

Sunday 16 August & Sunday 23 August 2026

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity & Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome! If you are here for the first time please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy or welcome team, and email us at welcome@spwh.org

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity Services

8am Said Eucharist	
Celebrant	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson
Preacher	Alison Perera

9.15am Joyful Noise Eucharist	
Celebrant	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson
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10.30am Sung Eucharist	
Celebrant	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson
Preacher	Alison Perera
Entrance hymn	754 O worship the King (omit *)
Offertory hymn	725 Make me a channel of your peace
Communion hymns	45 I Just as I am
Recessional	223 All hail the power of Jesus's name
Organ postlude	Prelude, 1st movement of Sonata No. 19 in G minor, Opus 193 - Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

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Joyful Noise

Luke 12.16-21 Jesus used this story: "There was a rich man who had some land, which grew a good crop of food. The rich man thought to himself, 'What will I do? I have no place to keep all my crops.' Then he said, 'I know what I will do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones! I will put all my grain and other goods together in my new barns. Then I can say to myself, I have enough good things stored to last for many years. Rest, eat, drink, and enjoy life!' "But God said to that man, 'Foolish man! Tonight you will die. So who will get those things you have prepared for yourself?' "This is how it will be for anyone who stores things up only for himself and is not rich toward God."

Said and Sung Eucharist

Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Psalm 67



Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

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God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, That your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

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O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for you will judge the peoples righteously and govern the nations upon earth. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, and God, our own God, will bless us. God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

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Matthew 15 (10-20), 21-28 Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.' Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

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Preacher	Sarah Elkins

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Celebrant	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson
Preacher	Sarah Elkins
Entrance hymn	357 All people that on earth do dwell
Offertory hymn	494 I, the Lord of sea and sky
Communion hymns	258 O thou who camest from above
Recessional	823 Who would true valour see
Organ postlude	Finale, 3rd movement of Sonata No. 19 in G minor, Opus 193 - Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity readings

Joyful Noise

Luke 12.22-31 Jesus said to his followers, "So I tell you, don't worry about the food you need to live. Don't worry about the clothes you need for your body. Life is more important than food. And the body is more important than clothes. Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest. They don't save food in houses or barns. But God takes care of them. And you are worth much more than birds. None of you can add any time to your life by worrying about it. If you cannot do even the little things, then why worry about the big things? Look at the wild flowers. See how they grow. They don't work or make clothes for themselves. But I tell you that even Solomon, the great and rich king, was not dressed as beautifully as one of these flowers. God clothes the grass in the field like that. That grass is living today, but

tomorrow it will be thrown into the fire. So you know how much more God will clothe you. Don't have so little faith! Don't always think about what you will eat or what you will drink. Don't worry about it. All the people in the world are trying to get those things. Your Father knows that you need them. The thing you should seek is God's kingdom. Then all the other things you need will be given to you.

Said and Sung Eucharist

Romans 12.1-8 I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Psalm 138



Your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever.

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I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods will I sing praise to you. I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name, because of your love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

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They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord. Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly; as for the proud, he regards them from afar.

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Matthew 16.13-20 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Notices

OPEN HOUSE FESTIVAL This September we are taking part in London's Open House Festival. As well as being open every day (as we are anyway) there will be a small exhibition of the church's history and guided tours of the church on the weekend of 19-20 September. Bookings for the guided tours open on 19 August, and you can book here. We are also looking for a few volunteers to meet and greet people on both days; please contact Fr Daniel if you are able to help.

BIBLE STUDY Bible Study continues this Tuesday 7.30pm in church, and runs throughout August concluding on Tuesday 25. Come and delve deeper into the gospels!

WELCOME TO ROSI From Sunday 6 to Sunday 27 September we will be welcoming Rosi Bartlett on placement at St Paul's. Rosi is about to begin her second of three years at St Stephen's House, Oxford, where she is training for the priesthood. All residential ordinands must spend 3-4 weeks on placement during the summer vacation as part of their formation, so we're delighted Rosi is coming here!

UNCONCIOUS BIAS TRAINING Unconscious bias training aims to help us understand how we might make assumptions about people based solely on what we see. Making assumptions is something we all do, probably without even realising. It is how we make sense of the world around us. Often, these assumptions are incorrect and can even be harmful, negatively impacting how people are addressed or the opportunities that they are given. As part of our commitment to maintaining an inclusive, welcoming church community, we are offering unconscious bias training to all who are interested in learning more. The 2-hour session will be run by Joanna Brown and Lola Cawood, and will held in the church hall on Saturday 19 September at 12pm. Please speak to or email Joanna at joannabtraining@pm.me if you would like to sign up or for more information.

HEARING LOOP We are aware that the quality of the hearing loop has continued to be inconsistent over the past few months. We have changed the settings this week in the hope that it will make an improvement. If you use the loop please do give us your feedback.

This week's diary

Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are usually said publicly in church Monday-Thursday at 9.10am and 5pm. Everyone is welcome. The church is normally open every day for prayer, reflection and visitors.

		Observance	Time	Service/event	Prayer intention
Sunday	16	THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Eucharist Sung Eucharist	<i>Our parish and its people</i>
Monday	17				<i>The medical profession</i>
Tuesday	18		7.30pm	Bible Study	<i>The NHS</i>
Wednesday	19		12.30pm	Eucharist	<i>HM Government</i>
Thursday	20	St Bernard of Clairvaux			<i>The media</i>
Friday	21				<i>Vocations</i>
Saturday	22				<i>Racial justice</i>
Sunday	23	THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Sung Eucharist	<i>Our parish and its people</i>
Monday	24	St Bartholomew	12.30pm	Eucharist	<i>Anderson, Bishop of Edmonton</i>
Tuesday	25		7.30pm	Bible Study	<i>Appointment of the next Bishop of London</i>
Wednesday	26		12.30pm	Eucharist	<i>HM Armed Forces</i>
Thursday	27	St Monica			<i>Mothers</i>
Friday	28	St Augustine of Hippo			<i>Theologians</i>
Saturday	29	Beheading of St John the Baptist			<i>Emergency services</i>
Sunday	30	THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Eucharist Sung Eucharist	<i>Our parish and its people</i>