

St Simon Zelotes



EVENING PRAYER ONLINE

Sunday 26 October 2025

6.30pm

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Welcome

Hymn

In Christ alone

1 In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

2 In Christ alone! who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied -
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3 There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine -
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath.
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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Sentence of Scripture

Exhortation

Confession

Lord God, we have sinned against you, we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of forgiveness

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.



First reading: Exodus 16:10-16, 31-35

¹⁰ While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked towards the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

¹¹ The LORD said to Moses, ¹² 'I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, "At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God."' "

¹³ That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. ¹⁶ This is what the LORD has commanded: "Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent."' "

³¹ The people of Israel called the bread manna. It was white like coriander seed and tasted like wafers made with honey. ³² Moses said, 'This is what the LORD has commanded: "Take an omer of manna and keep it for the generations to come, so they can see the bread I gave you to eat in the wilderness when I brought you out of Egypt."' "

³³ So Moses said to Aaron, 'Take a jar and put an omer of manna in it. Then place it before the LORD to be kept for the generations to come.'

³⁴ As the LORD commanded Moses, Aaron put the manna with the tablets of the covenant law, that it might be preserved. ³⁵ The Israelites ate manna for forty years, until they came to a land that was settled; they ate manna until they reached the border of Canaan.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



Second reading: Revelation 2:12-17

¹² To the angel of the church in Pergamum write:

These are the words of him who has the sharp, double-edged sword. ¹³ I know where you live – where Satan has his throne. Yet you remain true to my name. You did not renounce your faith in me, not even in the days of Antipas, my faithful witness, who was put to death in your city – where Satan lives.

¹⁴ Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: there are some among you who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin so that they ate food sacrificed to idols and committed sexual immorality. ¹⁵ Likewise, you also have those who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. ¹⁶ Repent therefore! Otherwise, I will soon come to you and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

¹⁷ Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

The 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.



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Hymn

His mercy is more

1 What love could remember no wrongs we have done,
omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum;
thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
our sins they are many, His mercy is more

2 What patience would wait as we constantly roam,
what Father, so tender, is calling us home,
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,
our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

3 What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

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Praise the Lord...

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Sermon

Revelation 2:12-17

'A letter on truth'

Joe Ammoun



Hymn

By faith, we see the hand of God

1 By faith, we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design;
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

2 By faith, our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand –
A place where peace and justice reign.

*We will stand as children of the promise,
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

3 By faith, the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death,
And rise triumphant from the grave.

4 By faith, the church was called to go
In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news,
In every corner of the earth.

We will stand as children of the promise...

5 By faith, this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name.

We will stand as children of the promise...



Collect for the nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, because without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in everything direct and rule our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Evening Collects

Intercessions



Notices

Hymn

Crown him with many crowns

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| 1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity. | 3 Crown Him the Lord of peace,
whose pow'r a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet. |
| 2 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends each burning eye
at mysteries so bright. | 4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity. |

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Blessing



Notices

Remembrance Sunday Service - 9 November - 10.45 am

On Remembrance Sunday we have a special service to remember those who gave their lives, and to reflect on the tragedy of war and the promises of Christ. Please note that the service **starts at the later time of 10.45am.**

Happy Home Presentation

We will give our annual presentation on the Happy Home **after the morning service on Sunday 16 November.** This charity in Tamil Nadu, India was set up by a Christian minister and his family to provide lodgings, food, clothing and education for poor or orphaned children. Currently there are over 200 children being cared for by the Happy Home. Support from St Simons has been mainly based on a family or an individual agreeing to sponsor a particular child with an annual contribution.

Church Supper and Guest Service – Sunday 16 November

On Sunday 16 November there will be an informal church supper after the evening service. The whole church family and friends are invited. The service beforehand will include a talk aimed at those exploring or sceptical about Christian faith and will have guests particularly in mind. If you are able to bring food or wine, or be on the welcome team, please get in touch with Sophie at sophie.butterfield@ssz.org.uk.

Women's breakfast - Saturday 22 November 10am-11.30am

On Saturday 22 November we will be hosting a Women's Breakfast in the church building. It will be an opportunity for women from both congregations to come together to encourage one another. There will be coffee and pastries, an interview with our Church Warden, Susan Wajih, speaking about how she came to faith and the impact it has had on her life, and discussion time. Babies in arms are very welcome but unfortunately we cannot provide childcare. For more details, and to signal an interest in coming, please get in touch with Liv Jani at ministrytrainee@ssz.org.uk

Weekly email

Associate Vicar Joe Ammoun sends out a weekly email letter each Wednesday with church family news and a short reflection. If you don't currently receive this but would like to, please get in touch with Gloria at gloria.skelsey@ssz.org.uk.