

PARISH EUCHARIST

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER 2025



THE CHURCH OF ST ANDREW, SERVING
CHARVIL, SONNING AND SONNING EYE

Everyone Welcome!

Welcome to our Parish Eucharist service for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

You will be guided by the welcome team to receive communion at the appropriate time.

We have gluten free communion wafers for those with gluten allergies. Please let one of the welcome team know if you would like to receive one at communion. If you are hard of hearing, we have a hearing loop in church. Please turn your hearing aid to the appropriate position to use it. Large print copies of this service booklet are available.

Sunday Club is running today in the Ark. STAY meet this evening for the STAY Youth service at 6.30pm.

Sunday Club (Reception to Year 6) usually runs on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month in the Ark during term time.

STAY (Year 7 upwards) usually runs in the Ark every 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of each month in the Ark during term time.

The children's area is open and toys are available for younger children there. Please would parents supervise their children using this area and tidy toys away afterwards.

Please do join us for refreshments in The Ark following the service.

To request more information about our church activities please scan the QR code to the right or contact the church office by telephone or email - details on the back page.



If you would like to make a donation to the ministry and mission of this church you can do so by leaving a donation in the collection plate, using the contactless terminal by the main church door or scanning the QR code here:



*The responses and prayers in **BOLD** type are said by all*

Please stand for the hymn (A&M 763)

Praise to the Holiest in the height,

And in the depth be praise:

In all his words most wonderful,

Most sure in all his ways.

4. And that a higher gift than grace

Should flesh and blood refine,

God's presence, and his very self,

And essence all-divine.

2. O loving wisdom of our God!

When all was sin and shame,

A second Adam to the fight

And to the rescue came.

5. O generous love! that he, who smote

In Man for man the foe,

The double agony in Man

For man should undergo;

3. O wisest love! that flesh and blood,

Which did in Adam fail,

Should strive afresh against the foe,

Should strive and should prevail;

6. And in the garden secretly,

And on the cross on high,

Should teach his brethren, and inspire

To suffer and to die.

7. Praise to the Holiest in the height,

And in the depth be praise:

In all his words most wonderful;

Most sure in all his ways.

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

Please sit for the welcome and notices.

Prayers of Preparation and Penitence

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: 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.

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

cf Ephesians 4.30,32

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

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.**

Please stand to sing the Gloria

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.

Glory to God, glory to God. Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God. Glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God. Glory to God in the highest.

Please remain standing for the Collect

The Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,

you have made us for yourself,

and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:

pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,

and so bring us at last to your heavenly city

where we shall see you face to face;

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**

Please sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him, we will also live with him;

if we endure, we will also reign with him.

If we disown him, he will also disown us;

if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

Keep reminding God's people of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

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

Please stand for the hymn (A&M 592)

As the deer pants for the water,

So my soul longs after you.

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield,

To you alone may my spirit yield.

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship you.

2. I want you more than gold or silver

Only you can satisfy

You alone are the real joy-giver

And the apple of my eye.

You alone are my strength, my shield ...

3. You're my Friend and you're my Brother,

Even though you are a king.

I love you more than any other,

So much more than anything.

You alone are my strength, my shield ...

Please remain standing for the Gospel reading

Luke 17:11-19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke: **Glory to you O Lord.**

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, 'Jesus, Master, have pity on us!'

When he saw them, he said, 'Go, show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were cleansed.

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him – and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, 'Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Rise and go; your faith has made you well.'

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

Please sit

The Sermon

Please stand

The Creed

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.

Please sit or kneel

Prayers of Intercession

The end of each prayer concludes with 'Lord, in your mercy' to which we respond:
Hear our prayer.

And at the end: 'Merciful Father' to which we respond

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand for the Peace

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**
Let us offer one another a sign or a word of peace.

Preparation of the Table

Hymn (A&M 739)

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns,
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Please sit

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here: **His Spirit is with us.**

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, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; 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.

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of St Andrew and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(Sunday Club parents please collect your children from The Ark now)

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

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.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**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 our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

We sing:

**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.**

If you are a communicant member of any Christian Church you are welcome to take communion with us, or if you would prefer a blessing please bring this booklet with you when you are invited to the communion rail.

While communion is being taken the choir will sing the hymn 'All for Jesus' (A&M 421) and the anthem 'O Saviour of the World' (Goss).

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

STAY or Sunday Club tell us about their morning's activities

Please stand

THE DISMISSAL

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn (A&M 742 ii)

O for a thousand tongues to sing

My dear Redeemer's praise, (x 2)

The glories of my God and King,

My dear Redeemer's praise. (x 3)

2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,

That bids our sorrows cease; (x 2)

'Tis music in the sinner's ears,

'Tis life and health and peace. (x 3)

3. He speaks; and listening to his voice,

New life the dead receive; (x 2)

The mournful broken hearts rejoice,

The humble poor believe. (x 3)

4. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,

Your loosened tongues employ; (x 2)

Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;

And leap, ye lame, for joy! (x 3)

5. My gracious Master and my God,

Assist me to proclaim (x 2)

And spread through all the earth abroad

The honours of thy name. (x 3)

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

Organ Voluntary

Parish News

STAY YOUTH SERVICE - This evening is the first STAY Youth service starting at 6pm in church. This service will take place on the second Sunday of every month.

HARVEST FESTIVAL - Last Sunday we supported Woodley Food Bank as part of our harvest services. Thank you to everyone who donated cash or dried produce. The total cash raised was £2,000. If you would still like to make a cash donation you can make a payment to the PCC bank account (sort code 40-52-40 and account number 00011793) with the reference 'Harvest' and it will be passed on to the Food Bank.

RENDEZVOUS LUNCH CLUB - Tuesday 14th October. The menu is spaghetti bolognese with salad or vegetarian bolognese, followed by lemon meringue and coffee/tea for £12. To book please phone Hilary on 0118 969 3298 or email office@sonningparish.org.uk

RETIREMENT OF BOB PETERS - This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Licensing of Bob as our Lay Minister. He has taken the decision to retire from active ministry, and this will take effect in October. The Bishop will be conferring the status of Emeritus Lay Minister and we shall gather to give thanks for Bob's ministry next Sunday 19th October at the 10:30am service. This will include a presentation and reception in the Ark afterwards. Bob's position as editor of the Parish Magazine is unaffected by his decision.

MESSY CHURCH - We invite children and their adults to join us for our next Messy Church on the 19th October from 3pm in the Ark. This month we will have special community guests join us (pending any callouts)... the firefighters! They will bring the fire engine and provide an educational talk on fire safety. Please contact Corinne with any questions.

HOME GROUPS - Wednesday@8 (online bi-weekly) and Thursday@8 (in-person weekly) are back after the summer break. Our aim is to deepen our faith, build friendships and enjoy time together with God at the centre. If you want to know more please contact to Helen (helen.craig50@gmail.com) for the Thursday group or Gemma (gemmajanewest@hotmail.co.uk) for Wednesday.

Prayer Team and Pastoral Visiting

The Ministry Team are always happy to visit, pray for or take home Communion to those in need. Please contact the Parish office if you would like to arrange this.

We remember any who have died who are known to us:

Arthur Adams, Desmond Moran, Margaret Edge

We remember any whose anniversaries fall around this time:

Hermione Schotten, Dorothy Horne, Emily Adams, Shirley Stewart, Jack Barker, Terry Burroughs, Joy May, Christine Clarke

The Week Ahead

Monday 13 October

2.30pm	Funeral of Desmond Moran	Church
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Tuesday 14 October

12 noon	Rendezvous Lunch Club	The Ark
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Wednesday 15 October

10.00am	Holy Communion	The Ark
8.00pm	Wednesday at 8 (<i>gemmajanewest@hotmail.co.uk for details</i>)	

Thursday 16 October

7.30pm	Bellringing practice	Bell tower
8.00pm	Thursday at 8 (<i>helen.craig50@gmail.com for details</i>)	

Friday 17 October

5.30pm	Junior choir practice	St Sarik
6.30pm	Senior choir practice	St Sarik
6.45pm	STAY on Friday	The Ark

Sunday 19 October

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Church
10.30am	Parish Eucharist	Church
3.00pm	Messy Church	The Ark

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The Parish Office is open from 9am - 1pm Monday - Friday. At all other times please leave a message or send an email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.