

and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

Gospel Reader: *This is the Gospel of the Lord* All: Praise to you, O Christ

## SERMON

## MUSICAL INTERLUDE

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## OFFERTORY HYMN # 67 Beauty for brokenness

The service continues on Page 12 of the Service Booklet

## FINAL HYMN # 183 Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

## SENDING OUT & POSTLUDE

The service is followed by coffee.

*Service for Sunday 7th September : Morning Service with Peter OWEN  
followed by Communion with Bishop Patrick  
(Twelfth Sunday after Trinity)  
Jeremiah 18:1-11; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33*

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## A VERY WARM WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE THIS MORNING



Everyone who  
exalts himself  
shall be humbled,  
while he  
who humbles himself  
shall be exalted.

Sunday 31st August  
2025

Eleventh Sunday  
after Trinity

Chaplain (Locum)  
Warden & Secretary  
Warden  
Music Director & Vice-Chair  
Congregational Worship Leader

Bishop Patrick **Rooke**  
Peter **Owen**  
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Shirley **Rowson**  
Alastair **Ross**

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## COMMUNION SERVICE

### NOTICES & MUSICAL PRELUDE

**OPENING HYMN # 692** Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

### WELCOME & PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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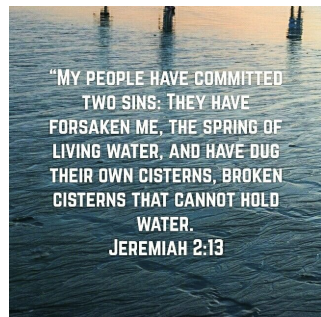
### COLLECT PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

(2:4-13)

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, 'Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?' I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things



that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, end to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they

have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

*Reader: This is the word of the Lord*      **All: Thanks be to God**

### A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

(13:1-8,15,16)



Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, **'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.'** What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their

way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

*Reader: This is the word of the Lord*

**All: Thanks be to God**

### GOSPEL HYMN # 328 I come with joy, a child of God

*Gospel Reader: The Lord be with you*

**All: And also with you**

*Gospel Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke*

**All: Glory to you, O Lord**

### THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE

(14:1,7-14)

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place",