

**GATHERING HYMN** – And can it be (31)

**COLLECT**

Lord of the hosts of heaven,  
our salvation and our strength,  
without you we are lost:  
guard us from all that harms or hurts  
and raise us when we fall;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 6.1-8**

*A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I had a vision of the Lord. He was on his throne high above, and his robe filled the temple. Flaming creatures with six wings each were flying over him. They covered their faces with two of their wings and their bodies with two more. They used the other two wings for flying, as they shouted,

“Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord All-Powerful!  
The earth is filled  
with your glory.”

As they shouted, the doorposts of the temple shook, and the temple was filled with smoke. Then I cried out, “I’m doomed! Everything I say is sinful, and so are the words of everyone around me. Yet I have seen the King, the Lord All-Powerful.”



One of the flaming creatures flew over to me with a burning coal that it had taken from the altar with a pair of metal tongs. It touched my lips with the hot coal and said, “This has touched your lips. Your sins are forgiven, and you are no longer guilty.”

After this, I heard the Lord ask, "Is there anyone I can send? Will someone go for us?"

"I'll go," I answered. "Send me!"

## **Psalm 138**

**8am only**

*R Your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever.*

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; •  
before the gods will I sing praise to you.

I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,  
because of your love and faithfulness; •

for you have glorified your name  
and your word above all things.

In the day that I called to you, you answered me; •  
you put new strength in my soul. R

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, •  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, •  
that great is the glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly; •  
as for the proud, he regards them from afar. R

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you will preserve me; •

you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand will save me.

The Lord shall make good his purpose for me; •  
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;  
forsake not the work of your hands. R

## **SECOND READING**

**I Corinthians 15.1-11**

*A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians*

My friends, I want you to remember the message that I preached and that you believed and trusted. You will be saved by this message, if you hold firmly to it. But if you don't, your faith was all for nothing.

I told you the most important part of the message exactly as it was told to me. That part is:

Christ died for our sins,  
as the Scriptures say.  
He was buried,  
and three days later  
he was raised to life,  
as the Scriptures say.  
Christ appeared to Peter,  
then to the twelve.  
After this, he appeared  
to more than five hundred other followers.  
Most of them are still alive,  
but some have died.  
He also appeared to James,  
and then to all of the apostles.

Finally, he appeared to me, even though I am like someone who was born at the wrong time.

I am the least important of all the apostles. In fact, I caused so much trouble for God's church that I don't even deserve to be called an apostle. But God was kind! He made me what I am, and his wonderful kindness wasn't wasted. I worked much harder than any of the other apostles, although it was really God's kindness at work and not me. But it doesn't matter if I preached or if they preached. All of you believed the message just the same.

**GOSPEL HYMN (reprise) – Dear Lord and Father (129)**

**GOSPEL**

**Luke 5.1-11**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

Jesus was standing on the shore of Lake Gennesaret, teaching the people as they crowded around him to hear God's message. Near the shore he saw two boats left there by some fishermen who had gone to wash their nets. Jesus got into the boat that belonged to Simon and asked him to row it out a little way from the shore. Then Jesus sat down in the boat to teach the crowd.

When Jesus had finished speaking, he told Simon, "Row the boat out into the deep water and let your nets down to catch some fish."

“Master,” Simon answered, “we have worked hard all night long and have not caught a thing. But if you tell me to, I will let the nets down.” They did it and caught so many fish that their nets began ripping apart. Then they signalled for their partners in the other boat to come and help them. The men came, and together they filled the two boats so full that they both began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this happen, he knelt down in front of Jesus and said, “Lord, don’t come near me! I am a sinner.” Peter and everyone with him were completely surprised at all the fish they had caught. His partners James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were surprised too.

Jesus told Simon, “Don’t be afraid! From now on you will bring in people instead of fish.” The men pulled their boats up on the shore. Then they left everything and went with Jesus.

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**HYMN OF THE GIFTS** – I the Lord of sea and sky (324)

**COMMUNION HYMNS** - Holy, Holy, Holy (272)  
Be still my soul (61)

### **POST COMMUNION**

Go before us, Lord, in all we do  
with your most gracious favour,  
and guide us with your continual help,  
that in all our works  
begun, continued and ended in you,  
we may glorify your holy name,  
and finally by your mercy  
receive everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



**FINAL HYMN** - Forth in the peace of Christ (171)

**Please come and meet one another and enjoy a cup of  
Fairtrade tea or coffee in the hall after the service**

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