



## Holy Trinity Geneva

**Service of Laying on of Hands  
with Prayer and Anointing  
at a celebration of Holy Communion  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 18h00**



*Please use the welcome music as a time to reflect and pray.*

### ***The Gathering***

*We stand*

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

**Amen.**

### **Greeting**

*The priest greets the people*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you

**and also with you.**

***The priest introduces the service***

We are gathered here in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is present among us by his Spirit. He suffered for us on the cross to bring us healing and reconciliation. Having shared our weakness and learned obedience through suffering, he now lives as our great high priest and is able to save to the uttermost all who draw near to God through him. With our hope set on this great salvation we lay before God our weakness and our need.

**Hymn HON 61 Be still and know that I am God**

1 Be still and know that I am God.	2 I am the Lord that healeth thee.
Be still and know that I am God.	I am the Lord that healeth thee.
Be still and know that I am God.	I am the Lord that healeth thee.

3 In thee, O Lord, I put the trust.  
In thee, O Lord, I put the trust.  
In thee, O Lord, I put the trust.

*Unknown, based on Psalm 46  
Arr. A Vernon Fish (b 1956)*

***Prayer of Preparation***

*We sit or kneel*

**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.**

**Prayers of Penitence**

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

*1 Corinthians 5.7,8*

Lord Jesus, you heal the sick:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive sinners:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us  
and bring us strength:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*The priest 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 Collect**

*Let us pray*

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
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***

#### **Gospel Reading**

*We stand*

**Luke 13.10- 17**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**  
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

### **Homily - Mr Humberto Henderson (Ordinand)**

*We sit*

### ***Prayers of Intercession***

*We sit or kneel*

### **Litany of Healing**

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation.

**We praise and bless you, Lord.**

God the Son, you came that we might have life,  
and might have it more abundantly.

**We praise and bless you, Lord.**

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence.

**We praise and bless you, Lord.**

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being.

**We praise and bless you, Lord.**

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured or disabled,  
that they may be made whole.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

Grant to all who are lonely, anxious or depressed  
a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

Grant to all who minister to those who are suffering wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

Mend broken relationships, and restore to those in distress soundness of mind and serenity of spirit.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

Sustain and support those who seek your guidance and lift up all who are brought low by the trials of this life.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world.

**Hear us, Lord of life.**

You are the Lord who does mighty wonders.

**You have declared your power among the peoples.**

With you, Lord, is the well of life  
**and in your light do we see light.**

Hear us, Lord of life:

**heal us, and make us whole.**

Let us pray,

*A period of silence follows.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people;  
in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion  
upon us and all who turn to you for help;  
for you are gracious, O lover of souls,  
and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## ***Laying on of Hands and Anointing***

*Quiet, reflective music will be played.*

*Anointing oil is brought before the priest.*

*The priest says*

Praise God who made heaven and earth,  
**who keeps his promise for ever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,  
**who is worthy of all thanksgiving and praise.**

Blessed are you, sovereign God, gentle and merciful,  
creator of heaven and earth.

Your Word brought light out of darkness,  
and daily your Spirit renews the face of the earth.

Your anointed Son brought healing to those in weakness and distress.

He broke the power of evil and set us free from sin and death  
that we might praise your name for ever.

By the power of your Spirit may your blessing rest  
on those who are anointed with this oil in your name;  
may they be made whole in body, mind and spirit,  
restored in your image, renewed in your love,  
and serve you as sons and daughters in your kingdom.

Through your anointed Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
we lift our voices of thanks and praise:

**Blessed be God, our strength and our salvation, now and for ever. Amen.**

*There is now a time for you to come forwards for anointing and prayer.*

*You can come forwards for yourself or for a situation or person you want to  
bring before God.*

*A lay person may also be present praying alongside the priest.*

*Anything you share will be treated with absolute confidence and not shared with  
anyone.*

*If you want a longer time for prayer and sharing, then please speak to a priest  
after the service.*

*The **Laying on of Hands** is administered using these or other suitable words*

In the name of God and trusting in his might alone,  
receive Christ's healing touch to make you whole.

May Christ bring you wholeness  
of body, mind and spirit,  
deliver you from every evil,  
and give you his peace.

**Amen.**

***Anointing** may be administered. The priest says*

I anoint you in the name of God who gives you life.  
Receive Christ's forgiveness, his healing and his love.  
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
grant you the riches of his grace,  
his wholeness and his peace.

**Amen.**

*After the **Laying on of Hands** and **Anointing**, the priest says*

The almighty Lord,  
who is a strong tower for all who put their trust in him,  
whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth obey,  
be now and evermore your defence.  
May you believe and trust that the only name under heaven  
given for health and salvation  
is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## ***The Liturgy of the Sacrament***

### **The Peace**

*We stand*

God has made us one in Christ.  
He has set his seal upon us and as a pledge of what is to come  
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.  
*We all exchange a sign of peace.*

## **Preparation of the Table**

*We sit or kneel*

Be present, be present,  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
our risen high priest;  
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.  
**Amen.**

## ***The Eucharistic Prayer***

*We stand*

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.**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.  
When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**  
In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**



At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

*We sit or kneel*

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.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in the one bread.**

*Agnus Dei*

**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.**

### **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*We invite you to come and to receive Communion, receiving the host from the priest and, if you wish, the wine from the chalice bearer. Please consume the host before you receive the wine and do not dip it in the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms. If you are accustomed to receiving Communion in any church, you are welcome to do so with us today.*

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. Remember that he died for you and feed on him in your heart with thanksgiving.

### **THE CONCLUSION**

*We sit or kneel*

#### ***Prayer after Communion***

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Hymn NEH 244 Glory to thee, my God, this night**

*We stand*

1 Glory to thee, my God, this night  
For all the blessings of the light;  
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,  
Beneath thy own almighty wings.

2 Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,  
The ill that I this day have done,  
That with the world, myself and thee,  
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

3 Teach me to live, that I may dread  
The grave as little as my bed;  
Teach me to die, that so I may  
Rise glorious at the awful day.

4 O may my soul on thee repose,  
And with sweet sleep my eyelids close,  
Sleep that may me more vigorous make  
To serve my God when I awake. .. /..

5 Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him all creatures here below,  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*T Tallis (1505-1585)*  
*T Ken (1637-1711)*

### ***The Dismissal***

#### **Blessing**

May God the holy and undivided Trinity  
preserve you in body, mind and spirit,  
and bring you safe to that heavenly country  
where peace and harmony reign;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

### ***The Dismissal***

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*If you would like to pray with a priest, please do ask and we will be available to share and talk with you.*

### **Prayer Requests**

We pray for the sick who are known to us, and those caring for them, especially for Liz Kernen, Jonathan Bezzola, David Omumbwa, Sybil Sheppard, Chris Talbot, Joan Tye, Annemarie Hester, Louise Cellerier, André Vivas, Timothy Creffield, Tianna Dagher, Edith Tanner, Livia Varju, Brenda Hand, Valerie Offord, Phil Thomas, Diana Mason, Robin Bailey, Judi Cianci, Ruth Wyler, Germain, Samuel Kalibala, Joyce McNulty, Trevor Thomas, Diana Dickinson, Denise Muhlethaler, Maya Mortimer, Rosabelle de Silva, Silvio -Morson, Anna Porraccin, Valerie Slessor, Frances Boo, Jenny Syrathev, George Thomasz, Lorensz Ranasinghe.

Pray for the Spanish Episcopal Reformed Church, Bishop Carlos López-Lozano. Pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland.

**Diocesan Office in London:** Pray for the Safeguarding team: Grace Fagan, Andy Munro, Bridgett Fenton, Craig Norman and Nick Sherratt, pray for our care for children and vulnerable adults in all our chaplaincies.