St Andrew's Gorleston WORSHIP TOGETHER 10 am - Sunday 13th July 2025 4th Sunday after Trinity - Sea Sunday



Welcome

Almighty God, Creator, all things, from the greatest to the smallest owe their origin to you.

As we look at the sea in all its moods, and think of the life it contains we are reminded of how wonderful you are.

We consider the mighty waves, and we remember your power. We think of the countless creatures who make their homes in or on or beneath the waves and we wonder at your generosity. We think of rockpools filled with life, and we marvel at your attention to detail.

We think of the ocean depths, and we realise that there is no end to your knowledge and understanding.

Yet even the sea, in all its variety and richness only gives us a glimpse of how marvellous you are in every possible way.

Gracious God, for all that you are, and for all that you will be, we praise your holy name. Amen.

Hymn - A&M 702

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy, love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

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Confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The collect

Almighty God, whose will it is that the earth and sea should bear fruit in due season: bless the labours of those who work on land and sea, grant us a good harvest and the grace always to rejoice in your fatherly care; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Song – My Lighthouse

In my wrestling and in my doubts In my failures You won't walk out Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence You won't let go In the questions Your truth will hold Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea

Chorus My Lighthouse my Lighthouse Shining in the darkness I will follow You My Lighthouse my Lighthouse I will trust the promise You will carry me safe to shore Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings With each morning I'll rise and sing My God's love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea You are the peace in my troubled sea

Bridge

Fire before us You're the brightest You will lead us Through the storms

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First Reading - Psalm 107:1-9, 23-31

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. ² Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story— those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, ³ those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.⁴ Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle. ⁵ They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away. ⁶ Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. ⁷ He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle.⁸ Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, ⁹ for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

²³ Some went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters.²⁴ They saw the works of the Lord, his wonderful deeds in the deep. ²⁵ For he spoke and stirred up a tempest that lifted high the waves. ²⁶ They mounted up to the heavens and went down to the depths; in their peril their courage melted away.²⁷ They reeled and staggered like drunkards; they were at their wits' end.

²⁸ Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought

them out of their distress.²⁹ He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. ³⁰ They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven.

³¹ Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love, and his wonderful deeds for mankind.

For the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Hymn - O the deep deep love of Jesus

Vast unmeasured boundless free Rolling as a mighty ocean In its fullness over me Underneath me all around me Is the current of Thy love Leading onward leading homeward To my glorious rest above

O the deep deep love of Jesus Spread His praise from shore to shore How He loveth ever loveth Changeth never nevermore How He watches o'er His loved ones Died to call them all His own How for them He intercedeth Watches over them from the throne

O the deep deep love of Jesus Love of every love the best 'Tis an ocean vast of blessing 'Tis a haven sweet of rest O the deep deep love of Jesus 'Tis a heaven of heavens to me And it lifts me up to glory For it lifts me up to Thee

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Second Reading - Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" ²⁷ He answered. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and

with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbour as yourself." ²⁸ "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." ²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" ³⁰ In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

³⁶ "Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" ³⁷ The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

For the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Talk - Rev Peter Paine

Song – A&M 575

When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there? When I needed a neighbour, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there? I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there? I was cold, I was naked, were you there?

When I needed a shelter, were you there, were you there? When I needed a shelter, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there?

Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there, wherever you travel I'll be there.

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, I'll be there.

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Prayers of Intercession

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

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Hymn – A&M 623 Eternal Father, strong to save,

whose arm doth bind the restless wave, who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walkedst on the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea. O sacred Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, who bad'st its angry tumult cease, and gavest light and life and peace: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power, our brethren shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them whereso'er they go: and ever let there rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

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Closing Prayer and Blessing

Now may he who laid the foundations of the earth, who stills the storm, and hushes the waves of the sea, speak his peace to you, as you go on in your journey.

May you have grace to perceive the one whom even the wind and the sea obey, and strength to persevere in walking in his way, now and always. Amen.

May the peace of God which passes all understanding fill your hearts and minds with the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

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