

St. Andrew's Gorleston
WORSHIP TOGETHER
10 am - Sunday 9th February 2025
Morning Praise
4th Sunday before Lent



Call to Worship

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And also with you. We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as the Lord; all creation worships you, the Father everlasting. To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hymn Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee,
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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Prayers of penitence

Let us confess our sins and ask for God's forgiveness. Almighty God, our Father, we come to you with humble hearts, to confess our sins. For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives: Father, forgive us, **save us and help us.** For behaving just as we wish, without thinking of you: Father, forgive us, **save us and help us.** For failing you – not only by what we do, but also by our thoughts and words: Father, forgive us, **save us and help us.** For letting ourselves be drawn away from you by temptation in the world around us: Father, forgive us, **save us and help us.** For acting as if we were ashamed to belong to your dear Son Jesus: Father, forgive us, **save us and help us.** Father, we have failed you often, and humbly ask your forgiveness: **help us to live that others may see your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song Purify my heart, let me be as gold and precious silver.
Purify my heart, let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy, set apart for You, Lord.
I choose to be holy, set apart for You, my Master,
ready to do Your will.*

Purify my heart, cleanse me from within and make me holy.
Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

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The Collect

Lord of the hosts of heaven, our salvation and our strength, without you we are lost: guard us from all that harms or hurts and raise us when we fall; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bible Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: with two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.' At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. 'Woe to me!' I cried. 'I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty. 'Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and said, 'See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for. 'Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'

For the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Song Be still, for the presence of the Lord,

the Holy One is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace.

No work too hard for Him,
in faith receive from Him;
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

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Bible Reading

Luke 5:1-11

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding round him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!' For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.' So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

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Message

Song **All I once held dear, built my life upon,**

All this world reveres, and wars to own,
All I once thought gain, I have counted loss;
Spent and worthless now compared to this.

*Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You,
there is no greater thing.
You're my all, nothing less,
You're my joy, my righteousness, and I love You, Lord.*

Now my heart's desire, is to know You more,
To be found in You, and known as Yours.
To possess by faith what I could not earn,
All-surpassing gift, of righteousness.

Oh, to know the power of Your risen life,
And to know You in, your sufferings.
To become like You, in Your death, my Lord,
So with You to live, and never die.

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Creed

Let us hold firmly to the faith we profess: **We have a high priest able to understand our weaknesses who has gone into heaven: Jesus, the Son of**

God. He was tempted in every way, just as we are – yet without sin. Therefore we approach the throne of grace with confidence, to receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. Amen.

Prayers of intercession

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.

Notices, Banns and Birthdays

Praise

O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. **O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.** I sought the Lord and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. **O magnify the Lord with me.** In my weakness I cried to the Lord; he heard me and saved me from my troubles. **Let us exalt his name together.** Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.**

Hymn Lord of the church we pray for our renewing

Christ over all our undivided aim
Fire of the Spirit burn for our enduing
Wind of the Spirit fan the living flame
We turn to Christ amid our fear and failing
The will that lacks the courage to be free
The weary labours all but unavailing
To bring us nearer what a church should be

Lord of the church we seek a Father's blessing
A true repentance and a faith restored
A swift obedience and a new possessing
Filled with the Holy Spirit of the Lord
We turn to Christ from all our restless striving
Unnumbered voices with a single prayer-
The living water for our souls' reviving
In Christ to live and love and serve and care

Lord of the church we long for our uniting
True to one calling by one vision stirred
One cross proclaiming and one creed reciting
One in the truth of Jesus and His word
So lead us on till toil and trouble ended
One church triumphant one new song shall sing
To praise His glory risen and ascended
Christ over all the everlasting King

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Final Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God: teach us to walk in your way more trustfully, accept your truth more faithfully, and share your life more lovingly;

that we may come by the power of the Holy Spirit as one family to the kingdom of the Father where you live for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and in his grace gave us an unfailing courage and a firm hope, encourage you and strengthen you always to do and always to say what is good: and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Dismissal

To a troubled world **peace from Christ.** To a searching world **love from Christ.** To a waiting world **hope from Christ. Amen.** Go in joy and peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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