

Welcome to this 14th Sunday after Trinity
Proper 19 Communion Service



The online services are a combination the service sheet with links to Revd Steven, the hymns, music etc

Instructions: [Click on the links in blue](#) to activate hymns and films as you read through the service. If an Error message comes up just wait and the link will start.

All the links on this online **service** can be seen on one playlist see: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-v3HHJqZACzUXjozXYxtmeFnu55pB7Q1>

For the Zoom service, see notices at the end of this service sheet.

Welcome

Welcome our 26th week of online services.

Hymn 1: Be Thou My Vision

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YxvXGgSIRcs>

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Confession

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments

and to live in love and peace with all.

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon *us*,
pardon and deliver *us* from all *our* sins,
confirm and strengthen *us* in all goodness,
and keep *us* in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7C4DvKOfE>

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

The Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Reading 1 Exodus 14:19-31

19 Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, 20 coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long.

21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, 22 and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

23 The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. 24 During the last watch of the night the Lord looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion. 25 He jammed[a] the wheels of their chariots so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, "Let's get away from the Israelites! The Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

26 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen." 27 Moses

stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward[b] it, and the Lord swept them into the sea. 28 The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen—the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.

29 But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. 30 That day the Lord saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. 31 And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the Lord displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Reading 2 Romans 14:1-12

The Weak and the Strong

14 Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarreling over disputable matters. 2 One person's faith allows them to eat anything, but another, whose faith is weak, eats only vegetables. 3 The one who eats everything must not treat with contempt the one who does not, and the one who does not eat everything must

not judge the one who does, for God has accepted them. 4 Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall. And they will stand, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

5 One person considers one day more sacred than another; another considers every day alike. Each of them should be fully convinced in their own mind. 6 Whoever regards one day as special does so to the Lord. Whoever eats meat does so to the Lord, for they give thanks to God; and whoever abstains does so to the Lord and gives thanks to God. 7 For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone. 8 If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. 9 For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister[a]? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. 11 It is written:

“As surely as I live,” says the Lord,

‘every knee will bow before me;

every tongue will acknowledge God.’”

12 So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn 2 Be still for the presence of the Lord

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZugvUQ4m90U>

Gospel Reading Matthew 18:21-35

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

21 Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?”

22 Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

23 “Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24 As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. 25 Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

26 “At this the servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back

everything.’ 27 The servant’s master took pity on him, cancelled the debt and let him go.

28 “But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. ‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded.

29 “His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.’

30 “But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. 31 When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

32 “Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. 33 Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ 34 In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

35 “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Sermon by Revd Steven Poss

Exodus 14:19-end - Crossing the Red Sea

Romans 14:1-12 - Do Not Judge Another

Matthew 18:21-35 - Forgiveness

Sermon

The theme of forgiveness is carried forward from the previous weeks, where our Lord calls us to carry our cross daily and part of that is to love our neighbours as ourselves and to seek reconciliation and restoration when one sins against the other. This week we hear of the unforgiving servant who ignores the advice from our Lord to forgive his neighbours and finds himself in trouble for not doing so.

Forgiveness is a tough ask for anyone, but in overcoming the obstacles that prevent us in forgiving the person, there is great reward in us being relieved of the ongoing anger inside of us and the guilt which is living in the person who sinned against us which can often wound us. In our Gospel reading at the end, Jesus asks us to forgive from the heart, which is more than saying to the person, I forgive you.

To forgive from the heart is to pass the matter over to God and to ask for his healing, grace and strength to do



so and to try not to have any ill feeling towards the person again and to try and live in peace with them. It doesn't mean that you need to continue to socialise with them, but to continue to live life without holding a grudge against that person.

The Exodus reading is a story of rescue and redemption which tells of the redemption of the Israelites from Egypt across the red sea and shows us that restoration is at the heart of God, as we can see on the cross. God wants to draw all back to himself through the work and restoration of the cross. This includes the work of forgiveness as the grace and strength received from the work of the cross and the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives can help us to draw ourselves closer to God and to each other.

Crossing the sea is a great analogy for us in the work of forgiveness. It can seem daunting in forgiving, like trying to cross a river, but by persevering through the waters, we can get to the other side feeling accomplished and for reaching that place where we can forgive from the heart and start to live a new chapter in a new land. We do not want to live with the unforgiveness in Egypt, we need to travel to the place of forgiveness to the new promised land.

Christ has gone down into the deep waters of death and raises us to life in triumph and it is in this triumph of love and forgiveness we live as Christians. We are

communal people bound together by biology, language, culture and economics, therefore we are try at all lengths to bring forgiveness into the situation when this community is at risk in dividing itself or if individuals seek to work alone. This is the work of the church as we heard last week, it is part of our mission and a way to represent our Lord. Our lives are entwined in living in community with each other and we may be like Peter where we feel forgiving 7 times is a great achievement, but 77 times? Here we gain an insight into the heart of God where we see unlimited forgiveness. The King in our Gospel story is God who has forgiven us an amount we cannot repay like the ten thousand talents (approximately £1 Billion in today's money), so we are to carry this forgiveness to others.

By advising us on constant forgiveness, our Lord and God is seeking to comfort us by not allowing us to live with the effects that not giving forgiveness brings to our lives. Paul also gives us some broader practical advice to include in our general conduct in his letter to the Romans, so that the Christian community may thrive in its mission.

So, if we are let down by someone, someone cheats on us, or loses their temper with us, says unkind things about us, breaks something of ours etc, forgiveness is the only way to overcome the feelings these situations bring to us. September is also the month of Creationtide when we think about our creation. Forgiveness is not

only a subject with our fellow human beings but with our creation too. May we spend sometime this week to pray the prayer below and call to mind the areas in our lives where we need forgiveness and where and who we need to give forgiveness to.

Our acts of forgiveness flow from our reconciliation through Christ with the Father, and our consequent participation in the life of God. We have been forgiving a great amount in our restoration with God and continue to be. May we also like have a forgiving and restoring heart, that we too may forgive others who sin against us, Amen.

The Litany of Reconciliation was written by Canon Joseph Poole in 1958 and today is prayed regularly by CCN members around the world, and by many others on an occasional basis. While framed around the seven deadly sins, it serves as a reminder that when we pray about the problems of the world around us, we need to begin by acknowledging the roots of those problems in our own hearts. The Litany is prayed, in a short ceremony taking at most ten minutes, at noon each weekday in Coventry Cathedral and in the Cathedral ruins on Fridays.

The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.
The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,

FATHER FORGIVE

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess
what is not their own,

FATHER FORGIVE

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and
lays waste the earth,

FATHER FORGIVE

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,

FATHER FORGIVE

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the
homeless, the refugee,

FATHER FORGIVE

The lust which dishonours the bodies of men, women
and children,

FATHER FORGIVE

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in
God,

FATHER FORGIVE

Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one
another, as God in Christ forgave you.).

Amen.

Hymn 3 Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kv0sXSBH2ks>

Profession of faith

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit**

Amen

Prayers of Intercession

**Intercessions: from the Costa Blanca
Anglican Community in Spain**

Prayers of Intercession - 14th Sunday of
Trinity

Everlasting God, Lord of compassion and
gracious understanding, we come with an openness to
express our concerns for the Church and the world, and
to thank you, for your goodness.



Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Merciful God, we recognise that the work of helping people through life can leave church leaders vulnerable to spiritual attack. We thank you for our church leaders and pray that they won't allow criticism or negativity to blunt their ministry; that they will hear encouragement, and that they will always respond in love and forgiveness when difficulties arise.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Creator God, we pray for our world, where through television, we see the misery and tragedy brought about by wrong choices and brought into our homes day by day. We pray for wisdom and compassion in all negotiations and decisions taken by our world and local leaders; and ask that there be humility in leadership and responsibility for right action shared by all and we particularly pray that this may apply to all things associated with the Pandemic.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Father God, help and guide our schools, colleges and universities as they return for a new educational year, especially with all their concerns about the Coronavirus and how they will cope with social distancing but still be with one another and learn with and from one another. May their teachers inspire a love of learning for its own

sake and kindle joy in all subjects and sports and help them to grow into caring and knowledgeable adults.

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, we raise before you those from our parishes who are ill, hospitalised or recuperating and for those we know within our families and circle of friends especially for:

Beryl Dixon
Christine Sibley
Cally Thorpe
Josh Pitman
Sue Wilson
Wyn Edwards
Georgia
Andy Smith

We pray too for all living and working in our care homes – Down Hall and The Swan keep them safe, Lord

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Merciful God, give us ears to hear and minds to understand the message of immortality for the children of your kingdom so that we may look forward with patience and confidence to that time when we will join you in the peace of eternity. And we especially pray for any we know who recently died and are on that journey to you.

We pray for:

Mick Garwood whose funeral is on Tuesday 29 September and for Molly, Richard, Penny and family.

David McNeill who died last week, from Burnham and we remember his wife Eva, son Paul and family

Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Faithful God, forgive us for those times when we treat ourselves with less kindness than you do. We want to believe in ourselves the way you believe in us and so as we go out to live the coming week show us more of the life you have designed especially for us to live

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Hymn 4 I am the bread of life hymn

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1CRMbh8ViUI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX4uC3a7RC8>

Revd Steven link;

<https://onedrive.live.com/?authkey=%21AroelkQgf39S1GI&cid=961938B09203086C&id=961938B09203086C%211289&parl d=961938B09203086C%21238&o=OneUp>

The Peace

May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you, wherever
He may take you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you
through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing in the wonders He has
shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our
doors.

The Peace of our Lord be with you

All And also with you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;

in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.
**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new
covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.
Father, we do this in remembrance of him:

his blood is shed for all.



As we proclaim his death and celebrate
his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread
and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
**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 for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

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

Giving of Communion

The president and people receive communion.

Prayer after communion

**We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly
banquet
prepared for all peoples.
Amen.**

Blessing

To a troubled world

peace from Christ.

To a searching world

love from Christ.

To a waiting world

hope from Christ.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We go, giving thanks to God

Revd Steven link ends

Final Hymn Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rCRCZMmnwZQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sx1eMwIDFb8>

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Notices

Live Zoom communions will take place each Sunday at 9am, the link will be on this service sheet each week. A Communion Service sheet is available to print out to follow these Zoom services. See: <https://e-voice.org.uk/bradwellchurch/assets/documents/zoom-sheet>

This Sunday Zoom Service:

Topic: Zoom Spiritual Communion

Time: Sep 13, 2020 09:00 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79619397411?pwd=WWoxY0hSU0w1S0ZRaTZITG9sYytydz09>

Meeting ID: 796 1939 7411

Passcode: 02Pn5B

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The **Bradwell and St Lawrence** **September magazine** can be viewed by clicking the link below:



<https://e-voice.org.uk/bradwellchurch/assets/documents/sept2020>

Revd Steven Poss is inviting you to a scheduled **Zoom Bible Study meeting**.

Topic: Bible Study (Ezekiel 3 & 4)

Time: Sep 14, 2020 07:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79447078511?pwd=L3p2QjNPOXBjUUdGYjZBeFRTZE1RUT09>

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