Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



St Luke the Evangelist 18th October 2020

Words of welcome and parish prayer

Hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Please sit.

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

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

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, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 35.1-6

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom;like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,

and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,

and streams in the desert; This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn - Be thou my vision

Gospel Reading

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

Gospel reading: Luke 10. 1-9

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

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

Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

Please stand

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

Please sit

Prayers of Intercession

Affirmation of Faith

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.

Please stand

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

We share the peace with a simple bow or wave to those around us

Please sit

Anthem – Os Justi, Bruckner

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Father, accept all we bring before you this day. Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 after Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in 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

O thou who camest from above the fire celestial to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart!

There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return in humble prayer and fervent praise. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire to work, and speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire, and still stir up the gift in me.

Ready for all thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat; till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

The Blessing

This or another blessing is used

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with Luke and all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; 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

NHS Covid-19 App

If you have the NHS Covid-19 App, please 'check in' to the church building using the QR code at the door when you come on Sundays or in the week.

Reflections on Mission in Covid Times

Over the next few weeks, we will be seeking God's wisdom as we reflect on what we have been learning about mission during this time of pandemic. Laura's sermon today will connect with the second mark of mission: to teach, baptize and nurture new believers.

Harvest Appeal

Our harvest appeal for the Community Emergency Foodbank last week raised a fantastic amount of £579.37, and the PCC also donated £300 towards the appeal, making a total of £879.37. Thank you to all who contributed so generously. We also had a really fun Forest Church for Harvest, and are hoping to run more of these family friendly services in November and December, so please watch this space!

Zoom Book Club: Compassion

Magdalene Sacranie from the UK Task Force on Compassion will be running a Zoom book club discussing Karen Armstrong's *Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life*. This will meet monthly on the first Wednesday of the month, beginning Wednesday November 4th at 8pm. Please let Laura know (vicar@hthq.uk) if you would like to sign up.

All Souls Day: Sunday November 1st

We plan to hold a service for All Souls Day on Sunday November 1st at 6pm, to remember our loved ones who have died in previous years. If you would like to attend the service, please phone or email Helen (<u>office@hthq.uk</u>, 762931) to register. Helen will confirm your place nearer to the date. We will only be able to allocate a limited number of spaces at the service, but we will also make a recording of the service for those not able to attend in person. To submit a name of a loved one to be remembered at the service, please go to: <u>www.hthq.uk/all-souls-day</u> or call Helen if you are not online.

Poppy Appeal

Owing to the pandemic, it is not feasible to sell poppies at the back of church this year. However you should still find poppies for sale in some shops and supermarkets. Alternatively you can request 20 free poppies in the post for family and friends, with details of how to donate to the Poppy Appeal, from this link:

https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/ways-to-give/poppies-in-the-post

If link fails, search for "British Legion Poppies in the post". You need to order these before 31 October. White poppies can also be bought online from the Peace Pledge Union website.

Soul Space on C.S. Lewis.

Two Soul Space episodes exploring C.S. Lewis - his life, ideas and connection to our church—are available to listen to online. Thank you to Mike and Ruth Wooldridge for this initiative, and to Mike for offering his time and expert broadcasting skills in the production of these programmes.

Readings and Intercessions for Sunday worship

Please let Helen know (office@hthq.uk) if you would like to volunteer to read and

lead intercessions on a Sunday morning or to do just the first reading on a particular Sunday. The same person or members of the same household will need to do the first reading and lead the intercessions.

APCM: Wednesday 21st October 7.30pm

Our Annual Church Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st October, 7.15pm for 7.30pm, postponed from April. This meeting will be held online, via Zoom. The paperwork and Zoom details are available on the church website. Please contact Helen (office@hthq.uk) to request a printed copy of the activities booklet.

Morning Prayer

Morning prayer has resumed at 9am on Mondays only to begin with. We will meet in the Chancel – please bring your own Bible (or Bible App!)

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An open door between heaven and earth, showing God's love to all.

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