The Last Sunday after Trinity, 2025

President:	Preacher:
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FIRST HYMN 368

"Guide me, O thou great Redeemer…*

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

CANTICLE: WISDOM

Wisdom shines like the sun – so she may soon be found by those who seek.
And her light shall never fade or die – easily discerned by those who love her well.
She seeks out all who want to know her, to free them from their care:
all who think, watch, or wait shall see her in their paths and in their every thought.
So that wisdom may grow for learning we should have such great desire –
that from learning wisdom grows in its turn,
and our hearts will ever heed her holy laws.
Thus, a lifelong search for wisdom, if we keep it all our days
In our hearts will abide and guide us by God's grace to our eternal home.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4.6-8,16- 18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed, and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Alleluia….**alleluia..**
The Lord stands by us and gives us strength,
so that the message of the Gospel might be fully proclaimed, and all might hear it.
The Lord will rescue us from every evil attack and save us for his heavenly kingdom.
To him be glory forever and ever.
Alleluia…

GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:9-14

OFFERTORY HYMN: 310

V5/May we thy word believing, thee through thy gifts receive,
That, thou within us living, we all to God may live;
Draw us from earth to heaven till sin and sorrow cease,
Forgiving and forgiven, in love and joy and peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you, not only with our lips,
but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FINAL HYMN: 471

Next week, we keep two key days of the Church's year: All Saints and All Souls day: the chance to remember and give thanks for all who have gone before us into the community of heaven. Cards are available today to write the names of those who you wish to remember: family, friends, former worshippers, and those who we think might have nobody to remember them.
The second episode of our History Talks: The Unsung is on Saturday November 1st. This session focuses on the Pan-African Congress of 1945…a mile down the road!

Notices and Information for this week. Please take this sheet home with you.	
Monday October 27th	**1930 Eucharist**
Thursday October 30th	**1930 Eucharist**
Saturday November 1st	**1000 Foodbank** **History Talks 2**
Sunday November 2nd	**1000 Sung Eucharist** **The Community of Heaven**

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How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts to me,
My soul is longing and fainting the courts of the Lord to see,
My heart and my flesh they are singing for joy to the living God,
How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts to me.

Even the sparrow finds a home, where he can settle down;
And the swallow she can build a nest where she can lay her young;
Within the courts of the Lord of hosts, my king my Lord and my God,
And happy are they who are dwelling where the song of praise is sung.

And I'd rather be a doorkeeper and only stay a day
Than live the life of a sinner and have to stay away,
For the Lord is shining as the sun, and the Lord he's like a shield;
And no good thing does he withold from those who walk his way.