



# The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

## Order of Service for 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025

*The Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time*

*Eucharistic Liturgy - Thanksgiving for Creation and Redemption  
commencing on page 456 ANZPB/HKMOA*

We stand

Opening Hymn: ***Praise, my soul, the King of heaven***

SG93 / CP381 – Words: from Psalm 103 - Henry Francis Lyte

Tune: **LAUDA ANIMA** (Goss)

- 1 **Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet your tribute bring:  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise shall sing?  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King!**
- 2 **Praise him for his grace and favour  
to his people in distress.  
Praise him, still the same as ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Glorious in his faithfulness!**
- 3 **Fatherlike he tends and spares us;  
all our hopes and fears he knows.  
In his hands he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Widely as his mercy flows!**

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- 4    **Angels, help us to adore him;  
you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace!**

*The Presider may greet the people informally before continuing*

### ***The Gathering of the Community***

**Page 456:**            In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life.  
**Amen.**

Grace to you and peace ...

**Page 457:**            Let us give thanks ...

O give thanks to our God ...

**Page 458:**            Happy are those whose sins are forgiven ...

**Sentence:**            You, O Lord are my hope, my trust from my youth.  
Upon you have I leaned since my birth. *Psalm 7:5–6*

**Collect:**            Universal and unchanging God,  
we are one, unalterably one,  
with all the human race.  
**Grant that we who share Christ's blood  
may, through your unifying Spirit,  
break down the walls that divide us.  
Hear this prayer for your love's sake.  
Amen.**

**Reading:**            **Isaiah 58: 9b–14**

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

## **Psalm 103: 1-8 (ANZPB)**

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord O my soul:  
**and all that is within me praise God's holy name.**
- <sup>2</sup> Praise the Lord O my soul:  
**and forget not all that God has done for you.**
- <sup>3</sup> The Lord forgives you all your sin:  
**and heals you of all your infirmities.**
- <sup>4</sup> The Lord saves your life from the grave:  
**and crowns you with love and mercy.**
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord fills your life with good things:  
**so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**
- <sup>6</sup> You Lord are righteous in your acts:  
**and bring justice to all that are oppressed.**
- <sup>7</sup> You showed your ways to Moses:  
**your deeds to the children of Israel.**
- <sup>8</sup> You are full of compassion and mercy:  
**slow to anger and rich in kindness.**

*Reading:*

**Hebrews 12: 18-29**

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

Gradual Hymn: ***Be still, for the presence of the Lord***

*SG7 / CP383 - Words & Music: David Evans*

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- <sup>1</sup> **Be still for the presence of the Lord,  
the Holy One, is here.  
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.  
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the Holy One, is here.**

- 2 **Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;  
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.**
- 3 **Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place,  
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.  
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him;  
be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.**

*Gospel Reading:* **Luke 13: 10-17**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke,  
chapter thirteen, beginning at the tenth 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 461*      **The Apostles' Creed**

## **Prayers of the People**

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

Loving God, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

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

*Silence*

God, you shape our dreams.  
**As we put our trust in you  
may your hopes and desires be ours,  
and we your expectant people.  
Amen.**

We stand

## **The Ministry of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

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The peace of God ...

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: Shine, Jesus, Shine**

**(Lord, The Light of Your Love is Shining)**

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- 1 **Lord, the light of your love is shining,  
in the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,  
set us free by the truth you now bring us,  
shine on me, shine on me:**

Refrain: **Shine, Jesus, shine,  
fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze,  
set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow,  
flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word,  
Lord, and let there be light!**

- 2 **Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
from the shadows into your radiance;  
by the blood I may enter your brightness,  
search me, try me, consume all my darkness:  
shine on me, shine on me:**

Refrain

- 3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness,  
so our faces display your likeness,  
ever changing from glory to glory,  
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story:  
shine on me, shine on me:

Refrain: *Shine, Jesus, shine,  
fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze,  
set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow,  
flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your word,  
Lord, and let there be light!*

### **The Preparation of the Gifts**

Page 467 God of all creation ...

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Page 467 The Spirit of God ...

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Page 470 Our Father in heaven ...

### **The Invitation**

Page 472 Bread and wine ...

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**

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Most loving God ...

### **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:

#### **Guide me, O my great Redeemer**

SG638 / CP565 – Words: W Williams

Tune: CWM RHONDDA

- 1 **Guide me, O my great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but you are mighty;  
hold me with your powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.**
- 2 **Open now the crystal fountain,  
where the healing waters flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
ever be my strength and shield,  
ever be my strength and shield.**
- 3 **When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever sing to you,  
I will ever sing to you.**

**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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