

Morecambe Parish Church Eucharist Readings & Hymns
18th June 2017
1st Sunday after Trinity

OPENING HYMN

447 God of freedom, God of justice

COLLECT

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. **Amen**

READING *Romans 5:1-8*

- ¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
- ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
- ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,
- ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,
- ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.
- ⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.
- ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.
- ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

GRADUAL HYMN

Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom,
come to him and bless his name.

Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever,
faithful to the end of days.

*Come then, all you nations,
sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.
Ring out the Lord's glory,
praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.*

Power he has wielded, honour is his garment,
risen from the snares of death.
His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken,
new life he now gives to all.

Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow,
Spirit of our God most high;
solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner,
splendour of the living God.

Praise him with your singing, praise him with the trumpet,
praise God with the lute and harp;
praise him with the cymbals, praise him with your dancing,
praise God till the end of days.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

When the Gospel is announced, the response is:

Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL *Luke 15:11-32*

Jesus told the Pharisees and scribes this parable:

- ¹¹ 'There was a man who had two sons.
¹² The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them.
¹³ A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living.
¹⁴ When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need.

- ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs.
- ¹⁶ He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything.
- ¹⁷ But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger!
- ¹⁸ I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you;
- ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.' "
- ²⁰ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him.
- ²¹ Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son."
- ²² But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.
- ²³ And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate;
- ²⁴ for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!"
- And they began to celebrate.
- ²⁵ Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing.
- ²⁶ He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on.
- ²⁷ He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound."
- ²⁸ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him.
- ²⁹ But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends.
- ³⁰ But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!"
- ³¹ Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours.
- ³² But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." '

At the end of the Gospel, the response is:

Praise to you, O Christ

OFFERTORY HYMN

516 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

As Junior Church come into church we sing:

Come all you people, come and praise your maker

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Come now and worship the Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN

¹Christ be in my waking,
As the sun is rising,
In my day of working,
With me every hour.
Christ be in my resting,
As the day is ending,
Calming and refreshing,
Watching through the night.

²Christ be in my thinking,
And my understanding,
Guarding me from evil,
Walking in the light.
Christ be in my speaking,
Every word a blessing,
Pure and not deceiving,
Grace to all who hear.

³*Jesus, this is my devotion:
All my life to know You,
Every day to walk with You.
Saviour, You're my deepest longing,
You're the One I live for,
Teach me, Lord, to walk with You.*

⁴Christ be in my gladness
For the joy of living,
Thankful for the goodness
Of the Father's hand.
Christ be in my sorrow,
In my day of darkness,
Knowing that I follow
In the steps He trod.

⁵*Jesus, this is my devotion:
All my life to know You,
Every day to walk with You.
Saviour, You're my deepest longing,
You're the One I live for,
Teach me, Lord, to walk with You.*

⁶Christ when hope has faded,
Nothing left to cling to,
Every pleasure jaded,
Every well is dry.
Christ the loving Shepherd
Draws me with His kindness,
Leads me from the desert
To the streams of life.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

628 *Ye that know the Lord is gracious*