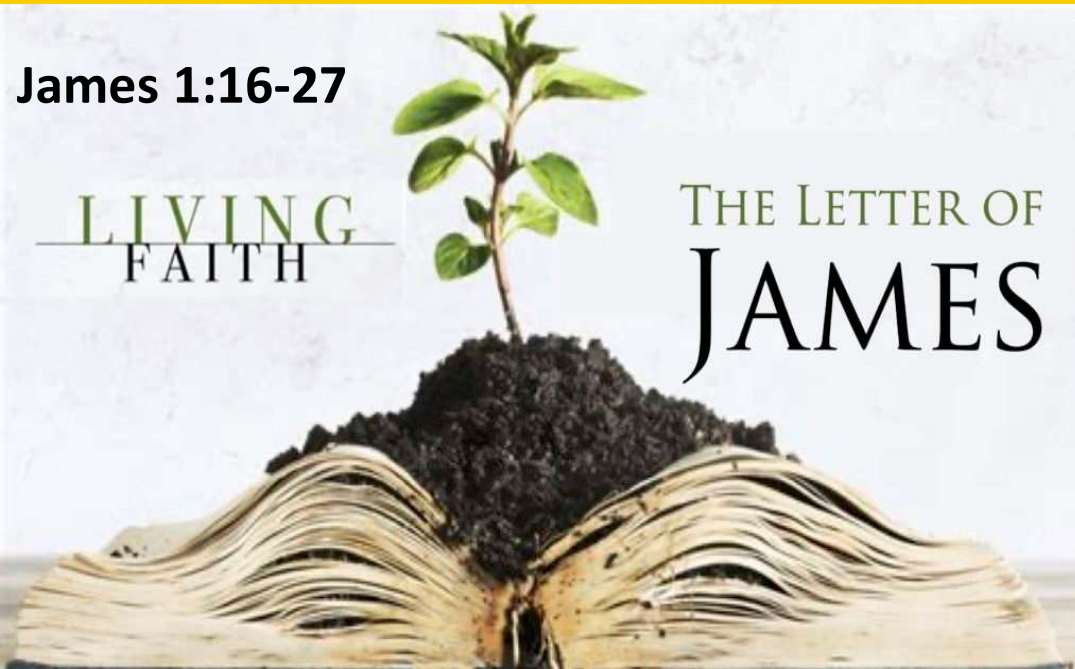




Christ Church St. Andrews

Glorifying God : Building Community



**Welcome to our
Communion Service
at 9am on
September 14th 2025**

**Simon, our associate vicar,
will be leading and
speaking.**

Opening prayer

**God of wonder and of joy: grace comes from You, and
You alone are the source of life and love.**

**Without You, we cannot please You;
without Your love, our deeds are worth nothing.
Send Your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that
most excellent gift of love, that we may worship You
now with thankful hearts and serve You always with
willing minds; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Introductory call to worship (based on Psalm 116)

The LORD is gracious and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.

The LORD protects the unwary;
when I was brought low, he saved me.

Return to your rest, my soul,
for the LORD has been good to you.

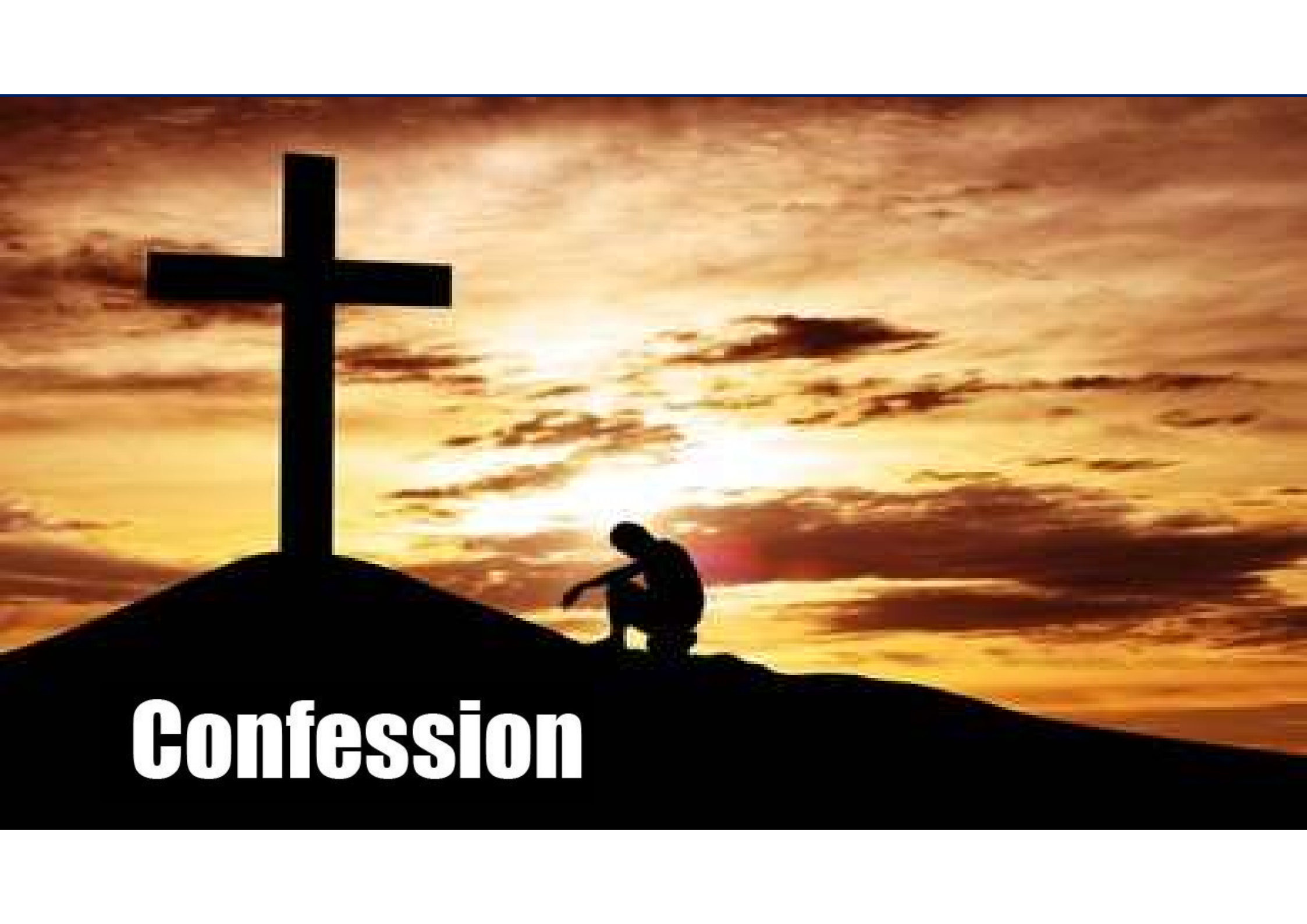
**Breathe on me, breath of God:
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love as you have loved
And do as you would do.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until my will is one with yours
To do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God;
Fulfil my heart's desire,
Until this earthly part of me
Glow with your heavenly fire.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God;
So shall I never die,
But live with you the perfect life
Of your eternity.**





Confession

Gracious God, we acknowledge our failure to respond faithfully to Jesus and His Lordship over us.

We often treat Jesus as if he were a mere earthly king, friendly companion, or problem-solver, failing to see Him as the ruler of all creation. We do not appreciate the depth of His passion and sacrifice on the cross, failing to acknowledge Him as our way of salvation.

We have not walked faithfully in the way of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, we pray, and bring us ever more fully into the joy of union with Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!
In Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Reading and Talk – James 1:16-27

¹⁶ Don't be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ¹⁸ He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent, and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom and continues in it – not forgetting what they have heard but doing it – they will be blessed in what they do.

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

**This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.**

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.**

**Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.**



Believe

THIS WE



Creed

**Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.**

We believe in God the Father, who created all things:
**for by His will they were created and have
their being.**

We believe in God the Son, who was slain:
**for with His blood, He purchased us for God,
from every tribe and language, from every
people and nation.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit:
the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!'
Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

Prayers (which may include)



Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.



Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for
the sake of your Son, our
Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The 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.

The Peace

Please stand

God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ
and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

We greet each other as a sign of our unity.



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Sharing the bread and wine



"May I never boast
except in the
cross of Christ."
Galatians 6:14

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TRULY I TELL YOU, TODAY YOU WILL BE
WITH ME IN PARADISE. WOMAN, HERE IS
YOUR SON. THIS IS YOUR MOTHER.

MY GOD,
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life for his friends*

John 15:13

The Communion Prayer

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise You, Father, Lord of all creation; in Your love You made us for Yourself. When we turned away You did not reject us, but came to meet us in Your Son.

**You embraced us as your children, and
welcomed us to sit and eat with You.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in Him and
He in us.

**He opened His arms of love upon the cross and
made once for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night He was betrayed, at supper with His friends
He took bread, and gave you thanks; He broke it and gave
it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given
for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of Him:
His body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, He gave You thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of Him:
His blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim His death and celebrate His rising in glory, send Your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of Your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With Your whole Church throughout the world we offer
You this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the
eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Amen.**

We draw near with faith to receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which He gave for us and his blood which He shed for us. We eat and drink in remembrance that He died for us, and feed on Him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.



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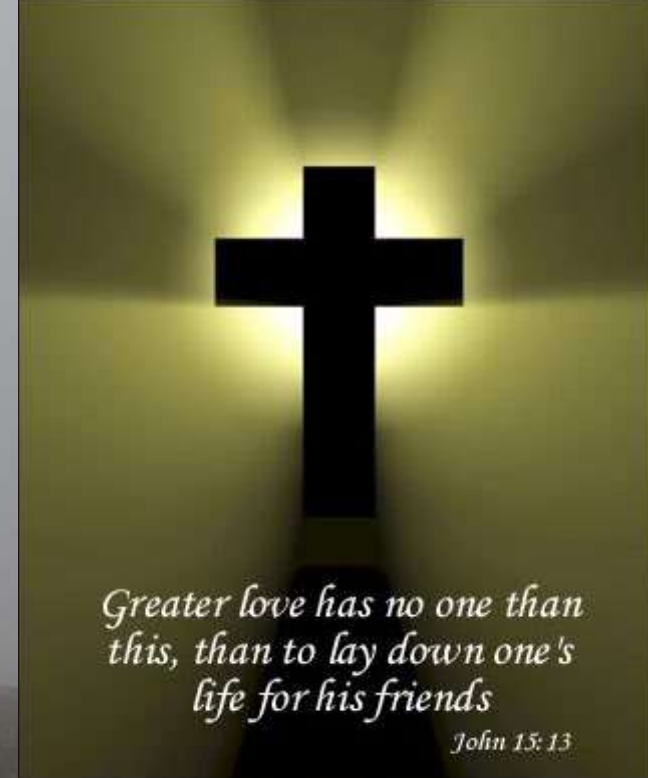
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Prayer after communion

Father of all, we give You thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in Your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, He declared Your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life and bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

**Keep us firm in the hope You have set before us,
so we and all Your children shall be free, and the
whole earth live to praise Your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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**To God be the glory, great things He hath done,
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice;*

*O, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory; great things He hath done.*

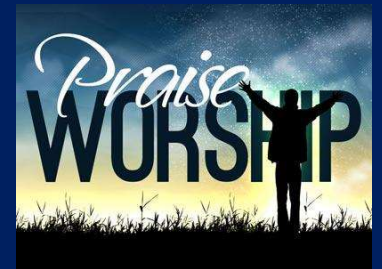
**O, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.**

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Let the people rejoice;*

*O, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory; great things He hath done.*

**Great things He hath taught us, great things
He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see.**

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.



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**Our aim at Christ Church
St Andrews is to glorify God
by building a Christ centred
community through the
power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Refreshments are served at
the back of church.**



**If you would like to pray with
someone about anything,
please ask the leader of the
service who will direct you to
someone suitable.**

**Thank you for joining us.
We hope to see you again.**