



Sunday 20th September 2026

10.30am Morning Worship

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Colossians 1: 15-23

Confident in Christ: Hoping in Him

Welcome and prayer

Words of greeting

**We gather today to worship the One who created us,
The One who calls us,
The One who equips us,
The One who loves us without end.
With joyful hearts, let us worship God.**

Song : Praise

Children go out to their groups

Confession

**Holy God, we come before You in humility,
For we do not live as we ought.
We do not love You with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We do not love our neighbour as ourselves.
So we pray, in all humility,
That You will change our hearts and minds,
That You will show us again how to love others the way You love us,
That You will put power and courage in our hearts to do your will.
This we pray in Jesus' name and for His sake. Amen.**

Assurance of pardon

God has rescued us from the power of darkness, and brought us safe into the kingdom of his dear Son: in Christ our sins are forgiven and we are set free. Amen.

Bible Reading: Colossians 1: 15-23

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behaviour. ²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without

blemish and free from accusation – ²³ if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

Talk : Confident in Christ: Hoping in Him

Songs : This I believe (The Creed)
What a beautiful name

Intercessions

Lord's Prayer

**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 forever. Amen.**

Song : Come people of the risen king

Final prayer