

*Our vision is to be a growing community
where God is found in the beauty and joy of our worship, the warmth of our welcome,
the breadth of our outreach and our love for our neighbour.*

Sunday 16th August 2026
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Paul's - and a special welcome to Isla Ashdown and her family, as they come to celebrate her baptism and first communion. You can join today's live service online at 10.00 a.m. on our YouTube channel 'St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside' via this direct link: [St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpaulsparkside), or via one of the links to the YouTube Channel on the St Paul's website: www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk. To receive regular communications from St Paul's by email and text, please update your contact details (email and mobile phone) by sending an email to the Parish Administrator at: office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk

Music before service	<i>Minuet and Trio from The Water Music</i> by G. F. Handel (1685-1759)
Opening hymn	450 <i>Morning has broken</i>
First reading	Romans 11:1-2, 29-32 [God's mercy to all]
Gradual hymn	509 <i>O Lord, all the world belongs to you</i>
Gospel	Matthew 15:21-28 [A Canaanite woman's daughter is healed]
Preparation hymn	88 <i>Brother, sister, let me serve you</i>
Communion hymns	674 <i>This is my body, broken for you</i> 66 <i>Be still and know that I am God</i>
Final hymn	901 <i>This little light of mine</i>
Final Music	<i>Finale from The Water Music</i> by G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

*The angel who was sunbathing on my roof this morning said:
"Put children in charge of your churches,
and watch how playful God becomes."*

John Roedel

Thank you for your generosity! St Paul's depends on your prayers, and your gifts of time, talents and resources to enable all that we do together in mission. If you'd like to make a one-off financial donation today, please scan the QR code.



Collect	O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen
Post Communion Prayer	Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings: Isabel Heycock, William Fairbarns. **Intercessions:** Rosemary Booth.

Coffee after the service: Please join us for coffee in the lounge after this morning's service.

Birthdays in the month of August

8 th	Shirley Thompson	23 rd	Christine Brown	26 th	Kevin Jones
10 th	Helena Butcher	23 rd	James Harper-Jones	30 th	Peter Yu
19 th	Ben Peart	25 th	Sarah Peart	30 th	Jamie Crooks
19 th	Cathy Ho				

Notices



If you would be interested in becoming involved in the ministry of “church-sitting” in pairs to welcome guests, there is a signup sheet for **Saturday mornings only, 10 a.m. - 12 noon**, on the noticeboard at the back of church, if you can help on an occasional basis. Other days are also possible. Please have a word with Rev'd Jack or the churchwardens.

Services this week

Evening prayers will be held at **6 p.m. this evening**. Join Revd Jack for **Morning and Evening Prayer** on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** at **9:00 a.m.** and **6:00 p.m.**, and **Midday Eucharist** on **Wednesdays**.

St Paul's Pantry: Next opening is **Thursday 10th September** (NB: no session on 27th August).



Tea and Toys



Tea and Toys Playgroup for babies, toddlers and their parents/carers is on a break until **Tuesday 8th September**.

Church Notices

Doreen and John Hewitt celebrate their golden wedding anniversary later this week and would be pleased if you could join them for a celebratory drink in the coffee lounge after the service this morning.

Creationtide display boards We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to prepare illustrations for the seven popular creation- or harvest-themed hymns that will be displayed around church throughout September. You're welcome to work in small groups - and to use any resources your imagination desires! Please sign up for a chosen hymn on the sheet at the back of church. Texts will be printed for you and posted on the boards by **Sunday 23rd August**; displays then need to be ready for **Sunday 6th September**. For more information, please speak to Revd Jack, Gill or Doreen.

Pastoral letter from Bishop Martin Please see the brief summer letter to the Kingston Episcopal Area, displayed at the back of church.

Altar serving We are keen to recruit new members for our serving team, who carry a cross or candles in procession and help to prepare the communion table. Adults and children are equally welcome; full training is provided, and you can volunteer as frequently or infrequently as suits your schedule. Please speak to Revd Jack or Claire Neate for more information.

In-person Safeguarding Training, Saturday 5th September, 10 a.m. - 12 noon: There will be an opportunity for those who wish to take foundation-level training in safeguarding in-person (rather than online) led by members of the Diocesan team. Claire Neate will contact those for whom attendance is required due to volunteering responsibilities - but anybody is welcome to attend, as part of our collective commitment to making St Paul's a safe and trusting environment for everyone. A sign-up sheet is now available on the church noticeboard.

St Paul's Pantry We still need your help to keep the Pantry well stocked and particularly need the following at the moment: Sardines in brine/spring water; Mackerel fillets in tomato sauce; Meatballs in tomato sauce; Hot dogs (tins or jars); Long-life milk (1 litre); Tinned sweetcorn (325 g); Mayonnaise; Tomato ketchup; Peach slices; Pineapple chunks; Orange marmalade; Strawberry jam; Tinned custard; Tinned rice pudding; Wheat biscuits ('Weetabix'); Cornflakes (500g); Rice Pops; Washing up liquid. Please bring your contributions and place them on the table on your right as you enter the church. Thank you very much!

Coffee Rota - new volunteers needed! We all enjoy the chance to meet each other and chat over a hot drink after morning service at St Paul's; however, we are short of volunteers! Would you consider joining the rota? It's a great way to get to know other people at St Paul's better. It's not difficult to learn the ropes and we will be happy to go through things with you, should you want to find out more. Please speak to Juliet Childs if you think you could help with this important aspect of our fellowship.

Giving: Your giving is what enables St Paul's in all its services and work in the community. Everything that happens here is carried by the **prayers, volunteering and generous giving** of our congregation and guests. Giving - in gifts and acts of service - is at the heart of all we do as a church, but all the gifts we receive are hugely appreciated and make a difference. You can give using the **card reader** at the door; cash or cheque in a **giving envelope** can be dropped in the box near the door. If you are a UK taxpayer, **please consider filling in the Gift Aid declaration** on the envelope to make your gift go even further. You can also give a one-off donation using **this QR code**.



The pew sheet: Please send notices to pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk. The deadline for next Sunday's pew sheet is midday **Tuesday 18th August**.

Future Services		In church and online
16th August 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer 19th August 12 noon Midweek Communion 23rd August 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion for the Eleventh Sunday after Trinity		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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