

**Welcome to our service of
Sung Eucharist at St Mary's, Shirehampton
Sunday 6th September 2026**

In the name of God, Creator, Sustainer and Redeemer
Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

We gather here, where God would teach us:
**so we may learn to be more compassionate,
so we may be taught how to be more loving.**

We gather here, where Jesus would teach us
**the wisdom to choose forgiveness over holding a grudge,
the language of hope so we may speak to all.**

We gather here, where the Spirit imparts wisdom,
**so we might know how to share grace,
so we would learn to welcome all to this Table.**

HYMN:

1 Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

2 Ye blessèd souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race,
and now, from sin released,
behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound,
as in his sight
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

3 Ye saints, who toil below,
adore your heav'nly King,
and onward as ye go
some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good or ill,
who ever lives.

4 My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above:
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love;
let all thy days
till life shall end,
whate'er he send,
be filled with praise.

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CONFESSION: *Please be seated*

God's whole creation groans.
The land produces thorns and thistle and longs to be set free.
Our sin affects all around us.
We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**Creator God, we confess that we have not honoured and obeyed you.
We have broken our relationships with one another, abused your fragile
creation, wounded your love and marred your holy image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins.**

**Father, forgive us.
Lead us from apathy to love.
Strengthen us as stewards of your precious people
and of your glorious creation,
for the sake of your Son,
Jesus Christ, who died for us.
Amen**

ABSOLUTION:

Almighty God,
who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed:
forgive you your sins,
open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will
and give you the joy of his kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GLORIA – SUNG

**1 Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.**

**2 Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.**

**3 Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**4 Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.**

**5 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, have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive, receive our prayer.**

**6 Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
peace to his people on earth.**

**7 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
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

THE COLLECT:

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power;
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.

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 47: 9, 12

please sit for the reading

At the end of the reading the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN:

As we are gathered Jesus is here,
one with each other, Jesus is here,
joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,
part of the Body, the Church of God.

As we are gathered, Jesus is here,
one with each other, Jesus is here.

[sing through twice]

John Daniels

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GOSPEL READING: *Please stand*

Matthew 8: 23 - 27

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end the reader says,
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON:

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

**We believe in God the Father,
who created all things:
for by his will they were created and have their being.**

**We believe in God the Son
who was slain,
for with his blood he purchased us for God from every tribe and language,
from every people and nation.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit.
The Spirit and the Bride say 'Come'.
Even so, come Lord Jesus! Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS:

ending with

Merciful Father

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

THE PEACE:

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

HYMN:

1 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
stand up before his cross,
an instrument of torture
inflicting pain and loss;
transformed by his obedience
to God's redeeming plan,
the cross was overpowered
by Christ, both God and man.

3 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
in faith and hope be strong,
stand firm for right and justice,
opposed to sin and wrong.
Give comfort to the wounded,
and care for those in pain,
for Christ, in those who suffer,
is crucified again.

5 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
give courage to the weak,
be unashamed to praise him,
be bold his name to speak.
Confront the cross unflinching,
Christ's love has set us free;
he conquered death for ever
and lives eternally.

2 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
be counted as his own;
his gospel of forgiveness
he cannot spread alone.
The love which draws us to him,
he calls us out to share;
he calls us to the margins
to be his presence there.

4 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
who reigns as King of kings,
be ready for the challenge
of faith his kingship brings.
He will not force obedience,
he gives to each the choice
to turn from all that's holy,
or in his love rejoice.

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PREPARATION OF THE TABLE:

Heavenly Father,
as we set before you these gifts of bread and wine,
bless also the gift of our hearts and minds
as we offer our lives in your service; for Jesus Christ's sake.
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.

Almighty God,
good Father to us all,
your face is turned towards your world.
In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.
Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels sing your praise.
We join with them in heaven's song:

(sung)

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power, God of might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

Father of all, we give you thanks
for every gift that comes from heaven.
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables
with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.
On the night he was betrayed
he came to table with his friends
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
he took the cup, gave it and said:
This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.

(sung)

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

[sing through twice]

Therefore, Father,
with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross
on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

(sung)

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Please be seated

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name
Your Kingdom come, Your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

**For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever, Amen.**

Alleluia!

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.

Alleluia! Let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI - SUNG

Jesus, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us. Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

Grant us your peace (x4)

COMMUNION IS SHARED:

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord of all Creation,

as we have received the bread and wine,

Fruits of the earth and tokens of salvation,

so with joy we celebrate your goodness

and commit ourselves to serve you on your earth,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSINGS:

NOTICES:

BIRTHDAYS:

HYMN:

Praise You in the morning
Praise You in the evening
Praise You when I'm young
And when I'm old
Praise You when I'm laughing
Praise You when I'm grieving
Praise You every
Season of the soul

If we could see
How much You're worth
Your power Your might
Your endless love
Then surely we would
Never cease to praise

Let everything that Everything that
Everything that has breath
Praise the Lord
Let everything that Everything that
Everything that has breath
Praise the Lord

Praise You in the heavens
Joining with the angels
Praising You forever and a day
Praise You on the earth now
Joining with creation
Calling all the nations
to Your praise

If they could see
How much You're worth
Your power Your might
Your endless love
Then surely they would
Never cease to praise

Let everything that Everything that
Everything that has breath
Praise the Lord
Let everything that Everything that
Everything that has breath
Praise the Lord
(repeated)

And I will worship
I will worship
I will worship
You with every breath
(repeated)

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SENDING AND BLESSING:

God the Father, who created the world,
give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.
Amen

God the Son, who redeemed the world,
inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest.
Amen

God the Holy Spirit,
whose breath fills the whole creation,
help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace.
Amen

and the blessing of God almighty...
Amen