



AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 6th September 2026

MORNING WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION

led by The Revd Ian Green and The Revd Erna Stevenson

Organist: Dominic Detre

Wherever you are on the journey of faith, you are invited to receive communion.

If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, please let them pass by without embarrassment.

If you are able, please stand for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk ()*

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

* **Hymn 104:** Praise my soul the King of heaven

During which the Bible is placed on the Communion Table

Opening Responses

Minister: Together we gather,

All: Seeking God, we meet around word and sacrament.

Minister: We come with praise

All: And offer to God our prayers.

Minister: The Lord is my light and my salvation;

All: the Lord is the stronghold of my life.

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**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Readings: Psalm 119. 33-40 O.T. p515

Matthew 18.15-20 N.T. p17

This morning's reader is

Reader: In this is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

***HYMN 92:** Amazing grace

Prayer before the sermon

Minister: Let the words of my mouth

All: And the meditations of all our hearts

Minister: Be acceptable in your sight

All: O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. Amen

Sermon: The 'Don't Send' Button!

followed by Silent Reflection. Sermon notes are available as you leave and on the church website

***Hymn 353:** There's a wideness in God's mercy *Tune: Corvedale*

Prayers of Intercession

*** Hymn 438:** As friends meet round the table *Tune R&S 566 Aurelia*

**1 As friends meet round a table
when food has been prepared,
in gifts from God's provision
the joy of life is shared.
How clear is his intention:
enough for all to live,
enjoying the abundance
the Lord delights to give.**

**2 As friends meet round a table
they take, with gratitude,
the riches they are offered –
companionship and food.
In welcome and belonging
life's pleasure is increased,
till loving words and laughter
make simple fare a feast.**

**3 Come, friends, around this table
to share the holy meal:
in bread and wine encounter
God's love, so near, so real –
here faith and hope are nourished
as Jesus bids us come
to feast on all he offers
and find ourselves at home.**

Martin Leckebusch (b.1962) CCL257120

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**

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 345:** Guide me O thou great Jehovah

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

Morning Tea and Coffee is served in the church hall after the service