Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



Twelfth Sunday After Trinity 30th August 2020

Words of welcome

Hymn (for online service)

Take up your cross," the Saviour said, "if you would my disciple be; take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me."

Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still; the Lord for you accepted death upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength, and calmly every danger brave: it guides you to abundant life and leads to victory o'er the grave.

Please remain seated throughout the service.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit **Amen**.

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you **and also with you.**

Prayers of Penitence

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

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 God's kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray

Silence is kept

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading: Romans 12. 9-end

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour.

Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

Gospel Reading

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

Gospel reading: Matthew 16. 21-end

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

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

Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

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

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

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. We meet in the name of Christ and we share Christ's peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

Please stay seated. We share the peace with a simple bow or wave to those around us

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

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.

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 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.

Bells are rung

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.

Bells are rung

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. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, As our saviour taught us, so we pray. 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 for 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.

As the president receives the bread and wine, all who wish to

receive communion join in saying 'Amen'.

The body of Christ, keep you in eternal life. **Amen**. The blood of Christ, keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

Communion will be administered in silence. Please remain seated while we bring communion to you. If you do not wish to receive communion, the priest will pray a silent blessing instead – please clearly hold this service booklet to indicate this.

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.

Prayer after Communion

God of all mercy,

in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

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; we who drink his cup 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.

The Sending Out

Hymn (for online service)

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down: fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown: Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be: let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, 'til in heav'n we take our place, 'til we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Blessing

This or another blessing is used

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; 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 to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it. Please use the hand sanitizer as you exit the building.

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Notices

Face Coverings in Church

Face coverings are now required to be worn in church unless you are legally exempt. We have disposable masks available if you forget, but please remember to bring one if you can. Each time you wear a face covering, you could remember to pray for healthcare workers and those who have to wear them for long periods of time whilst working.

The Parish Office and Notices

Please note the Parish Office will be closed from 12 noon Thursday 3rd September and will reopen at 9am on Tuesday 22nd September. Please email all notices to Helen office@hthq.uk for Sunday 6th, 13th & 20th September no later than next Wednesday at 9am.

Readings and Intercessions for Sunday worship

Please let Helen know (office@hthq.uk) if you would like to volunteer read and lead intercessions on a Sunday morning starting on

October 4th. The same person or members of the same household will need to do the first reading and lead the intercessions. We can provide set intercessions as needed.

Prayers for Hope and Healing

As we begin to take stock of the past months and look ahead to the future, our priority is to make time to pray together as we seek God's direction. Our first prayer meeting is planned for **Thursday 10th September, from 8.30-9pm**, held via Zoom. This will include a brief meditation on scripture and 20 minutes of silent prayer.

Church Building Development

The planning application for our building development is now at the public consultation stage. Please keep this process in your prayers in the coming weeks. Here is a prayer you could use:

God of endless possibilities We give you thanks for our church building: for its rich heritage; for those who built and founded it; for those who have worshipped here over the years. We commit to you our plans to adapt the building: For wisdom as we seek to know your will For healing as we acknowledge the divisions of the past For vision as we see our plans with fresh eyes. For the resources, people and ideas that we need to complete the plans. Enable our building truly to be an open door between heaven and earth, showing God's love to all. We offer our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our cornerstone and foundation. Amen.

Asylum Welcome

A message from Zig Nowicki: Asylum Welcome are now open for donations again, so please leave donations of foodstuff, toiletries and nappies in the box with the purple lid at the back of the church

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Pastoral Care

Please contact Laura or any member of the team if you or someone you know is in need of pastoral support: Helen Day, Anne Tarrasenko, Nell Slocock, Sue Saville, Margaret Taylor.

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