

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - 21 JUNE 2026**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

*A very warm welcome to everyone who has joined us for our worship service this morning.*



**INTROIT HYMN:**

**MP 381**

**Jesus, stand among us.**

**GREETING AND WELCOME**

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

Praise the Lord  
**Praise him you servants of the Lord**

Blessed be God, Father Son and Holy Spirit  
**Blessed be his name, now and for ever.**

**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.**

Let us pray

### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**Almighty God to whom all hearts are open all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord**

**Amen**

Lord, have mercy  
**Lord, have mercy**

Christ, have mercy  
**Christ, have mercy**

Lord, have mercy  
**Lord, have mercy**

### **PENITENCE**

Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments depend all the law and prophets.

### **CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins (firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour).

*(Silence may be kept)*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you through our own fault in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name.**

**Amen**

### **ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you, pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## THE COLLECT

Let us pray

**Lord Jesus Christ, you tell us not to be afraid: challenge us to abandon ourselves, encourage us to risk the sacrifice that we may find the abundant life you promise; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit in the unity of the Blessed Trinity, one God, for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## OUR PARISH PRAYER

**Lord our God, thank you for calling St Augustine's to be your church in our city. Help us to welcome you in all people, to praise you in prayer and worship, to love you, through serving this parish and the community, to travel and grow in faith together, to be a community of love and service in our world through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL PRAYER

**God of grace and God of love, we thank you for these our children. Help them to focus their hearts and minds now on what they are about to learn. Inspire and guide our Sunday school teachers as they teach and lead these children in the way of your love and grace. Thank you for your faithfulness and loving kindness.**

**Amen**

## *THE WORD OF GOD*

**THE FIRST READING:** Genesis 21: 8-21.

**PSALM:** 86: 1-10; 16-17.

Incline your ear to me O God, and answer me:  
For I am poor and in misery.

**Preserve my life, for I am faithful:  
My God save your servant who puts his trust in you.**

Be merciful to me O Lord:  
For I call to you all the day long.

**O make glad the soul of your servant:  
For I put my hope in you O Lord.**

For you Lord are good and forgiving:  
Of great and continuing kindness to all who call upon you.

**Hear my prayer O Lord:  
And give heed to the voice of my supplication.**

In the day of my trouble, I call upon you:  
For you will surely answer.

**Among the gods there is none like you O Lord:  
Nor are there any deeds like yours.**

All the nations you have made, shall come and worship before you:  
O Lord, they shall glorify your name.

**For you are great and do marvellous things:  
And you alone are God.**

Turn to me and be merciful; give your strength to your servant:  
And save the son of your handmaid.

**Show me some token of your goodness:  
That those who hate me may see it and be ashamed, because you Lord are my  
helper and my comforter.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**As it was in the beginning:  
Is now and will be for ever.**

**Amen.**

**SECOND READING:** Romans 6:1b-11.

**GRADUAL HYMN:** MP 108

Create in me.

**THE GOSPEL:** St. Matthew 10:24-39.

**NICENE CREED (APB p 108)**

**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 of 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.

## SERMON

## THE PRAYERS – FORM C.

## THE PEACE

Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father  
in Heaven (Matt10:32)..

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Peace be with you.**

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** MP 37

As the deer pants.

## THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion  
over all things. Receive the fruits of our labour offered in love; in the name of Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## **THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given, and human hands have made. For us it becomes the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine' to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. For us it becomes the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever**

## **THE FIFTH EUCHARISTIC PAYER**

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 God thanks and praise**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, to give you thanks, Holy God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him you have created us in your image; through him you have freed us from sin and death; through him you have made us your own people by the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**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.**

Hear us, Holy God, through Christ your Son our Lord, and grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood.

Who in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying, '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 we proclaim the mystery of faith

**Christ has died  
Christ is risen  
Christ will come again.**

Therefore, Holy God, proclaiming his saving death and resurrection and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate with this bread and this cup his one perfect sacrifice.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be renewed by your Spirit and grow into his likeness.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom and in whom, all honour and glory be yours, Holy God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Afrikaans)

Ons vader wat woon in die hemel, geheilig sy u Naam,

Laat u ryk kom, u wil geskied,

soos in die hemel so ook op die aarde.

Gee ons vandag ons dag se brood

en vergeef ons al ons skulde, net soos ons vergewe die wat teen ons sondig.

Laat kom ons nie in die versoeking, maar verlos ons van die Bose.

Want U is die ryk en die sterkte en die ere,

vir ewig en ewig, amen.

Vir ewig en ewig,

Amen

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

The bread which we break  
is it not a sharing of the body of Christ?

**We, who are many, are one body  
for we all partake of the one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.**

## THE COMMUNION

**We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table but you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.**

**Amen.**

Draw near and receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shared for you. Feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** MP 622  
MP 635 (V7-10)

Take, eat, this is my body.  
Thank you, Lord.

## PRAYERS

### CONCLUSION

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious.  
**God's mercy endures forever**

**Father almighty we offer ourselves to you  
as a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out into the world in the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

**Amen.**

### PRAYER FOR AFRICA

**God, bless Africa  
protect our children  
transform our leaders  
heal our communities  
restore our dignity  
and give us peace;  
for Jesus Christ's sake.**

**Amen.**

### NOTICES

**FINAL BLESSING**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:** MP 532

O, O, O, How good is the Lord.

**DISMISSAL**

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

**Amen.**