



The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

Order of Service for 20th July 2025 The Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

*Eucharistic Liturgy - Thanksgiving of the People of God
commencing on page 404 ANZPB/HKMOA*

Presider: The Lord be with you.
 The Lord bless you.

We stand

Opening Hymn: ***Come, Celebrate the Women***

Words: Shirley Erena Murray © 1992 Hope Publishing Company

Tune: ELLACOMBE [CP157]

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| <p>1 Come, celebrate the women
who brought the Church to birth!
the gentle revolution
that shall transform the earth:
whose faith was salt and leaven,
whose hearts and minds were free,
and this was their direction --
to peace and unity.</p> | <p>2 The teachers, saints and mothers
who lived and died unsung
kept safe the gospel story
and taught it to the young;
the Christ child Mary cradled,
the living Word to be,
was crucified for pleading
this peace and unity.</p> |
| <p>3 Daughters of the disciples,
you weave the story still,
the fabric of the future
with warmth and love and skill,
you make the bread of wholeness,
the wine of harmony --
and all shall share your feasting
in peace and unity!</p> | |

The Presider may greet the people informally before continuing

The Gathering of the Community

Page 404: Grace and peace ...

Page 405: Almighty God ...
Glory to God in the highest ...

Page 406: **The Summary of the Law**
Hear the teaching of Christ ...

Page 407: Hear God's word to all ...

Page 408: The peace of Christ ...

Sentence: In returning and rest you shall be saved;
in quietness and trust shall be your strength. *Isaiah 30:16*

Collect: God of all delight,
grant us that joy which none can take from us,
of having a work to do,
and a life to live;
that joy in believing which will carry us through.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Reading: **Genesis 18: 1-10a**
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15 (ANZPB)

¹ Lord, who may be a guest in your house:
or who may dwell on your holy mountain?

² **One who leads a blameless life:**
who does what is right,
and speaks truthfully from the heart,

- 3 whose tongue is free from malice,
who never wrongs a friend:
and utters no reproach against a neighbour,
- 4 **who does not honour the unworthy:
but makes much of those who fear the Lord.**
- 5 Such a one stands by a promise given:
though it be at personal disadvantage,
- 6 **and will not take interest on a loan:
nor accept a bribe
to testify against the innocent.**
- 7 Whoever does all this:
shall never be overthrown.

Reading: **Colossians 1: 15-28**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: **Blessed are the pure in heart**

SG372 / HFTC110 - Words: John Keble

Tune: FRANCONIA [CP391]

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| <p>1 Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.</p> <p>2 The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring;
to dwell in lowliness with us,
our pattern and our king;</p> | <p>3 Still to the lowly soul
himself he will impart;
and for his dwelling and his throne
chooses the pure in heart.</p> <p>4 Lord, we your presence seek:
our inner life renew;
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple fit for you.</p> |
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Gospel Reading: **Luke 10: 38-42**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke,
chapter ten, beginning at the thirty-eighth verse.
Praise and glory to God.

After the reading: This is the Gospel of Christ.
Praise to Christ, the Word.

The Sermon

The Affirmation of Faith

Page 410 **The Nicene Creed**

Prayers of the People

(adapted from 'Let Us Pray' - Janet Nelson)

God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

In a moment of silence, we pray for our own needs.

Silence

Those things, good Lord,
that your servants have prayed for,
give us grace to work for;
**and in the purpose of your love
answer our prayers and fulfil our hopes
for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

We stand

The Ministry of the Sacrament

Page 419 The peace of Christ ...

*We may share a sign of Christ's peace with those around us by shaking hands
(or appropriate alternative) and/or by saying "Peace be with you".*

*As we sing the next Hymn, the bread and wine are brought to the altar; our offerings for
the Foodbank and money to support ministry and mission are collected and presented also.*

Offertory Hymn: Hidden Christ, alive for ever

SG530 - Words: Brian Wren / © Stainer & Bell

Tune: **BLAENWERN** [CP301]

1 Hidden Christ, alive for ever,
Saviour, Servant, Friend and Lord,
year by year, unseen, you offer
life undying, love outpoured.
Day by day, you walk among us,
known and honoured, yet concealed,
freeing, chiding, leading, guiding,
till your glory is revealed.

2 Endless orbits by our planet
spinning round its speeding star
cannot trace creation's secret:
why we live, and whose we are.
Jesus, you alone uncover
nature's rhythm, reason, rhyme,
so your birthday is our centre:
hinge of history and time.

3 Still your life and way of living,
God-revealing, Spirit-blown,
teaching, healing, sins forgiving,
measure and inspire our own;
loving earth's despised, rejected,
till with them you hang in pain,
broken, buried, resurrected,
life laid down, our life to gain.

4 Who can tell, through earthly eons,
all your loving power has done,
changing hearts and shaping nations,
seeking all, rejecting none?
Speeches fail, but songs soar higher,
tracing how, in every place,
twice ten hundred years
have numbered
countless works of boundless grace!

5 Christ our hope, alive among us,
take our love, our work, our prayer.
We will trust and tell your purpose,
braving evil and despair;
in your name befriending, mending,
making peace and setting free,
showing, giving and acclaiming
signs of joy and jubilee.

The Preparation of the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving

Page 420 The Lord is here ...

The Lord's Prayer

Page 424 Our Father in heaven ...

The Invitation

Page 427 Draw near and receive ...

*Communion will be served at standing stations at the Sanctuary steps - all are welcome to receive the bread and wine at communion, (however please note that intinction, ie dipping the wafer into the wine chalice, is **NOT** permitted); although you are welcome to receive the bread only if you prefer, or to come forward for a blessing only.*

If you need communion served to you in your seat, please indicate to the servers.

Prayer after Communion

Page 429 Almighty God, giver of all good things ...

The Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus
and the blessing of God our Creator,
Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.
Amen.

We share any notices and news

Closing Hymn: **Immortal, invisible, God only wise**

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Tune: **ST DENIO** (Welsh Traditional) [CP474]

- 1 **Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes;
most holy, most glorious, the ancient of days,
almighty, victorious,
your great name we praise.**
- 2 **Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting nor wasting, you rule us in might;
your justice like mountains high soaring above,
your clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.**
- 3 **To all you are giving, to both great and small,
in all you are living, the true life of all:
we blossom and flourish, uncertain and frail;
we wither and perish,
but you never fail.**
- 4 **We worship before you, great Father of light,
while angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
our praises we render, O Father, to you
whom only the splendour of light
hides from view.**

The Dismissal

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.
Amen. We go in the name of Christ.



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