



St Andrew's Church

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Welcome to St Andrew's - may God's peace be with you

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity 6th September 2026

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President and Preacher : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Choral Eucharist with Baptism

President and Preacher: The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Deacon : The Rev'd Alison Baxter Healing : John and Sharon

2.00pm Bell ringing *by the Central Council of Bell Ringers*

4.00pm Volunteer Thank you Afternoon Tea

6.00pm Celtic Evening Prayer, Livestreamed on Teams

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Officiant : The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Preacher : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

If you have felt something special in this service and want to talk about faith, have a chat with one of the clergy or ministers after the service.

Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance.

The Gathering

Introit

Sung by the choir

Oculi omnium Wood

Opening Hymn

341: We turn to Christ anew

Please stand

The Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all

All And also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Introduction

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
that to enter the kingdom of heaven
we must be born again of water and the Spirit,
and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of this
new birth.

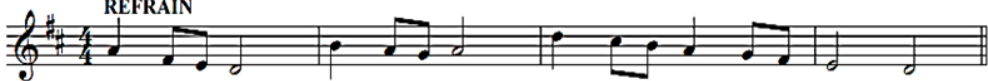
Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made
clean.

Here we are clothed with Christ,
dying to sin that we may live his risen life.
As children of God, we have a new dignity
and Christ calls us to fullness of life.

Gloria in Excelsis

We proclaim the glory of God by singing the following

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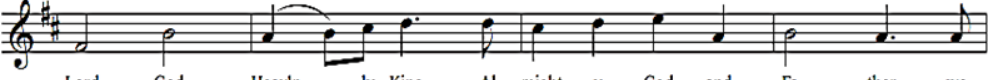


Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God in the High - est.

VERSE 1



Glo - ry to God in the High - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

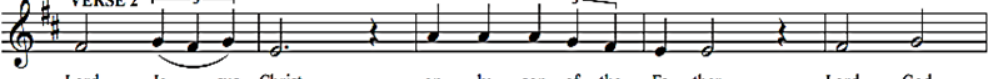


Lord God, Heav'n - ly King, Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

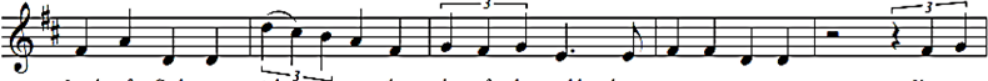


wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

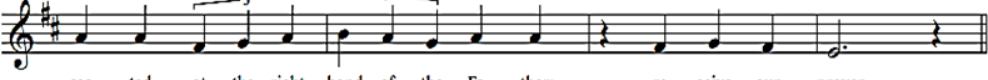
VERSE 2



Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther. Lord God,

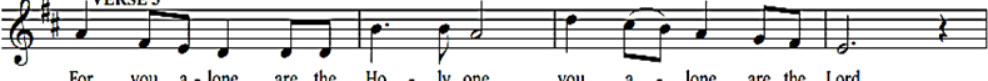


Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are



sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

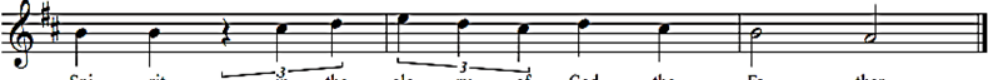
VERSE 3



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly one, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

The Collect

Heavenly Father,
by the power of your Holy Spirit
you give your faithful people new life in the water of
baptism.

Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again may serve you in faith and
love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus
Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit now and forever.

All Amen.

Gradual Hymn

604: Brother, sister, let me serve you

The Liturgy of the Word

Gospel Reading: Matthew 8:23-27

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according
to St Matthew

All 
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

²³ And when he got into the boat, his disciples
followed him. ²⁴ A gale arose on the lake, so great that
the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was
asleep. ²⁵ And they went and woke him up, saying,
'Lord, save us! We are perishing!' ²⁶ And he said to
them, 'Why are you afraid, you of little faith?' Then he
got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there

was a dead calm. ²⁷They were amazed, saying, ‘What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?’

This is the Gospel of the Lord



Sermon

Please sit.

The Liturgy of Baptism

Presentation of the Candidates

Mohammad and his sponsors stand in front of the congregation.

The president asks Mohammad the following question

Do you wish to be baptised?

I do

The president addresses the whole congregation

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.

People of God, will you welcome Mohammad and uphold him in his new life in Christ?

All With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

The president addresses Mohammad

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life in him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

آیا شما شیطان و تمامی شورشها بر ضد خداوند را رد می کنید؟
بله . من آنها را رد می کنم.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

آیا شما فریب و فساد شیطان را انکار می کنید؟
بله . من آنها را انکار می کنم.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

آیا شما از گناہانی که ما را از خدا و همسایگان جدا ساخته توبه می کنید؟
بله . من از آنها توبه می کنم.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

آیا شما به سمت مسیح به عنوان نجات دهنده خود می روید؟
بله . من به سمت مسیح می روم.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

آیا شما تسلیم مسیح می شوید به عنوان خداوند؟
بله . من تسلیم مسیح می شوم.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

I come to Christ.

آیا شما به سمت مسیح که راه، راستی و حیات است می روید؟
بله . من به سمت مسیح می روم.

Signing with the Cross

The president makes the sign of the cross on Mohammad, saying

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**All Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your
life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of
darkness, restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All Amen.

*All those who wish may join Mohammad and the ministers
around the font.*

Water is poured into the font.

Praise God who made heaven and earth
All who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.

Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through water you led the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.

In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.

In it we are buried with Christ in his death.

By it we share in his resurrection.

Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we baptise into this fellowship those who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, they may be cleansed from sin and born again.

Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Profession of Faith

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together
with Mohammad the faith of the Church.

**I believe in God, the
Father almighty, creator
of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and
was buried; he descended
to the dead.
On the third day he rose
again; he ascended into
heaven, he is seated at the
right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the
body, and the life
everlasting.
Amen.**

من ایمان دارم به خدای پد قادر
مطلق، خالق آسمان و زمین، و
به پسر یگانه او خداوند ما عیسی
مسیح که به واسطه روح القدس
در رحم قرار گرفت و از مریم
باکره متولد شد و در حکومت
پنطیوس پیلاطس الم کشید و
مصلوب شده بمرد و مدفون
گردید، و به عالم ارواح نزول کرد
و در روز سوم از مردگان
برخاست، به آسمان صعود نموده
و به دست راست خدای پدر قادر
مطلق نشسته است و از آنجا
خواهد آمد و زندگان و مردگان را
داوری نماید و من ایمان دارم به
روح القدس و به کلیسای مقدس
جامع و به شرکت مقدسین و به
آمرزش گناهان و به قیامت
ابدان و به حیات جاودان. آمین

Baptism

Mohammad, is this your faith?
This is my faith.

The president pours water on Mohammad, saying

Mohammad, I baptise you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

You have been clothed with Christ.
As many as are baptised into Christ have put on
Christ.

May God, who has received you by baptism into his
Church pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

All Amen.

The Welcome and Peace

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Mohammad, by the one Spirit we are all baptised into
one body.

**All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The congregation welcomes Mohammad to the family of faith with a round of applause.

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

The deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace. As the peace is exchanged, the congregation is invited to return to their seats.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

453: Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour

During which a collection is taken for the work of the Church of God in Rugby.

The Preparation of the Table

Please remain standing

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set
before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set
before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

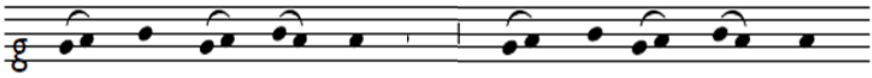
All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
Through your goodness we have ourselves to set
before you,
fruit of the womb and the work of your love.
We will become for you a holy people.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

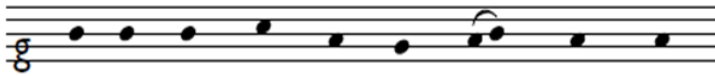
The president sings the sursum corda



The Lord be with you **All** and al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts **All** We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



All It is right to give thanks and praise

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living
Word, through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our
Saviour.

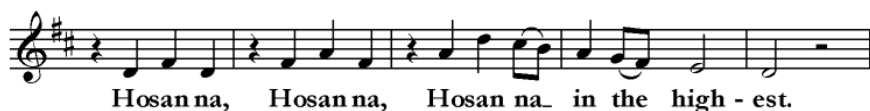
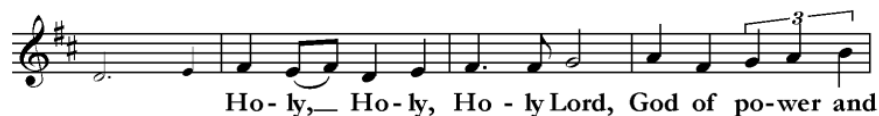
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks
because by water and the Holy Spirit
you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ
our Lord;
you raise us to new life in him
and renew in us the image of your glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus and Benedictus

We sing the following together



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus
Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

The sanctuary bell is rung

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness
of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

The sanctuary bell is rung. Deacon says

Great is the mystery of faith

We sing together



And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the
whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious
ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of St Andrew, the Blessed
Virgin Mary and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The sanctuary bell is rung

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All 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 forever.
Amen.**

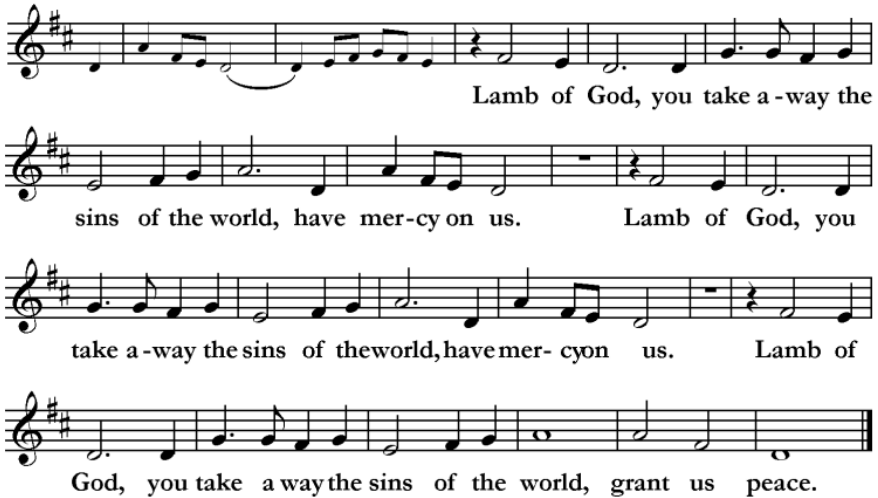
Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

We sing together



Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world, have mer- cyon us. Lamb of
God, you take a way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

All are welcome at the Lord's table. Those who are baptized may receive communion as directed by the stewards. If you are not baptized, you are warmly encouraged to come for a blessing. If you would like a gluten free host please let the minister know. During this part of the service, prayer ministry for wholeness and healing may be offered at the back of church.

Communion Hymn

462: Soul of my saviour

Anthem

Sung by the choir

Ubi caritas Gjeilo

Please remain seated

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, our beginning and our end,
preserve in your people the new life of baptism;
as Christ receives us on earth,
so may he guide us through the trials of this world
and enfold us in the joy of heaven,
where you live and reign,
one God forever and ever.

All Amen.

**All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus
Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Sending Out

Recessional Hymn

827: Ye servants of God

Please stand. During the final hymn, the choir and ministers process to the west end of church.

The minister invites Mohammad and his sponsors to come to the back of the church for the final blessing.

The Blessing

The God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The Giving of a Lighted Candle

The Deacon presents Mohammad with a lit candle and says

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**All Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God
the Father.**

The Dismissal

The Deacon concludes the service with the following

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

Those in need of our prayer this week

Healing prayer: George W, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Caroline, Lily, Denise, Mary S, Mary G, Cheryl W, David, S.M, Jane B, William B, Rosemary & John K, Sue P, Carol S, Patricia T, David P, Margaret S, Nick B, Prem M, Graham H

Baptism: The family and friends of Mohammad

News and Notices

Any item to be included should be with the office by Wednesday, 12noon

Renovation Works. Our Phase 1 building project is progressing well: the northern frontage of the church is being cleaned, stonework restored, window guards replaced, ecologically-sound floodlighting installed and the railings refurbished. We are very grateful for the support of Rugby Borough Council's town centre regeneration funding to enable this project. The church will remain open as normal throughout. We will be celebrating the project's completion

with the Deputy Mayor and other dignitaries after Evensong on Sunday 27th September – all are welcome!

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week around the talking table in the cafe, alternating on Thursday and Friday mornings. Contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

Bereavement Point 2pm - 3.30pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (plus the 5th if there is one!). Opportunity for group conversation and relationship building where everyone is welcome and comfort is offered <https://compassionaterugby.co.uk/>

Church Mice Stay and Play Group 10-11.30am Fridays (term time) for ages 0-4 years and it's free. Please spread the news where you can. Volunteers are warmly welcome—have a chat with Lydia, Joyce or Heather for more information. Thank you.

Peace Walk. Rugby's annual inter-faith Peace Walk takes on Sunday 13th September, starting at the Peace Tree beside Rugby Art Gallery and Museum at 2.30pm and visiting St Andrew's, the mosque, Hindu Temple and finishing at the Sikh Gurdwara at 5pm. All are welcome.

24/7 Prayer Week. From Sunday 6th to Sunday 13th September, Revive Rugby has organised prayer rooms that will be open in different churches across our town, as well as an online prayer room for late nights and early mornings. This will enable a chain of unbroken, day-and-night prayer, bringing friends, communities and churches together to seek the presence of God. For all the different daytime locations (8am–8pm), or to join online (8pm–8am), visit www.reviverugby.net, where you can find all the details. **St Andrew's is hosting the**

final day of prayer on Sunday 13th September – and we are looking for volunteers to welcome people to the church between 1 and 6pm – please have a word with one of the wardens or clergy if you can help.

Recycling Update Your continuing contributions of Milk Container Tops enabled a further bag of 3609 to be sent for recycling on 21 August providing a cumulative total of 22 bags that contained 76,495 Milk Container Tops which support the school in Africa. Thank you for your support of this and our other recycling initiatives - being tealights and candles, neither fragranced nor coloured; used postage stamps to aid the charity 'Knitted Knockers' which supports women who have had a mastectomy; your unwanted spectacles collected by Rugby Rokeby Lions; You can twin your toilet as members of the congregation have together with the Church Toilets and the Rectory Toilets, for more details please see <https://www.toilettwinning.org> - Thank you for your continued support allowing these items to be recycled and preventing them from going to landfill.

Could you volunteer? We are hosting stalls and music in the church garden as part of Rugby Food and Drink Festival on Saturday 19th September and we need some assistance, could you help? We particularly need assistance with an art activity, someone to take photographs of the event, someone to check on stall holders and take them a cup of tea and someone strong to carry out the tables and chairs before the event starts or to put them away afterwards. If you are able to volunteer, even an hour, please contact Jo on joanna.bryan@rugbychurch.org.uk or pop into the office.

Diary for the week 7th – 13th September

Church Community Café open Monday - Friday 9.30am-2pm

Saturday 9.30am-12noon

Monday

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Ball of Yarn knitting &
crochet group

10.30am Art with Aish

6.30am St Andrew's Community
Singers

7.30pm Bell Ringing practice

Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Reflective Eucharist

1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime
Concert

Wednesday

9.00am Morning Prayer

12.00pm Holy Communion

2.15pm Mothers' Union

5.00pm Young Choristers

Thursday

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Big Table Gospel group

6.00pm Holy Communion

7.15pm Choir practice

Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Church Mice

Saturday

Sunday 13th September 15th Sunday after Trinity

Battle of Britain Sunday

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Choral Eucharist

1-6pm Church open for 24/7
Prayer Week

2.30pm Inter-faith Peace Walk

6.00pm Evensong