

St Simon
Zelotes


EVENING PRAYER ONLINE

Sunday 2 November 2025

6.30pm

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Welcome

Hymn

Come, people of the risen King

1 Come, people of the risen King,
Who delight to bring Him praise.
Come, all and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth
We will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

2 Come, those whose joy is morning sun
And those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won,
And those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change,
And His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days
With the certain hope of peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice!...

3 Come, young and old from every land,
Men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands,
Find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing,
Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age;
'Our God is all in all'.

Rejoice! Rejoice!...



Sentence of Scripture

Exhortation

Confession

Jesus Christ, risen master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.
In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

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: 1 Kings 16:29-33

²⁹ In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah, Ahab son of Omri became king of Israel, and he reigned in Samaria over Israel for twenty-two years. ³⁰ Ahab son of Omri did more evil in the eyes of the LORD than any of those before him. ³¹ He not only considered it trivial to commit the sins of Jeroboam son of Nebat, but he also married Jezebel daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and began to serve Baal and worship him. ³² He set up an altar for Baal in the temple of Baal that he built in Samaria. ³³ Ahab also made an Asherah pole and did more to arouse the anger of the LORD, the God of Israel, than did all the kings of Israel before him.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



Second reading: Revelation 2:18-29

¹⁸ To the angel of the church in Thyatira write:

These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze. ¹⁹ I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first.

²⁰ Nevertheless, I have this against you: you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophet. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols. ²¹ I have given her time to repent of her immorality, but she is unwilling. ²² So I will cast her on a bed of suffering, and I will make those who commit adultery with her suffer intensely, unless they repent of her ways. ²³ I will strike her children dead. Then all the churches will know that I am he who searches hearts and minds, and I will repay each of you according to your deeds.

²⁴ Now I say to the rest of you in Thyatira, to you who do not hold to her teaching and have not learned Satan's so-called deep secrets, "I will not impose any other burden on you, ²⁵ except to hold on to what you have until I come."

²⁶ To the one who is victorious and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations – ²⁷ that one "will rule them with an iron sceptre and will dash them to pieces like pottery" – just as I have received authority from my Father. ²⁸ I will also give that one the morning star. ²⁹ Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

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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.



Hymn

Speak, O Lord

1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
to receive the food of your holy word.

Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
that the light of Christ might be seen today
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
all Your purposes, for Your glory.

2 Teach us Lord full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility.

Test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of Your purity.

Cause our faith to rise
cause our eyes to see,

your majestic love and authority.

Words of power that can never fail;
let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3 Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.

Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built
and the earth is filled with Your glory.



Sermon

Revelation 2:18-29
'A letter on holiness'
Mike Neville



Hymn

Though the nations rage

1 Though the nations rage,
kingdoms rise and fall,
there is still one King
reigning over all;
so I will not fear,
for this truth remains,
that my God is the Ancient of Days.

*None above him, none before him,
all of time in his hands,
for his throne it shall remain and ever stand—
all the power, all the glory;
I will trust in his name,
for my God is the Ancient of Days.*

2 Though the dread of night
overwhelms my soul,
he is here with me:
I am not alone.
O, his love is sure
and he knows my name,
for my God is the Ancient of Days.

None above him, none before him...

3 Though I may not see
what the future brings,
I will watch and wait
for the Saviour-King;
then my joy complete,
standing face to face
in the presence of the Ancient of Days.

*None above him, none before him...
for my God is the Ancient of Days.*



Collect for All Saints Day

Almighty God, who joined together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the spiritual body of your Son Christ our Lord, grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who sincerely love you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Evening Collects

Intercessions



Notices

Hymn

For all the saints

1 For all the saints
who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith
before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus,
be for ever blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

2 O may thy soldiers,
faithful, true and bold,
fight as the saints
who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them,
the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, alleluia!

3 And when the strife is fierce,
the warfare long,
steals on the ear
the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again,
and arms are strong.
Alleluia, alleluia!

4 But lo! there breaks
a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant
rise in bright array:
the King of glory
passes on his way.
Alleluia, alleluia!

5 From earth's wide bounds,
from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl
streams in countless host,
singing to Father,
Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia!

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Blessing



Notices

Hour of prayer

Our next church 'hour of prayer' will take place on Monday 3 November from 8-9.15pm in church. Do join us as we start with coffee and cake and then spend an hour praying for the needs of the world and the church.

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.**

Ministry Coordinator for Children and Women

Some of you may remember that in July we were advertising for a new two day a week staff member to work in St Simon's to consolidate and develop the Sunday School work and also to develop ministry to women in the church. I (Mike) announced on 5 October that the PCC has appointed Zannie Ammoun to this role. She will start in January 2026. We look forward with prayerful anticipation, to her enlarged ministry in our church family.

Appointing a new Bishop of London

Following the appointment of Bishop Sarah as Archbishop of Canterbury, the process to appoint a new Bishop of London has begun. The Committee drawing up a role and person profile would love to hear from people who attend churches in the Diocese of London. We encourage you to respond by answering a few questions with bullet points in an online survey: <https://tinyurl.com/3nmazxm3>. Responses need to be submitted by **Wednesday 12 November 2025**.

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.