosion, repair cracks and apply a new watertight exterior coating. Heritage of London Trust have over £40,000 pledged, but need to raise £9000 more by October 23rd. More details and donations via spacehive at <https://tinyurl.com/zcypus5e>

MEN'S LUNCH gather again on Tuesday 10th October at 12.30 pm, gathering at the Black Lion Pub, on Black Lion Lane. No need for advance booking. Do join us if you are able. Email Richard Millar (richardmillar@supanet.com) for more information.

WOMEN LUNCHING are back at the Black Lion Pub on Thursday 12th October and look forward to seeing you at 12.30 pm. More likely to be inside but you never know! Any queries, do please contact Ruth Hawkins on ruthhawkins@talktalk.net.

The St Peter's Church accounts for the year ended 31st December will require a full audit and so the PCC intends to appoint a qualified person to act as **AUDITOR**. Ideally we would like to appoint a parishioner who is a member of a recognised accounting body and holds a practising certificate. Anybody who has the appropriate qualifications and is interested in this role is invited to contact Charles Clapham as soon as possible.

GIVING TO ST PETERS. To support St Peter's, you can use the yellow envelopes to make a cash donation, or give contactlessly as you leave. You can also make a one-off donation or set up a regular **DIRECT DEBIT** by scanning the QR code, or via the church website.



SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER (19th Sunday after Trinity)

8 am **HOLY COMMUNION**

9 am **FAMILY WORSHIP**

10.30 am **HOLY COMMUNION**

6.30 pm **EVENING PRAYER**

(Psalm 139; Genesis 18:1-14; I John 2:7-17)