



*To enjoy and share God's love with every generation*

## Welcome

as we join as One Body in Jesus Christ: isolated perhaps, but separated *never*.

**The Lord be with you.**

Welcome especially if you're new to these letters or to St Paul's or St Andrew's. Please email us if a friend wishes to join our e-church; also if you're happy to share stories, prayers or messages, as we build one another as the Body of Christ. Thankyou Lynda for a [powerful poem](#) you shared with me yesterday.

Today is often known as **Passion Sunday** – as just a week before Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, we hear of the death and raising of a dear friend, only later recognised as a powerful pointer to his Passion to come. We're delighted to have [Joe Chipper](#), our Ordinand, who is our podcast speaker today.

## Worship

Looking back to glories in sunny creation and forward to the Creator's overwhelming love on the cross, here is my favourite [worship song](#) from sabbatical last Autumn. **We pause** in the Father's presence...

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5.8

Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Worship** in this [song](#). *Purify my Heart (Refiner's Fire)*

So **receive** 'God's love... poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us'.

Romans 5.5

## Word

So we pray in today's **Collect** prayer:

**Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Thankyou**  
**Grace** & our  
Discoverers for  
this lovely  
happy picture –  
reminding us of  
God's love  
forgiving and  
delighting in us  
because of  
Jesus.



Hear our **Bible Readings** today in these links: Jesus' dear friend Lazarus is sick... [John 11](#)

But first, Joe our speaker looks 600 years back to Ezekiel's famous vision of Hope in [Ezekiel 37](#)

**Joe** picks up the story in [today's podcast](#).

**We pray** for our leaders, some themselves with COVID-19, and especially those working in health and social care, and right now for its rapid changes and reequipping.

We pray especially for those who've asked for prayer, including Molly Davies, Pam Martin, Wendy Jones, June Loudon, Kevin Edwards, Bronwen Craigie-Williams, Mary Martin, Beverley Rolls (Loader)

And we remember in the Father's love those who've died, including Maureen Jones, Charles Henry George James, Bernard Morgan, Mary Wright, Elizabeth 'Binkie' Talbot.

And we pray: **Our Father in Heaven...**

**Worship** in this [song](#). *How deep the Father's love for us*

**So the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and evermore. Amen**



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