



# Holy Trinity Geneva

## The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

### Choral Evensong

### 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022



#### A sentence of scripture

'Behold now, praise the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord' (*Psalm 134.1*)

#### Welcome

#### HYMN

NEH 250

1 Saviour, again to thy dear name we raise  
With one accord our parting hymn of praise.  
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
That in this house have called upon thy name.

2 Grant us thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;  
Turn thou for us its darkness into light;  
From harm and danger keep thy children free,  
For dark and light are both alike to thee.

3 Grant us thy peace throughout our earthly life;  
Peace to thy Church from error and from strife;  
Peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;  
Peace in each heart, thy Spirit from above:

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4 Thy peace in life, the balm of every pain;  
Thy peace in death, the hope to rise again;  
Then, when thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,  
Call us, O Lord, to thine eternal peace.

### Preces - Ferial

O Lord, open thou our lips  
**And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise**  
O God, make speed to save us  
**O Lord, make haste to help us**  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
**As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**  
Praise ye the Lord  
**The Lord's Name be praised**

### PSALM 134

1 Behold now ' praise the ' Lord : all ye ' servants ' of the ' Lord;  
2 Ye that by night stand in the ' house of the ' Lord : even in the courts of the ' house of ' our ' God.  
3 Lift up your hands ' in the ' sanctuary : and ' praise ' - the ' Lord.  
4 The Lord that made ' heaven and ' earth : give thee ' blessing ' out of ' Sion.

Glory be to the Father and ' to the ' Son and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost  
As it was in the beginning is now and ' ever ' shall be  
World without ' end. A- ' - - ' men.

### PSALM 135

O praise the Lord, laud ye the ' Name of the ' Lord :  
praise it, O ye ' servants ' of the ' Lord;  
2 Ye that stand in the ' house of the ' Lord :  
in the ' courts of the ' house of our ' God.  
3 O praise the Lord, for the ' Lord is ' gracious :  
O sing praises unto his ' Name for ' it is ' lovely.  
4 For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob ' unto him'self :  
and Israel ' for his ' own pos'session.  
5 For I know that the ' Lord is ' great : and that our ' Lord is a'bove all ' gods.  
6 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in ' heaven and in ' earth :  
and in the sea, ' and in ' all deep ' places.

- <sup>7</sup> He bringeth forth the clouds from the ' ends of the ' world : and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the ' winds ' out of his ' treasures.
- <sup>8</sup> He smote the ' first-born of ' Egypt : both of ' man ' and ' beast.
- <sup>9</sup> He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou ' land of ' Egypt : upon ' Pharaoh and ' all his ' servants.
- <sup>10</sup> He smote ' divers ' nations : and ' slew ' mighty ' kings;
- <sup>11</sup> Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the ' king of ' Basan : and ' all the ' kingdoms of ' Canaan;
- <sup>12</sup> And gave their land to ' be an ' heritage : even an heritage ' unto ' Israel his ' people.
- <sup>13</sup> Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ' ever : so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation ' to an'other.
- <sup>14</sup> For the Lord will avenge his ' people : and be ' gracious ' unto his ' servants.

Glory be to the Father and ' to the ' Son and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost  
As it was in the beginning is now and ' ever ' shall be  
World without ' end. A- - - ' men.

### First Lesson

### Nehemiah Chapter 2

The first Lesson is taken from the book of the prophet Nehemiah, chapter two, beginning at the first verse

In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was served to him, I carried the wine and gave it to the king. Now, I had never been sad in his presence before. So the king said to me, 'Why is your face sad, since you are not sick? This can only be sadness of the heart.' Then I was very much afraid. I said to the king, 'May the king live for ever! Why should my face not be sad, when the city, the place of my ancestors' graves, lies waste, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?' Then the king said to me, 'What do you request?' So I prayed to the God of heaven. Then I said to the king, 'If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favour with you, I ask that you send me to Judah, to the city of my ancestors' graves, so that I may rebuild it.' The king said to me (the queen also was sitting beside him), 'How long will you be gone, and when will you return?' So it pleased the king to send me, and I set him a date. Then I said to the king, 'If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may grant me passage until I arrive in Judah; and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, directing him to give me timber to make beams for the gates of the temple fortress, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that

I shall occupy.' And the king granted me what I asked, for the gracious hand of my God was upon me.

Then I came to the governors of the province Beyond the River, and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent officers of the army and cavalry with me. When Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite official heard this, it displeased them greatly that someone had come to seek the welfare of the people of Israel.

So I came to Jerusalem and was there for three days. Then I got up during the night, I and a few men with me; I told no one what my God had put into my heart to do for Jerusalem. The only animal I took was the animal I rode. I went out by night by the Valley Gate past the Dragon's Spring and to the Dung Gate, and I inspected the walls of Jerusalem that had been broken down and its gates that had been destroyed by fire. Then I went on to the Fountain Gate and to the King's Pool; but there was no place for the animal I was riding to continue. So I went up by way of the valley by night and inspected the wall. Then I turned back and entered by the Valley Gate, and so returned. The officials did not know where I had gone or what I was doing; I had not yet told the Jews, the priests, the nobles, the officials, and the rest that were to do the work.

Then I said to them, 'You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burnt. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, so that we may no longer suffer disgrace.' I told them that the hand of my God had been gracious upon me, and also the words that the king had spoken to me. Then they said, 'Let us start building!' So they committed themselves to the common good. But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite official, and Geshem the Arab heard of it, they mocked and ridiculed us, saying, 'What is this that you are doing? Are you rebelling against the king?' Then I replied to them, 'The God of heaven is the one who will give us success, and we his servants are going to start building; but you have no share or claim or historic right in Jerusalem.'

Here endeth the first Lesson.

### **Magnificat**      Sumsion in G

My soul doth magnify the Lord:  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
For behold from henceforth:  
all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me:  
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him:  
throughout all generations.  
He hath shew-ed strength with his arm:  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat:  
And hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath fill-ed the hungry with good things:  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy: hath holpen his servant Israel:  
As he promised to our forefathers: Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

## Second Lesson

**John 8.31-38, 48-end**

The second Lesson is taken from the eighth chapter of the Gospel of St John beginning at the thirty first verse.

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' They answered him, 'We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free"?'

Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there for ever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you look for an opportunity to kill me, because there is no place in you for my word. I declare what I have seen in the Father's presence; as for you, you should do what you have heard from the Father.'

The Jews answered him, 'Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?' Jesus answered, 'I do not have a demon; but I honour my Father, and you dishonour me. Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is one who seeks it and he is the judge. Very truly, I tell you, whoever keeps my word will never see death.' The Jews said to him, 'Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, and so did the prophets; yet you say, "Whoever keeps my word will never taste death." Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets also died. Who do you claim to be?' Jesus answered, 'If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, he of whom you say, "He is our God", though you do not know him. But I know him; if I were to say that I do not know him,

I would be a liar like you. But I do know him and I keep his word. Your ancestor Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day; he saw it and was glad.' Then the Jews said to him, 'You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?' Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.' So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Here endeth the Second Lesson

### **Nunc Dimitis** Sumsion in G

Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:  
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation:  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

### **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried:  
He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion  
of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body,  
And the Life everlasting. Amen.

### **Responses - Ferial**

The Lord be with you  
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we  
forgive them that trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

**And grant us thy salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen;

**And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

**And make thy chosen people joyful.**

O Lord, save thy people;

**And bless thine inheritance.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord;

**Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us;

**And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

## Collects

Let us pray.

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Amen.**

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**And with thy spirit**  
Let us bless the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**  
May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.  
**And rise in glory. Amen.**

**Anthem** Parry, My soul, there is a country

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| 1 My soul, there is a country<br>Far beyond the stars,<br>Where stands a winged sentry<br>All skilful in the wars:                    | 3 He is thy gracious friend<br>And, O my soul, awake!<br>Did in pure love descend<br>To die here for thy sake.                     |
| 2 There, above noise and danger<br>Sweet Peace sits crowned with smiles<br>And One, born in a manger<br>Commands the beauteous files. | 4 If thou canst get but thither,<br>There grows the flow'r of Peace,<br>The Rose that cannot wither,<br>Thy fortress and thy ease. |
| 5 Leave then thy foolish ranges,<br>For none can thee secure<br>But One who never changes,<br>Thy God, thy life, thy cure.            |  |

**Homily - Canon Daphne Green**

**Intercessions** - the response may vary, but often is as follows:

Lord, in your mercy  
Hear our prayer

## HYMN

NEH 461

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1 There's a wideness in God's mercy  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in his justice  
Which is more than liberty.

2 There is no place where earth's sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heaven;  
There is no place where earth's failings  
Have such kindly judgement given.

3 For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of our mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.

4 But we make his love too narrow  
By false limits of our own;  
And we magnify his strictness  
With a zeal he will not own.

5 There is plentiful redemption  
In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members  
In the sorrows of the Head.

6 There is grace enough for thousands  
Of new worlds as great as this;  
There is room for fresh creations  
In that upper home of bliss.

7 If our love were but more simple,  
We should take him at his word;  
And our lives would be all gladness  
In the joy of Christ our Lord.

## The Blessing

The LORD bless you and keep you;  
The LORD make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## Prayer Requests

R.I.P. Rosie Buffle

*We pray for the Buffle family and their friends as they mourn*

R.I.P. Julie Kensington

*We pray for Julian, their family and friends as they mourn*

We pray for the sick who are known to us, and those caring for them, especially for Robin Bailey, Lucinda Riis-Johannessen, Alice Bonjour, Peter James, Elizabeth Brown, Judi Cianci, Ruth Wyler, Germain, Samuel Kalibala, Sheila Mathewson, Joyce McNulty, Trevor Thomas, Donat Vickers, Diana Dickinson, Morgan Slessor, Denise Muhlethaler, Sue Lloyd, Nathan Zabula, Maya Mortimer, Rosabelle de Silva, José Martinez, Marianne Wheatley, Silvio Morson, Anna Porraccin, Valerie Slessor, Frances Boo, Rémy Boo, Jenny Syratchev, George Thomasz, Lorensz Ranasinghe.

Pray for the Church of Sweden.

Pray for the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople (Turkey), for Patriarch Bartholomew and the autocephalous Orthodox Churches and their leaders.

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**(1 Chronicles 29:14)**

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### Services Next Week

Sunday 2nd of October

09:00 BCP Eucharist

10:30 Common Worship Eucharist  
& Baptism of Zana Zabula

18:00 Choral Evensong

### Blessing of the Animals Service

Sunday 2nd of October at 16:00

At Emmanuel Church Garden.

We are invited to join the congregation - please bring along your pets - dogs, cats, parrots - all are welcome!



## SERVICES in OCTOBER 2022

Sunday	2 Oct	9h BCP Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Eucharist and Baptism in Church & Online 18h Choral Evensong
Wednesday	5 Oct	10h CW Eucharist Online
Thursday	6 Oct	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday	9 Oct	9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Eucharist in Church & Online 18h Choral Eucharist
Wednesday	12 Oct	10h BCP Eucharist Online
Thursday	13 Oct	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Stewardship Sunday	16 Oct	9h CW Eucharist and Stewardship Service 10h30 CW Eucharist and Stewardship Service in Church & Online 16h Messy Church 18h Joint Evensong at St Thérèse
Wednesday	19 Oct	10h CW Eucharist Online
Thursday	20 Oct	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday	23 Oct	10h Combined morning CW Eucharist in Church & Online, followed by Vision & Strategy Meeting & Lunch 18h Choral Evensong
Wednesday	26 Oct	10h BCP Eucharist Online
Thursday	27 Oct	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday	30 Oct	9h CW All Saints Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW All Saints Eucharist in Church & Online 18h All Souls Memorial Eucharist

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Sunday 29th of October - Brick a brac

9:30 - 13:00 in Church