



The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

Order of Service for 7th September 2025 The Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

*Eucharistic Liturgy - Thanksgiving of the People of God
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Presider: This is the day which the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

We stand

Opening Hymn: **Fill now my life, O Lord my God**
SG665 – Words: Horatius Bonar - Tune: RICHMOND

1
Fill now my life, O Lord my God,
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
your being and your ways.

2
Not for the lip of praise alone,
nor yet the praising heart,
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part.

3
Praise in the common things of life,
its goings out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
exalted or unseen.

4
Fill every part of me with praise:
let all my being speak
of you and of your love, O Lord,
poor though I be and weak.

5
Then, Lord, from me you shall receive
the praise and glory due;
and so shall I begin on earth
the song for ever new.

6
So shall no part of day and night
from sacredness be free;
but all my life, with you my God,
in fellowship shall be.

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 ...

We sit or kneel

Page 406: **A New Commandment**
Hear the teaching of Christ ...

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

Page 408: The peace of Christ ...

Sentence: Whoever does not carry the cross and follow Jesus
cannot be his disciple. *Luke 14:27*

Collect: Servant God, grant us opportunity,
give us willingness to serve you day by day;
**that what we do and how we bear each other's burdens,
may be our sacrifice to you.**
Hear this prayer for your love's sake. Amen.

Reading: **Deuteronomy 30:15–20**

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

Psalm 1 (ANZPB)

¹ Blessed are those
who do not follow the counsel of the wicked:
**or linger in the way of sinners,
or sit down among those who mock.**

² But their delight is in the law of the Lord:
and on that law they meditate day and night.

- 3 They are like trees planted beside a watercourse:
which yield their fruit in due season.
- 4 Their leaves also do not wither:
and look, whatever they do it shall prosper.
- 5 As for the wicked, it is not so with them:
but they are like the chaff,
which is driven away by the wind.
- 6 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand
when judgment comes:
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
- 7 For the Lord watches over
the way of the righteous:
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Reading: **Philemon : verses 1–21**

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

Gradual Hymn: ***Your words to me are life and health***

TiS 430 – Words: GC Martin - Tune: **CAPEL** (trad. English melody)

- 1 **Your words to me are life and health,
put strength into my soul;
enable, guide, and teach my heart
to reach its perfect goal.**
- 2 **Your words to me are light and truth;
from day to day I know
their wisdom, passing human thought,
as in their truth I grow.**
- 3 **Your words to me are full of joy,
of beauty, peace, and grace;
from them I learn Your perfect will,
through them I see Your face.**

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- 4 Your words are perfected in one,
Yourself, the living Word;
print Your own image in my heart
in clearest lines, my Lord.

Gospel Reading: **Luke 14: 25-33**

The Holy Gospel according to Luke,
chapter fourteen, beginning at the twenty-fifth 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 ourselves and our ministries.

Silence

Your word is a lamp for our feet.
**In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy,
help us heavenly Father,
to trust your love, to serve your purpose,
and to praise your name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We stand

The Ministry of the Sacrament

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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: 'Take up your cross,' the Saviour said

SG645 – Words: Charles Everest - Tune: **BRESLAU**

- 1 'Take up your cross', the Saviour said,
if you would my disciple be;
deny yourself, forsake the world,
and humbly follow after me.**
- 2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
fill your weak soul with vain alarm;
Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up
and brace your heart and nerve your arm.**
- 3 Take up your cross, nor heed the shame
nor let your foolish pride rebel;
the Lord for you endured the cross
to save your soul from death and hell.**
- 4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength,
and calmly every danger brave:
He guides us to a better home
and leads to victory o'er the grave.**
- 5 Take up your cross and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only they who bear the cross
may hope to win the glorious crown.**

The Preparation of the Gifts

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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 God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you for ever.
Amen.

We share any notices and news

Closing Hymn: **Lift High the Cross**

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Refrain: **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his glorious name!**

**Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
if we are silent, even stones cry out.**

Refrain

**Jesus, you wept to see our human strife,
teach us compassion for each human life.**

Refrain

**Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme,
let peace be our passport, peace a living dream.**

Refrain

**Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God.**

Refrain

**Worlds to be born and children yet to be
come, take up this song into eternity.**

Refrain

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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