



**Sixteenth Sunday after
Pentecost**

12 September 2021

**Solemn Evensong
and Benediction**

at 6.30pm



Welcome to Old Saint Paul's
An induction loop is fitted
to assist those with hearing difficulties.

Live Streaming

Most of our services are live streamed to allow participation by those who cannot attend in person. The live stream broadcast is also available to watch on demand on our social media channels, for viewing at a later date. Very little of the live stream focuses specifically on the congregation, but at certain times some parts of the congregation will be visible to viewers. If you do not wish to be identifiable on our live stream, there are seats in the Lady Chapel which will not be filmed. Please ask a Welcomer or other church volunteer for directions if needed.

The Solemn Evensong booklet will guide you through the service. This leaflet details only music special to today.

RESPONSES

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PSALM 78 verses 1-38

HEAR my law, O my people : incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable : I will declare hard sentences of old;
Which we have heard and known : and such as our fathers have told us;
That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come : but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.
He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law : which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;
That their posterity might know it : and the children which were yet unborn;
To the intent that when they came up : they might shew their children the same;
That they might put their trust in God : and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;
And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation : a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;
Like as the children of Ephraim : who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.
They kept not the covenant of God : and would not walk in his law;
But forgot what he had done : and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.
Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt : even in the field of Zoan.
He divided the sea, and let them go through : he made the waters to stand on an heap.
In the day-time also he led them with a cloud : and all the night through with a light of fire.
He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness : and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.
He brought waters out of the stony rock : so that it gushed out like the rivers.
Yet for all this they sinned more against him : and provoked the most Highest in the wilderness.
They tempted God in their hearts : and required meat for their lust.
They spake against God also, saying : Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?
He smote the stony rock indeed, that the waters

gushed out, and the streams flowed withal : but
 can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his
 people?
 When the Lord heard this, he was wroth : so the
 fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up
 heavy displeasure against Israel;
 Because they believed not in God : and put not their
 trust in his help.
 So he commanded the clouds above : and opened
 the doors of heaven.
 He rained down manna also upon them for to eat :
 and gave them food from heaven.
 So man did eat angels' food : for he sent them meat
 enough.
 He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven :
 and through his power he brought in the south-
 west-wind.
 He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust : and
 feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.
 He let it fall among their tents : even round about
 their habitation.
 So they did eat and were well filled, for he gave
 them their own desire : they were not
 disappointed of their lust.
 But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the
 heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew
 the wealthiest of them : yea, and smote down
 the chosen men that were in Israel.
 But for all this they sinned yet more : and believed
 not his wondrous works.
 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity : and
 their years in trouble.
 When he slew them, they sought him : and turned
 them early, and inquired after God.
 And they remembered that God was their strength
 : and that the high God was their redeemer.
 Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their
 mouth : and dissembled with him in their
 tongue.
 For their heart was not whole with him : neither
 continued they stedfast in his covenant.
 But he was so merciful, that he forgave their
 misdeeds : and destroyed them not.

FIRST READING Ezekiel 20.1-8, 33-34

OFFICE HYMN

[The New English Hymnal 54a. O Trinity of
 blessed light | Hymnary.org](#)

CANTICLES Wood in E flat

SECOND READING Mark 8.27-38

ANTHEM

Stand Holy Cross, between my God and me
 And cast a shadow where my heart can hide

Its frail mortality
From His perspicuous light.
The Cross's shade
Supplies my sin's disguise.
My soul protected I can turn my eyes.
And now the Father's light allows me view
A world, my world, made new.

The as horizons widen to a farther shore
And light on light enlightens more and more
This larger vision brings a deeper peace
And sin and sorrow cease.

Stand Holy Cross, between my God and me.

text *Gordon Graham*
music *John Kitchen*

SECOND HYMN

[The New English Hymnal 458. The Lord my
pasture shall prepare | Hymnary.org](#)

Next Week's Readings

Ezekiel 33.23, 33-34.10; Mark 9.3-37

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The Walking Group

This starts again in the autumn with a series of
Edinburgh Walks on Saturdays: 18th September,
16th October, 20th November.

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