Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



Second Sunday After Trinity 21st June 2020, 10.00am

Words of welcome

Hymn

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode; on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove; who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage? Grace which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Saviour, since of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am, let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name; fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show; solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

John Newton (1725-11907), 'Abbots Leigh'

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit **Amen**. Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you **and also with you.**

Prayers of Penitence

In our baptism, God calls us to be Christ-like: let us call to mind our failures to follow in the way of Christ and let us pray for God's renewing and healing Spirit.

Silence is kept

Your Spirit in baptism brings freedom, but so often our lives are weighed down by burdens we carry within us. Lord, have mercy.

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Your Spirit in baptism brings courage, but so often our lives are ill at ease, full of fear for what the day may bring us. Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Your Spirit in baptism brings wisdom but we find it so hard to recognise your gentle whisper speaking to us. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son, glory be to God the Spirit, great I AM, the Three-in-One: glory, glory, glory, glory, while eternal ages run!

Glory to the King of angels, glory to the church's King, glory to the King of nations, Heaven and Earth, your praises bring: glory, glory, glory, glory, to the King of glory bring!

'Glory, blessing, praise eternal!' Thus the choir of angels sings; 'Honour, riches, power, dominion!' Thus its praise creation brings: glory, glory, glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!

The Collect

Let us pray

Silence is kept

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 49.1-12

Then he brought me back to the entrance of the temple; there, water was flowing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east); and the water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me around on the outside to the outer gate that faces toward the east; and the water was coming out on the south side.

Going on eastward with a cord in his hand, the man measured one thousand cubits, and then led me through the water; and it was ankle-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was knee-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was up to the waist. Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross, for the water had risen; it was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be crossed. He said to me, "Mortal, have you seen this?"

Then he led me back along the bank of the river. As I came back, I saw on the bank of the river a great many trees on the one side and on the other. He said to me, "This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes. People will stand fishing beside the sea from En-gedi to En-eglaim; it will be a place for the spreading of nets; its fish will be of a great many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing."

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Taizé Chant

Let all who are thirsty come let all who wish receive the water of life freely. Amen, come Lord Jesus. Amen, come Lord Jesus.

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Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel reading: John 7.37-39

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon

The Bishop of Oxford

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty. We believe and trust in Jesus Christ His Son. We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit. We believe and trust in the Three in One

From the Northumbrian Community

Prayers of Intercession

Led by Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

These responses may be used

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

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

The Peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith, heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

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

Preparation of the Table

Hymn

Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters. Tired and broken, peace unspoken, rest beside these living waters.

Christ is calling, find refreshing at the cross of living waters. Lay your life down, all the old gone, rise up in these living waters.

There's a river that flows with mercy and love, bringing joy to the city of our God. There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore, praise the Lord of living waters.

Spirit moving, mercy washing, healing in these living waters. Lead your children to the shoreline, life is in these living waters.

There's a river that flows ...

Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters. Love forgiveness, vast and boundless, Christ he is our living waters.

There's a river that flows ...

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Taking of the Bread and Wine

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom. **Amen**.

The Eucharistic Prayer F

The Lord be with you and also with you. 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.

You are worthy of our thanks and praise Lord God of truth, for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your Word, and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the Law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice and mercy.

In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven, evermore praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light, yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness. Embracing our humanity, Jesus taught us the way of salvation. Loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us. Dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night you gave up your Son for us all he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, and we long for his coming in glory.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high. Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

We say

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

To be said by those unable to receive communion – or you may wish to say a personal prayer of your own.

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Music During Communion

Stranger on the Shore, Acker Bilk

Prayer after Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn

You shall go out with joy And be let forth with peace, And the mountains and the hills Will break forth before you. There'll be shouts of joy And the trees of the fields Will clap, will clap their hands.

And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands, And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands, And the trees of the fields shall clap their hands, And you'll go out with joy.

The Sending Out

The Blessing

The Bishop of Oxford

May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace, mend what is broken, unite what is divided, live the gospel. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Closing Music

'Jupiter' from *The Planets*, Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

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