Holy Trinity Headington Quarry



Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

6th September 2020

Words of welcome

Hymn (For online service)

Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour first-begotten from the dead, thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head. Alleluia, alleluia, Jesu, true and living bread.

Here our humble homage pay we, here in loving reverence bow; here for faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now. Alleluia, alleluia, thou art here, we ask not how.

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain, in its fullness undiminished shall for evermore remain, Alleluia, alleluia, cleansing souls from every strain.

Life-imparting heavenly manna, stricken rock with streaming side, heaven and earth with loud hosanna worship thee, the Lamb who died, Alleluia, alleluia, risen, ascended, glorified!

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

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading: Romans 13. 8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

Gradual - Longing for Light (Farrell)

Gospel Reading

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

Gospel reading: Matthew 18. 15-20

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

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

Anthem - Lead me Lord, SS Wesley

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 our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through 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

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye blessed souls at rest, who ran this earthly race, and now, from sin released, behold the Saviour's face, his praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; take what he gives and praise him still, through good and ill, who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above, and with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love; let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with 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.

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Notices

The Flowers in Church today are in memory of Kath Meekley, a much loved mother, granny and great granny. They are given with love from her three daughters Alison, Frances and Catherine and all the family

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 Thursday 3rd September and will reopen at 9am on Tuesday 22nd September.

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.

Churchyard work party

There will be a churchyard work party on **Saturday, September 12th at 10am.** Would anyone who would like to help please ring Susan Houlton beforehand so that we can make sure we do not have more than the 6 people we are allowed.

We must ask helpers to bring their own hand tools, and if anyone can manage to bring a digging spade and fork for their own use, this would be useful. We need to do some weeding and general tidying, remove tree seedlings and, if the wasps have departed, finish clearing the end compost bin and bag up the compost.

Children's Outdoor Worship

We would like to run some outdoor 'forest church' Sunday services for children and families, using the vicarage wood, and we would like to form a team to help plan and run these services. Please contact Laura (vicar@hthq.uk) if you would like to get involved! We are hoping to hold the first service on Sunday October 4th at 3pm.

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.

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