A very warm welcome to St Peter's Church!
Thank you for joining us this morning.

MINISTRY ROTAS *(also available on ChurchSuite)*

for Sunday 14th August

– Duty Warden: Trevor Froude
– 'Getting Ready' Team: Anne Kavanagh & Cherry Palmer
– Refreshments Team: John & Maureen Hartwell
– Audio Engineer: Noah Froude
– Musicians: Richard Lawn etc
– Service Leadership Team: Duncan Breckels (leading), Stephen Lloyd (preaching), Ann Larkin (prayers), Sue Almond & Mick Kavanagh (reading)
– SPK: Paul Larkin, Beth & Karen Van Den Broek
– 'Tidy Up' Team: Anne & Mick Kavanagh

for Sunday 21st August

– Duty Warden: Trevor Froude
– 'Getting Ready' Team: Anne Kavanagh & Wendy Whitfield
– Refreshments Team: Stephen & Sheila Lloyd
– Audio Engineer: Noah Froude
– Musicians: Duncan Ng etc
– Service Leadership Team: Mark Wallace (leading & preaching), Sheila Lloyd (prayers), Duncan Breckels (reading)
– Communion Assistant: Duncan Breckels
– SPK: Kristin Bradley, John Hartwell & Andrew Lawn
– 'Tidy Up' Team: Anne & Mick Kavanagh

St Peter's
COLCHESTER

Morning Service

10:30am, Sunday 14th August 2022

THE COLLECT *(for the 9th Sunday after Trinity)*

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

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WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

"COME, PRAISE THE NAME OF JESUS"

Come, praise the name of Jesus
for all his gracious powers,
our only God and Saviour
who makes his goodness ours;
he calls us to his kingdom,
the Lord of life and death,
to see his face in glory
and know him now by faith.

His virtue and his wisdom,
endurance, self-control,
his godliness and kindness,
his love which crowns them all -
this is his royal nature
that we are called to share,
his robe of perfect beauty
that we are given to wear.

We see his shining splendour
in every sunless place
where Christ, the light of nations,
appears in truth and grace.
Transfigured by his likeness
we make the vision known,
reflecting in our faces
the radiance of his own.

The king of grace inspires us
to love him more and more,
to grasp our hope more firmly
and make our calling sure.
Christ Jesus, Lord and Saviour,
to this dark world you came;
and for the dawn of heaven,
we praise your holy name.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. 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.**

FIRST BIBLE READING: Isaiah 51.12-16

page 612; read by Sue Almond

At the end of the reading…
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

"HOLY SPIRIT, LIVING BREATH OF GOD"

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul –
bring the presence of the risen Lord
to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
give me faith for what I cannot see;
give me passion for Your purity:
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within;
may Your joy be seen in all I do –
love enough to cover ev'ry sin
in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
gentleness that sows the path of peace;
turn my striving into works of grace:
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
giving life to all that God has made –
show Your power once again on earth;
cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise,
lead us on the road of sacrifice,
that in unity the face of Christ
will be clear for all the world to see.

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SECOND BIBLE READING: Matthew 10.16-33

page 815; read by Mick Kavanagh

At the end of the reading…
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

"JESUS IS LORD – THE CRY THAT ECHOES"

'Jesus is Lord' –
    the cry that echoes through creation:
    resplendent power, eternal Word, our Rock,
the Son of God, the King whose glory
    fills the heavens,
    yet bids us come to taste this living Bread.

'Jesus is Lord' –
whose voice sustains the stars and planets,
yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown,
Jesus the Man, who washed our feet,
who bore our suffering,
became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

'Jesus is Lord' –
the tomb is gloriously empty,
not even death could crush this King of love.
The price is paid, the chains are loosed,
and we're forgiven,
and we can run into the arms of God.

'Jesus is Lord' –
a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
as He returns, and every knee bows low.
Then every eye and every heart
will see His glory,
the Judge of all will take His children home.

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THE PRAYERS

led by Ann Larkin

to finish with the Lord's Prayer…
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.

"FREEDOM AND LIFE ARE OURS"

Freedom and life are ours
for Christ has set us free!
never again submit to powers
that lead to slavery:
Christ is the Lord who takes
a man to be his own
and by his saving gospel makes
a slave into a son.

Called by the Lord to use
our freedom and be strong,
not letting liberty excuse
a life of blatant wrong:
freed from the law's stern hand
God's gift of grace to prove,
know that the law's entire demand
is gladly met by love.

Spirit of God, come, fill,
emancipate us all!
break our desire to sin, until
before his throne we fall:
glory and liberty
God for his sons decreed,
and if the Son shall make us free
we shall be free indeed!

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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

"AND CAN IT BE"

And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain;
for me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above -
so free, so infinite His grace -
emptied himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light.
My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

THE CONCLUSION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.

Please be seated.

Refreshments will be brought to you in the pews.
Do please stay for a while.