



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 19th October 2025

MORNING WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION

led by The Revd Ian Green and The Revd Heather McIntyre

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: Trio Op.49 : Joseph Rheinburger (1839-1901)

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

*** Hymn 114:** Let all the world in every corner sing

During which the Bible is placed in the pulpit

Opening Responses *From Psalm 100*

Minister: The psalmist calls us to worship with these words:

All: Shout for joy to the Lord all the earth.

Minister: Serve the Lord with gladness,

All: come before him with joyful songs.

Minister: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Opening Prayers of Praise, Confession and Lord's Prayer

followed by **Welcome and Notices**

Reception into Church Membership *Mrs Margaret Wilkie*

***Hymn 92:** Amazing grace

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Readings: Genesis 32.22-31 OT p.27

Luke 18.1-8 N.T. 69

This morning's reader is David Watson

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Prayer before the sermon:

Minister: For the Word of God is scripture

All: For the Word of God among us

Minister: For the Word of God within us

All: Thanks be to God. Amen

Sermon: Struggling with Faith *followed by Silent Reflection.*

*** Hymn 557:** Who would true valour see

Prayers of Intercession

Minister: God of all goodness

All: Hear our prayer

*** Hymn 444:** Father, we thank you Tune R&S 302

THE COMMUNION

***The Peace** *all standing*

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: and also with you.

Minister: We say for one another:

**All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all evermore.**

***The Offertory Procession**

Minister: We give thanks to God and sing:

**All: 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.**

***Prayer of Dedication and Invitation to Communion**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Minister: Therefore with all your people in heaven and on earth we sing the resounding hymn of your glory:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,**

Sung: 13 in heaven and earth are full of your glory.

hymn book Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution and Sharing of the bread and wine

Post Communion Prayer

All Self-giving God,

**With thanksgiving we have remembered
and celebrated your love in Jesus.**

**May your cross and resurrection
constantly speak into our lives and sustain our living.**

**So, sent out in the strength of the Spirit
may your generosity and kindness
become the reality of our lives.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*** Hymn: Jesus, in your life we see you** *Tune R & S 95 Blauenwern*

**1. Jesus, in your life we see you
making God's compassion known,
'Surely you have borne our sorrows,
surely made our pain your own!'
see your touch bring hope and healing,
see your word set captives free,
see you suffer, mocked, rejected,
dying on the shameful tree.**

**2. Risen Lord, you reign in glory;
but your wounds and scars remain;
you can share the outcast's suffering,
sound the depth of human pain,
know where greed exploits the helpless,
hear the addict's lonely cry,
grieve at so much waste and heartbreak,
feel for all the question 'why'?**

**3. Risen Lord, you bear their sorrow,
know how much they need your peace;
as you once healed broken bodies,
offered captive souls release,
take us, use us in your service;
we would follow where you lead;
only your divine compassion
meets the depth of human need.**

Basil E. Bridge (b.1927)

***Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen** *All Standing*

*Postlude: Fughetta : Johann Christian Rinck (1770-1846)
Morning Coffee will be served in the Church Hall after the service.*