

Sunday 17 September 2023

TRINITY 15

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ST JAMES Islington N1 8PH

Collect: Most merciful God, to whose glory this Church was built so that prayer and praise may be offered to you in every generation: bless all the music performed in this place so that our hearts and minds may be in tune with the harmony of heaven; we make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME BISHOP MICHAEL
Perhaps it's a bit unfair - but it is not without interest - to see ourselves as we were forty years ago! Yet on occasions like this we give thanks for all that God has done in those years and also to share some of the wisdom that we have acquired in that time! Today we pay tribute to Michael's gift for preaching and for a lifetime of talking about the part music plays in our liturgy. His theme today: 'Worshipping in spirit and in truth'. We are delighted to see him here at St James'.



Welcomer	Shirley Chinery
Readers	Ken Thompson, Karensa G.
Interceder	Isabel Nisbet
E Min	Eva Kasella
Coffee	Falcioni family
Music:	
Entry	CAHON737 When in our music
Psalm	Psalm 98
Anthem	<i>O Lorde, the Maker John Joubert</i>
P-Comm	AM315 Living God
Final	AM766 Praise my soul
Mass	Mass in F Harold Darke



ISLINGTON PROMS Our September Festival of Music and Art started with a simply superb concert by the Beaumont Singers on Friday night. There are plenty of flyers available so please do see if you can make any of the remaining events. Caroline Griffiths' art on the Church walls has been well received (with several sales!) and the Retrospective on the big screen lasts for about 12minutes. Our thanks to Isabel and the Proms team for the immense amount of work involved.
HARVEST 2023 As you will have read in Arena118, we are dedicating our Harvest collection this year to supporting those so badly affected by the terrible events in North Africa, in both Libya and Morocco. Envelopes are available today for your donations and the 10am Mass on October 1st will give us the opportunity to look at the situation there in more detail. Please pray for the rescue teams.

- WELCOME to everyone in Church today, especially those visiting for the first time.**
- Please ask the nearest person to you in the pews if there is anything you need. There is a carpeted area in the south aisle for our smallest children. A full service booklet is available and the T-loop system works well.
 - A collection of money is taken during Mass and there is a card-reader on the back wall for digital donations. We are very grateful for your kind support.
 - At the time of communion, please feel free to come forward to the front of Church - either to receive communion or a blessing. Jesus invites everyone, you too!
 - Finally, do stay for a drink after Mass if you can and say hello before you leave. If you would like to keep in touch, please fill in a white Contact Card and we'll respond asap.

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FIRST COMMUNIONS Just time to squeeze in one more course, this time for Charlie Green and Olive Murphy. And it will be a double celebration as we will also be baptising Rosie Green on October 22nd!

THIS WEEK (and next)

Sun	10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL with Bp Michael Marshall and the Tait Consort. 7.30pm PROMS 3 Back to Bach.
Mon	2pm Meeting with potential new Building and Maintenance coordinator. 7.30pm PROMS 4 7.30pm Jonathan Wober 'All around the houses'.
Tues	8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass. 12-3pm Rehearsal. 4pm FC programme, Vicarage.
Wed	10am Mass. 10.30-5.30pm English Chamber rehearsal. 6pm PCC members meet with the Property Committee, zoom. 7pm Loreta and Shaun prepare for their wedding on October 21st. 7-9pm Sing.
Thurs	6pm Evening Prayer. 6.15pm Office session. 7-9pm Cantalini.
Fri	10.30am Piano tuning. 1-6pm Rehearsals. 7.30pm PROMS 5 Anthony Hill Memorial Concert: Yoon Chung, Romantic Dances.
Sat	3.30-6.30pm rehearsal. 7.30pm PROMS 6 Greenwich Trio play music by Ravel and Faure.
Sun 24	TRINITY 16 8am Mass 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL. 4pm PROMS 7 Youth Prom.
Mon	1-4.30pm Filming, Slick Films. PROMS 8 7.30pm To game or not to game.
Tues	8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass. 4pm Organ lesson. 4pm FC programme, Vicarage. 7-9pm Faglioni rehearsal.
Wed	10am Mass. 7-9pm Sing.
Thurs	6pm Evening Prayer. 6pm Profile Committee meets by zoom. 6.15pm Office session. 7-9pm Cantalini.
Fri	PROMS 9 7.30pm 'Irish Night' with Oisín Kavanagh.
Sat	2pm Rehearsal. PROMS 10 Last night of Our Proms. Haydn Chamber Orchestra. Ravel and Samuel Barber.
Sun 1	HARVEST 8am Mass 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.

ISLINGTON PROMS Caroline Griffiths 'From Dalston to the Regent Canal'



Caroline Griffiths studied Fine Art at City Lit. She lives and paints in East London where her work celebrates its distinctive architecture and the changes brought about by the shifting seasons. She uses water-based media and pastel and has exhibited in London's Mall Galleries.

'From what I can remember'
John Burniston: 60 years behind a camera - a retrospective on screen
SEPTEMBER 4th TO OCTOBER 1st 2023
St James' Church, Prebend Street N1 8PH
Open daily from 10-6pm Free Entry
www.CarolineGriffiths.net www.islingtonproms.com

Calendar and Daily prayer themes

Sun 17 TRINITY 15	Louise Ahmet, Vinney, Benjy and Sienna Payne
Mon 18 DEL Week 24	Martin, Kerri, Rebecca and Joseph Allen
Tues 19 St Theodore	Lebby and Sarah Anafu; Richard and Elizabeth Batchelor
Wed 20 Feria	Vicky Bellamy; Albert and Annie Bryan; Vivienne Carlton
Thurs 21 St MATTHEW, Ap	Fr John, Maria and Sinead Burniston
Fri 22 Feria	Chris, Katja, Arnold and Egon Carter, Dennis Davis
Sat 23 Feria	Dionne, Aly, Sophie, Emma and Jack Carter
Sun 24 TRINITY 16	Alex, Claire, Kaitlin and Oliver Church; Adam Dickson

PRAYER BOARD/NOTICES Requests for prayer welcome

- BIRTHDAYS** Many Happy Returns this week to Kerri Allen, Charlie Seabrook, Alastair Hume and Vera Taggart
- WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** Our warmest congratulations to Sid and Rosemary Ross, celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary. Ad multos annos!
- SICK** Elizabeth Batchelor, Denise Clarke, Peter Freeth, Kris Hyde, Hayley Jenkins, John, Kingsley Lewis, Delia Rockett, Hazel Saunders, John Scott, Charlie Sharpe, Julia Taylor, Arthur Ward, Revd Marjorie Ward and Mary Whalley.
- INDOOR MEMBERS** Annie Bryan, Vivien Carlton, Kingsley Lewis (Bridgeside Lodge) and Wendy Fisher Gordon.
- ANNIVERSARIES** 21st: John Donald (2003); 22nd: Bryn Lane, Ruth Parkes; 23rd: Brian Masters, bishop (1998); Jill Hetherington (2020).
- INTERNATIONAL LINKS In the US:** Fr Travis Smith, Rector of Holy Comforter, Angleton and Mth Suzanne Smith, Rector of Grace Church, Alvin, Texas. In Japan: Fr Sebastian and Yuki Naniwa, now transferred to a university chaplaincy in Tokyo.
- PRISONER OF CONSCIENCE** We pray for the release of **Peter Jouvenal**, held by the Taliban since December 2021 and for all political prisoners.
- IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK** We pray for all those so affected by the disasters in Libya and Morocco.



Open from 12 noon each Monday.



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PARISH MASS
for Trinity 15
Islington Proms Festival Mass
Sunday 17 September 2023

as streamed from
St James' Church
Islington N1



May God bless every
£1 we give so that St
James' will be here,
not just for today and
for tomorrow, but for
the future he wants to
create.

PARISH MASS FOR THE 2023 ISLINGTON PROMS FESTIVAL

Entry Hymn: **CAHON737 When, in our music** [t Engelberg]

*When, in our music God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!*

*How often, making music, we have found
a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!*

*So has the Church, in liturgy and song,
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in every tongue: Alleluia!*

*Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!* (Words: Fred Pratt Green)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

We sit. Words of welcome or introduction may be said

Words of Preparation

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Confession

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past,
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Kyrie

Mass in F, Harold Darke

<i>Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison</i>	Lord have mercy
<i>Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison</i>	Christ have mercy
<i>Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison</i>	Lord have mercy.

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

Gloria

Mass in F, Harold Darke

*Glory be to God on high
and in earth peace, good will to all men.*

*We praise Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee,
we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesu Christ.
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world have mercy upon us,
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.*

*For Thou only art holy, Thou only art the Lord,
Thou only O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most High in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

**Most merciful God, to whose glory this Church was built so that
prayer and praise may be offered to you in every generation: bless
all the music performed in this place so that our hearts and minds
may be in tune with the harmony of heaven; we make our prayer
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sit

The Word of God

1st Reading: (1 Samuel 16: 14-23) Now the spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord tormented him. And Saul's servants said to him, 'See now, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. Let our lord now command the servants who attend you to look for someone who is skilful in playing the lyre; and when the evil spirit from God is upon you, he will play it, and you will feel better.' So Saul said to his servants, 'Provide for me someone who can play well, and bring him to me.' One of the young men answered, 'I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite who is skilful in playing, a man of valour, a warrior, prudent in speech, and a man of good presence; and the Lord is with him.' So Saul sent messengers to Jesse, and said, 'Send me your son David who is with the sheep.' Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine, and a kid, and sent them by his son David to Saul. And David came to Saul, and entered his service. Saul loved him greatly, and he became his armour-bearer. Saul sent to Jesse, saying, 'Let David remain in my service, for he has found favour in my sight.'

And whenever the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, David took the lyre and played it with his hand, and Saul would be relieved and feel better, and the evil spirit would depart from him.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98

Chant: C V Stanford

- 1 O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things.
- 2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.
- 4 He has remembered his mercy and truth towards the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
- 5 Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks.
- 6 Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.
- 7 With trumpets also, and shawms: O show yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world, and they that dwell therein.
- 9 Let the floods clap their hands and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the world: and the people with equity.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

2nd Reading: (Colossians 3: 12-17) As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and correct one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A short time of silence follows as we reflect on all we have heard.

Let us stand and welcome the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

We sing together:

Al - le - lu - ia! Your words, O Lord, are spi - rit and life.

Al - le - lu - ia! O - pen our hearts to your word.

We say together:

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

We sing once more: Alleluia, alleluia...

Gospel

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

(St John 4: 19-24) Then the woman of Samaria said to Jesus: 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.'

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

Sermon

Rt Revd Michael Marshall

Remain seated

The Creed

Mass in F, Harold Darke

I believe in one God.

*the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible.*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds.*

*God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
Begotten not made, being with the Father, by whom all things were made:
who, for us men and our salvation, came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,*

*And was made man, and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.*

*And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And He shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead
whose Kingdom shall have no end.*

*And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
who spake by the prophets.*

*And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the Resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

The Intercessions

At the end:

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Stand

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Anthem: O Lorde, the Maker of al thing

John Joubert

*O Lorde, the Maker of al thing,
we pray Thee, now in this evening
us to defende, through Thy mercy,
from all deceits of our en'my.*

*Let neither us deluded be, Good Lorde,
with dreams or phantasy,
oure hearts wakyng in Thee Thou kepe,
that we to sinne fall not on slepe.*

*O Father, through thy blessed Sonne,
grant us our petition
to whom with the Holy Ghost always,
in heav'n and yearth be laude and praise.*

(Words: King Henry VIII)

Stand

At the Offertory

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, my friends, that our thanksgiving may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept this sacrifice from our hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this
table bring harmony and wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the
name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Remain standing

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, all powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.

For by the power of your Holy Spirit you sent your Son
to show us a new way calling your Church to be
a place of love, forgiveness and hope.

Draw us unto your kingdom of freedom,
that we may embrace your compassion,
set aside our judgemental attitudes
and embody the forgiveness you make possible in Christ
so that we share with others
the grace we have ourselves received.

And so with the angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we join
the unending hymn of praise:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Mass in F, Harold Darke

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory:
Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

Blessed is He who cometh in the Name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the Highest.

Sit or kneel

Lord you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.
**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come again.**

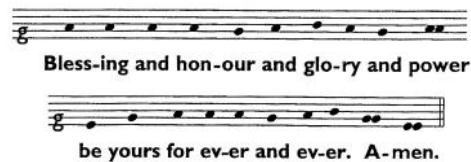
And so, Father,
calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice
made once for the sins of the whole world;

rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

We bring before you this bread and this cup
and thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Mary the Mother of God,
St James, St Peter and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through him
from whom all good things come,
Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:



As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy king - dom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread,
and for - give us our tres - pass - es, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us.
And lead us not in - to temp - tation, but de - liv er us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom the power and the glory for ev er and ev - er, A - men.

Fraction

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share the one bread.**

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Agnus Dei
Mass in F, Harold Darke

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us Thy peace.

Invitation

Come and kneel at the altar of God, not because you are strong but because you are weak. Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you the right to come, but because you need mercy and help. Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more. Come, because he loves you and gave himself for you.

Lift up your hearts and minds above the cares and fears and let this bread and wine be to you the token of the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, all meant for you if you will accept them in humble faith; for this is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are we who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Sit

After Communion

Post Communion: **File Living God, your joyful; Spirit** [AM315 Abbot's Leigh]

**Living God, your joyful Spirit breaks the bounds of time and space,
rests in love upon your people, drawn together in this place.
Here we join in glad thanksgiving, here rejoice to pray and praise:
Lord of all our past traditions, Lord of all our future days.**

**Living God, your love has called us in the name of Christ your Son,
forming us to be his body, by your Spirit making one.
May we gently lead each other, share our hunger and our thirst;
learn that only through our weakness shall we know the strength of Christ.**

**Lord, when we grow tired of giving, feel frustration, hurt and strain,
by your Spirit's quiet compulsion, draw us back to you again.
Guide us through the anxious searching when our confidence is lost;
see the hope of all our yearning, arms outstretched upon the cross.**

**Living God, your power surrounds us, as we face the way Christ trod,
challenge us to fresh commitment to the purposes of God:
called to share a new creation, called to live your holy word,
promised all the joys of heaven through the grace of Christ our Lord.**

(Words: Jan Berry, adapted JB)

Communion Antiphon:

The cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of the Lord.

Post Communion:

God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things never fail to praise your holy name. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Community Notices and Blessing

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Final Hymn: **AM766 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven** [t Praise my soul]

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King.**

**Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness.**

**Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy shows.**

**Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace.**

(Words: Henry Francis Lyte)