



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 12th October 2025

MORNING WORSHIP

led by The Revd Heather McIntyre and The Revd Ian Green

Organist: Edward Cross

*We have a Loop System – to access please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.
If you are able please stand for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk (*)
Prelude: Marcietta : Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)*

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

* **Hymn 39:** All creatures of our God and King *Omit verses 4 and 5*

During which the bible is placed in the pulpit

Opening Responses:

Minister: We have come together to worship God,
All: we gather to offer our praises and prayers.
Minister: We have come to listen out for God's Word,
**All: spoken to us in bible and sermon,
in silence and in fellowship.**
Minister: O Lord, open our lips,
All: and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.
Minister: The Lord be with you
All: And also with you.

Opening Praise, Confession and Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Notices

Mission Focus: Glass Door with Peter Burdin

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Responsive Psalm *(set for today)* **Psalm 66** *a selection of verses*

Be joyful in God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;
Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds!

'All the earth shall worship you,
sing to you, sing praise to your name.'
**Come now and behold the works of God,
how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.**

Bless our God, O you peoples;
make the voice of his praise to be heard,
**Who holds our souls in life
and suffers not our feet to slip.
Glory be to you, our God,
Creator, Saviour and Spirit. Amen**

*** Hymn 512:** Seek ye first

Readings: 2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15 O.T. p.309
Luke 17.11-19 N.T. p.68
Today's reader is Olga Palmer

***Hymn:** Ejected, shamed and ostracised *Tune R&S 448 St Columba*

**Ejected, shamed and ostracised
these ten now helped each other,
their leprosy broke barriers down,
brought enemies together.**

**Then, when they saw the teacher come
they shouted with real feeling,
"Hey, Jesus, Master, see us here,
have mercy, grant us healing!"**

**Christ felt their harsh predicament,
responding with real caring,
“Go show yourselves, now, to the priests,
all God’s own mercy sharing!”**

**Together, as they took the road,
they all received God’s cleansing,
yet only one stopped, turned, went back,
to share the joy he’s sensing.**

**The other nine just went their way,
their old lives now resuming,
forgetting solidarity,
God’s kindness just assuming.**

**With Jesus let us mourn this shame,
this dearth of thankful sharing,
when only this Samaritan,
showed joyous, grateful caring.**

John Miller Campbell, 15/9/25, freely available for use

Sermon: A Way of Living

Followed by silent reflection

OUR RESPONSE

***Hymn 293: Ye servants of God**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

***Presentation of the Offering**

Each week we make our gifts in a variety of ways, by placing cash or envelopes in the baskets as we enter or exit church or through direct bank giving. All these offerings are dedicated now as we sing:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below,
praise him above, ye heavenly host,
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

***Hymn:** Show me how to stand for justice *Tune Hyfrydol 87 87D R&S 663*

1. Show me how to stand for justice

**How to work for what is right,
How to challenge false assumptions,
How to walk within the light.
May I learn to share more freely
In a world so full of greed,
Showing your immense compassion
By the life I choose to lead.**

2. Teach my heart to treasure mercy,

**Whether given or received
For my need has not diminished
Since the day I first believed.
Let me seek no satisfaction
Boasting of what I have done.
But rejoice that I am pardoned
And accepted in your Son.**

3. Gladly I embrace a lifestyle

**Modelled on your living word,
In humility submitting
To the truth that I have heard;
Make me conscious of your presence
Every day in all I do:
By your Spirit's gracious prompting
May I learn to walk with you.**

Martin E. Leckebusch CCL257120

Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen

*Sunday Lunch will be served in the Church Hall after the service
Postlude: Marche : Guillaume Lasceux (1740-1831)*