



**Richmond  
Team Ministry**



# **Sung Eucharist**

## **11:00am**

**First Sunday after Trinity**  
**22 June 2025**

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**WELCOME** to St John's this morning on the  
First Sunday after Trinity!



The First Sunday after Trinity marks a quiet but significant turning point in the Church's year. With the great festivals of Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost behind us, we enter what is sometimes called Ordinary Time—but there is nothing ordinary about the life of faith to which we are called. This is a season for deepening, growing, and being shaped more fully into the likeness of Christ.

It is fitting, then, that this Sunday we mark the beginning of Ordinary Time with a sign of hope and growth quite literally planted at our door: two new olive trees now flank the entrance to the church. These trees, symbols of peace, endurance, and the life of the Spirit, will grow slowly but surely—just as we are called to do. May they remind us that even in the most familiar seasons, God is always doing a new thing in our midst.

***This act of worship is livestreamed on our Facebook page,  
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Ministry.***

*The clergy in the Richmond Team Ministry are always happy to meet for pastoral conversations about faith or to offer spiritual counsel. If you would like to speak with a member of the clergy, do be in touch directly or through the RTM Parish Office.*

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## Prelude

*Chorale Prelude on 'Rockingham'*  
Parry

*Please stand to sing the **Introit Hymn** when the bell rings.*

**1 Our God stands like a fortress rock  
with walls that will not fail us;  
he helps us brace against the shock  
of fears which now assail us.  
The enemy of old  
in wickedness is bold;  
this seems his victory hour,  
he fears no earthly power  
and arms himself with cunning.**

**2 We win no battles through our might,  
we fall at once, dejected;  
the righteous one will lead our fight,  
by God himself directed.  
You ask, 'Who can this be?'  
Christ Jesus, it is he,  
eternal King and Lord,  
God's true and living word,  
no-one can stand against him.**

**3 And though the world seems full of ill,  
with hungry devils prowling,  
Christ's victory is with us still,  
we need not fear their howling.  
The tyrants of this age  
strut briefly on the stage:  
their sentence has been passed.  
We stand unharmed at last,  
a word from God destroys them.**

**4 God's word and plan, which they pretend  
is subject to their pleasure,  
will bind their wills to serve God's end,  
which we, who love him, treasure.  
Then let them take our lives,  
goods, children, husbands, wives,  
and carry all away;  
theirs is a short-lived day,  
ours is the lasting kingdom.**

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott

MARTIN LUTHER (1483–1546)

translated by STEPHEN ORCHARD (b. 1942)

altered by Compilers of Rejoice and Sing, 1991

A&M 759

## **The Gathering**

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

## **The Greeting**

*Joe greets the people.*

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

*Joe introduces our worship.*

## **Prayers of Penitence**

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the  
presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind  
and confess our sins.

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour; in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.**

**We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, 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 lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.**

*Joe says:*

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**

*Please stand.*

**Refrain:**

***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. Refrain**

**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. *Refrain***

**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. *Refrain***

### **The Collect**

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the  
weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing  
without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the  
keeping of your commandments we may please you both in  
will and deed; 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

*Please sit for the readings and the psalm.*

## First Reading

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah (65.1-9).

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, 'Here I am, here I am',  
to a nation that did not call on my name.

I held out my hands all day long  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and offering incense on bricks;

who sit inside tombs,  
and spend the night in secret places;

who eat swine's flesh,  
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

who say, 'Keep to yourself,  
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.'

These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all day long.

See, it is written before me:

I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps

their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,

says the Lord;

because they offered incense on the mountains

and reviled me on the hills,

I will measure into their laps

full payment for their actions.

Thus says the Lord:

As the wine is found in the cluster,

and they say, 'Do not destroy it,

for there is a blessing in it',

so I will do for my servants' sake,

and not destroy them all.

I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,

and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;

my chosen shall inherit it,

and my servants shall settle there.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## Psalm 22.19-28

*The choir lead the psalm appointed for the day and the congregation are invited to join in with the **Response**.*

**Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

- 19 Be not far from me, O Lord;  
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword,  
my poor life from the power of the dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's mouth,  
from the horns of wild oxen.  
You have answered me! **R**
- 22 I will tell of your name to my people;  
in the midst of the congregation will I praise you.
- 23 Praise the Lord, you that fear him;  
O seed of Jacob, glorify him;  
stand in awe of him, O seed of Israel. **R**
- 24 For he has not despised nor abhorred the suffering of the poor;  
neither has he hidden his face from them;  
but when they cried to him he heard them. **R**
- 25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
I will perform my vows  
in the presence of those that fear you.
- 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied;  
those who seek the Lord shall praise him;  
their hearts shall live for ever. **R**

- 27 All the ends of the earth  
shall remember and turn to the Lord,  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 28 For the kingdom is the Lord's  
and he rules over the nations. **R**

## Second Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians (3.23-29).

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*We stand to sing the* **Gradual Hymn**

**1    Rock of ages, cleft for me,  
let me hide myself in thee;  
let the water and the blood,  
from thy riven side which flowed,  
be of sin the double cure:  
cleanse me from its guilt and power.**

**2    Not the labours of my hands  
can fulfil thy law's demands;  
could my zeal no respite know,  
could my tears for ever flow,  
all for sin could not atone:  
thou must save, and thou alone.**

**3    Nothing in my hand I bring,  
simply to thy cross I cling;  
naked, come to thee for dress;  
helpless, look to thee for grace;  
foul, I to the fountain fly;  
wash me, Saviour, or I die.**

**4    While I draw this fleeting breath,  
when my eyelids close in death,  
when I soar through tracts unknown,  
see thee on thy judgement throne;  
Rock of ages, cleft for me,  
let me hide myself in thee.**

AUGUSTUS MONTAGUE TOPLADY (1740–1778) A&M 772

*Gospel acclamation:* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*A seasonal sentence is sung.*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel Reading

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke  
(8.26-39). **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs.

When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned.

The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

*At the end:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

*Please sit.*

## **The Creed**

*Please stand.*

**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.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*Please sit or kneel for the prayers of intercession.*

*These or other responses may be used.*

*Either:* Lord, in your mercy      *or:*      Lord, hear us.  
**Hear our prayer.**      **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end:*

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

# **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

## **The Peace**

*Please stand.*

*Joe introduces the Peace with the following sentence:*

Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

The peace of Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*We greet each other with a sign of peace, and then sing the* **Offertory Hymn**

- 1      God is Love: let heav'n adore him;  
God is Love: let earth rejoice;  
let creation sing before him,  
and exalt him with one voice.  
He who laid the earth's foundation,  
he who spread the heav'ns above,  
he who breathes through all creation,  
he is Love, eternal Love.**
- 2      God is Love: and he enfoldeth  
all the world in one embrace;  
with unfailing grasp he holdeth  
every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking  
under sorrow's iron rod,  
then they find that selfsame aching  
deep within the heart of God.**

**3      God is Love: and though with blindness  
sin afflicts the souls of all,  
God's eternal loving-kindness  
holds and guides us when we fall.  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is Love, so Love for ever  
o'er the universe must reign.**

TIMOTHY REES (1874–1939) A&M 644

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## **Preparation of the Table**

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

*The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Holy God, holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
give us the bread of everlasting life,  
and make us branches of the true vine.

**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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.  
Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and singing:

**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.**

*Please sit or kneel.*

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died, he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.* When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: *Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

So Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and the cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,  
until you come in glory.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, John the Divine, Matthias, Mary Magdalene and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Being made one by the fellowship of the Holy Trinity, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us:

**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 the Bread**

*Joe breaks the consecrated bread.*

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.**

**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.**

## **Giving of Communion**

*Joe says*

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins 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.**

*During the distribution of Holy Communion:*

## **Prayer after Communion**

**Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Notices**

*Information about our life together is shared.*

# **The Dismissal**

*We stand to sing the* **Post Communion Hymn**

**I All my hope on God is founded;  
he doth still my trust renew.  
Me through change and chance he guideth,  
only good and only true.  
God unknown,  
he alone  
calls my heart to be his own.**

**2 Human pride and earthly glory,  
sword and crown betray his trust;  
what with care and toil he buildeth,  
tower and temple, fall to dust.  
But God's power,  
hour by hour,  
is my temple and my tower.**

**3 God's great goodness aye endureth,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendour, light, and life attend him,  
beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore  
from his store  
new-born worlds rise and adore.**

**4 Daily doth th' Almighty giver  
bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth,  
pleasure leads us where we go.  
Love doth stand  
at his hand;  
joy doth wait on his command.**

**5 Still from earth to God eternal  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of Christ his Son.  
Christ doth call  
one and all:  
ye who follow shall not fall.**

ROBERT SEYMOUR BRIDGES (1844–1930)

based on *Meine Hoffnung steht feste*,

by JOACHIM NEANDER (1650–1680)

## **The Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you his peace, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy rest upon you this day and always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

*Sortie*

Percy Whitlock

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11:00am - 12:15pm

### **Tuesday**

Morning Prayer

8:30am - 8:50am

Silent Contemplation before the Blessed Sacrament

6:30pm - 6:50pm

Said Eucharist

7:00pm - 7:30pm

## ***Open Church***

***Most Saturdays***