

St Michael and All Angels Galleywood

Sunday 26th October 2025



Service of the Word

Welcome

Introduction

God, our guide and our protector,
as we gather today in your holy house,
open our minds and souls and hearts,
that we may be inclined to hear the gentle direction
of your spirit in our lives.
Help us follow you as you lead us
to the land you have created for us,
where we may dwell with you and in you. Amen.

MP 25

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him,
In his presence daily live.

*I surrender all,
I surrender all,
All to thee, my blessèd Saviour,
I surrender all.*

All to Jesus I surrender,
Humbly at his feet I bow;
Worldly pleasures all forsaken,
Take me, Jesus, take me now.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Saviour, wholly thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that thou art mine.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Lord, I give myself to thee;
Fill me with thy love and power,
Let thy blessing fall on me.

All to Jesus I surrender,
Now I feel the sacred flame;
O the joy of full salvation!
Glory, glory to his name!

J.W. van de Venter

Hymn MP 966

Wonderful grace that gives what I don't deserve,
pays me what Christ has earned then lets me go free.
Wonderful grace that gives me the time to change,
washes away the stains that once covered me.
And all that I have I lay at the feet
of the wonderful Saviour who loves me.

Wonderful love that held in the face of death,
breathed in its final breath forgiveness for me.
Wonderful love whose power can break every chain
giving us life again setting us free.
And all that I have I lay at the feet
of the wonderful Saviour who loves me.

John Pantry

Hymn - All I have and all I am is yours (not in MP)

All I have and all I am is Yours
there's nothing that I have on earth
that doesn't come from You.
I lay aside my pride and worldly worth;
serve You is the greatest thing
that I could ever do.

*For unless You build this house,
I am building it in vain.
Unless the work is Yours,
there is nothing to be gained.
I want something that will stand
when Your holy fire comes;
something that will last,
and to hear You say 'well done',*

*giving glory to You, Lord,
glory to You, Lord.*

So easy to desire what others have,
Instead of seeing all the gifts that You have given me.
So help me fan the flame which You began,
And burn in me a love for You that all will clearly see.

*For unless You build this house,
I am building it in vain.
Unless the work is Yours,
there is nothing to be gained.
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when Your holy fire comes;
something that will last,
and to hear You say 'well done',
giving glory to You, Lord,
glory to You, Lord.*

Lou Fellingham

Confession

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**O King enthroned on high,
Filling the earth with your glory:
Holy is your name,
Lord God almighty.
In our sinfulness we cry out to you
To take our guilt away,
And to cleanse our lips to speak your word,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Absolution

May the God of love and power
Forgive us and free us from our sins.
Heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
And raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen. Thanks be to God

Collect for Last Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer for Sonlight and Mega as they leave

Hymn (not in MP) How great the chasm

¹How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke your name into the night
Then through the darkness
Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

²Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The king of kings calls me His own
Beautiful saviour, I'm yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

³Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope
Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

⁴Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
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Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, yours is the victory, whoa!

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Jesus Christ, my living hope
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You have broken every chain
There's salvation in your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, you are my living hope

(Phil Wickham and Brian Johnson)

Mission Update: Made for More

1st Reading – Joel 2^{23-end}

- ²³ Be glad, people of Zion,
rejoice in the Lord your God,
for he has given you the autumn rains
because he is faithful.
He sends you abundant showers,
both autumn and spring rains, as before.
- ²⁴ The threshing-floors will be filled with grain;
the vats will overflow with new wine and oil.
- ²⁵ 'I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten –
the great locust and the young locust,
the other locusts and the locust swarm^[b] –
my great army that I sent among you.
- ²⁶ You will have plenty to eat, until you are full,

and you will praise the name of the Lord your God,
 who has worked wonders for you;
 never again will my people be shamed.

²⁷ Then you will know that I am in Israel,
 that I am the Lord your God,
 and that there is no other;
 never again will my people be shamed.

The day of the Lord

²⁸ 'And afterwards,
 I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
 Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
 your old men will dream dreams,
 your young men will see visions.

²⁹ Even on my servants, both men and women,
 I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

³⁰ I will show wonders in the heavens
 and on the earth,
 blood and fire and billows of smoke.

³¹ The sun will be turned to darkness
 and the moon to blood
 before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

³² And everyone who calls
 on the name of the Lord will be saved;
 for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem
 there will be deliverance,
 as the Lord has said,
 even among the survivors
 whom the Lord calls.

2nd reading - Luke 18⁹⁻¹⁴

The parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector

⁹ To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰ 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: "God, I thank you that I am not like other people – robbers, evildoers, adulterers – or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get."

¹³ 'But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, "God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

¹⁴ 'I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Sermon

Hymn 396

Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Ellio

Affirmation of faith

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Thanksgiving for our Offering

**As you have given us, may we give our money work and care
As you have loved us, may we love all people everywhere. Amen**

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Notices and family news

MP 1087

**Lord, I come before your throne of grace;
I find rest in your presence
and fullness of joy.**

In worship and wonder I behold your face,
singing, 'What a faithful God have I.'

*What a faithful God have I,
what a faithful God.
What a faithful God have I,
faithful in every way.*

2. Lord of mercy, you have heard my cry;
through the storm you're the beacon,
my song in the night.
In the shelter of your wings hear my heart's reply,
singing, 'What a faithful God have I.'

What a faithful God have I...

3. Lord all-sovereign, granting peace from heaven,
let me comfort those who suffer
with the comfort you have given.
I will tell of your great love for as long as I live,
singing, 'What a faithful God have I.'

What a faithful God have I...

Robert & Dawn Critchley

Blessing

May God the Father keep you in all your days.
May God the Son shield you in all your ways.
May God the Spirit bring you healing and peace.
May God the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from you
and pour upon you blessing and light.

Amen.

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