



The Anglican Parish of Greater Hastings

Order of Service for 25th October 2026 The Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

Presider: Grace and peace to you from God.
God fill you with truth and joy.

We stand

Opening Hymn: Love divine, all loves excelling

CP516(ii) - Words: Charles Wesley / Jubilate Hymns

*Tune: **Blaenwern** [W P Rowlands]]*

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| <p>1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven,
to earth come down,
fix in us your humble dwelling,
all your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, you are all compassion,
pure, unbounded love impart;
visit us with your salvation,
enter every trembling heart.</p> | <p>2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all your grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more your temples leave.
We would always give you blessing,
serve you as your hosts above,
pray, and praise you
without ceasing,
glory in your perfect love.</p> |
| <p>3 Finish then your new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see your great salvation,
perfect in eternity:
Changed from glory into glory
till in heaven we take our place,
there to sing salvation's story
lost in wonder, love, and praise!</p> | |

The Presider may greet the people informally before continuing

The Gathering of the Community

Page 404: This is the day ...

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

Page 406: Hear the teaching of Christ ...

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

Page 408: The peace of Christ ...

Sentence: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your mind.
This is the great and first commandment.
And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour
as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law
and the prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

Collect: Almighty God, you teach us in your word
that love is the fulfilment of the law:
**grant that we may love you with all our heart
and our neighbour as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Reading: **Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18 - Acts of justice**
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 (ANZPB)

- ¹ Blessèd 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: **1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8** - *The apostle's concern*
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

We stand to sing the Gradual hymn

Gradual Hymn: God whose almighty word

SG597 - Words: John Marriott - Tune: Moscow

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| <p>1 God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight:
Hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light!</p> <p>2 Saviour, who came to bring
on your redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the troubled mind,
sight to the inward blind:
now to all humankind
let there be light!</p> | <p>3 Spirit of truth and love,
life giving, holy dove,
speed on your flight!
Move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace
and, in earth's darkest place,
let there be light!</p> <p>4 Gracious and holy Three,
glorious Trinity,
wisdom, love, might!
Boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world, far and wide,
Let there be light!</p> |
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We remain standing for the reading of the Gospel

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 34-46 - Loving God and Neighbour

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew,
chapter twenty-two, beginning at the thirty-fourth verse.
Praise and glory to God.

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

The Sermon

*There may be a brief moment of silence and/or a musical reflection following the Sermon;
then we stand*

The Affirmation of Faith

Page 410 The Nicene 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 ourselves and our ministries:

Silence

Lord, you have called us to serve you.
Grant that we may walk in your presence:
your love in our hearts,
your truth in our minds,
your strength in our wills;
until, at the end of our journey,
we know the joy of our homecoming
and the welcome of your embrace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Ministry of the Sacrament

We stand

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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: Maker of Mystery

HIOS #47 - Words: © Marnie Barrell, 1996

Alt. tune: Down Ampney

**1 Maker of mystery,
dreamer of what will be,
wellspring and fertile ground
of all our growing:
tending the buried seed,
foreseeing every need,
you draw us into life
beyond our knowing.**

**2 Christ, strong and living vine
spreading through space and time,
deep-rooted in the love of God
our Mother:
dying, you live and share
your strength with us, to bear
ripe fruit in season for the life
of others.**

**3 Wild Spirit, springing green,
coiled in the depths unseen,
promise of seed within
the fruit maturing:
new life, you grow and swell,
burst from the outgrown shell,
hundredfold yield in every age
ensuring.**

**4 Living and loving God,
sing in the pulse of our blood;
help us to know you
in your own creation,
love you, the life of all,
serve you and hear your call
from our first forming
to our full salvation.**

The Preparation of the Gifts

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Blessed are you ...

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: **Lord, Whose Love In Humble Service**

Words: Albert F. Bayly (1961) – GIA Publications © Oxford University Press

Alt. tune: Hyfrydol

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon on the cross, forsaken,
offered mercy's perfect deed;
we, your servants bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart:
consecrating to your purpose
every gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
use the love your Spirit kindles
still to save and make us whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love's revealing light,
in its the height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our human sight:
making known the needs and burdens
Your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to faithful service,
Your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called from worship into service
forth in your great name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged,
love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort,
counsel, aid, and peace we give
that your children, Lord, in freedom,
may your mercy know, and live.

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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