

Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry



Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

19th September 2021

Words of welcome.

Hymn

Please stand

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
*all are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's
grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome ...

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome ...

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and
visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome

The president says

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

A minister says

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**

The president says

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

Gloria

Firmly (♩ = 108) *f*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on
6 earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-might-y God and
10 Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
14 glo-ry. *mf* Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the
20 Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
25 world: *p* have mer-cy on us; *cresc.* you are sea-ted at the
29 right hand of the Fa-ther: *f* re-ceive our prayer. For
33 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
37 you a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly
41 *ff* Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - - men.

The Collect

Let us pray:

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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

First Reading: James 3. 13-4.3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Please stand

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.

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I am the first and the last says the Lord, and the living one:
I was dead and behold I am alive forevermore

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel reading: Mark 9. 30-37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

Affirmation of Faith

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

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

Please stand

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

You are invited to exchange a sign of peace with a bow or a wave or a smile – please remain in your place.

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

Please sit or stand as you are most comfortable

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:

Sanctus

Easily (♩ = 100) *mp* UPPER VOICES ONLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

mf ALL *cresc.*

God of power and might, God of power and might,

f

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

ff

san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Benedictus

Quiet and reflective ($\text{♩} = 100$)

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel

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.**

Agnus Dei

Gently flowing (♩ = 63)

mf CONGREGATION

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.
p Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
a little slower
Grant us, 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.**

This is God's table and all are welcome here. Please follow the directions of the steward, and please keep a safe distance from others and follow the one-way system as you return to your seat. Please do also come forwards if you would like a prayer of blessing instead, and hold onto this booklet to indicate this.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
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

Hymn

Please stand

All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown, he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

The Blessing

This or another blessing is used

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
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 wait for any closing music to finish and then exit the building promptly, taking care not to block the entrance or church path. Please leave from the back pews first. If you are sitting near the front, you are welcome to use the chancel door, but mind the step! Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it.

We no longer pass the collection plate around during the service, but you are welcome to use the collection plate at the back of church, or the contactless machine, if you would like to make a donation to support the work of our church.

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Notices: 19th September

Sunday 19th September

8am – Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer.

10am – Parish Eucharist

10am – Forest Sunday School

6pm – Sanctified! A celebration of Gospel Blues

Following the Parish Eucharist, all are welcome to stay for a screening of: The Church of C.S. Lewis: A Pilgrim's Guide. This 20 minute film offers a guided tour of Holy Trinity, including a trip to the Kilns and C.S. Lewis nature reserve, and an outline of our future building plans.

Parish Office is closed and will reopen on Tuesday 21st at 8.30am.

Celebrating our building plans! In today's service we give thanks for the progress made so far in our church building restoration and development work: our wonderful new lighting, sound and interior decoration, and some small steps towards greater accessibility and our hospitality space in the West End. Two years since our last fundraising appeal, we are launching another appeal today, in what we hope to be the final push towards reaching our target figure (£600,000 in round figures). More information will be given out today and in the coming weeks. We invite you all to consider whether and how you can contribute to this final appeal, so that we can complete the work in 2022. Please continue to hold our project and plans in your prayers.

Forest Sunday School

We are really excited to be starting Forest Sunday School! During the opening hymn children will go out to the Forest for some age-appropriate worship and activities, and return for communion. Please hold this new initiative in your prayers.

'To be a pilgrim'. In preparation for the Confirmation Service on October 24th, Laura will be running some sessions exploring the first booklet in the Church of England Pilgrim series: Turning to Christ. The course explores the central claims of Christianity, as expressed through the baptism promises. There will be six sessions on Thursday evenings, 7-8pm, via Zoom, starting **Thursday 16th September**. All are welcome - whether you are new to the faith or would like a refresher. Please call or email Laura directly if you would like to know more (vicar@hthq.uk).

The "**World's Biggest Coffee Morning**" to be held on Friday **September 24th** from 10 am to 12 pm at 3 Barton Road in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Further details from Sheila Allcock (01865-769630 or sheilaallcock@yahoo.co.uk)

Eco Church Resources For a list of interesting eco-related webinars and other resources please go to:
<https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/>

Farewell With a heavy but grateful heart, we are bidding our beloved HTHQ church family farewell, after 5 beautiful years. You have walked with us over these years. Words cannot express how grateful we are for the support, prayers and blessings we received from so many of you. We are moving to Washington DC where our home Church will be the St John's Episcopal Church, Lafayette. Please visit us and continue to uphold us all in your prayers. May God be with each and every one of you. Susan, Emmanuel, Iona & Ezra.

Forest Church for Tots

Our Tuesday morning 'Tots Service' has restarted on Tuesdays at 10am. This is an informal outdoor church gathering for babies, toddlers and their grown-ups. Please contact Revd Laura for more details.

Fundraising Events:

Fundraising for the building project was re-started with a Drinks party which raised £200. It is hoped to hold a series of talks in the autumn and winter, a concert in church, an auction in early February and a dinner in Magdalen College, possibly in summer 2022.

If you have other fund-raising ideas of events you could hold/organise please let us know. Diana Clews, Anne Tarassenko and Mile Wooldridge

Thursday Lunch Club has restarted on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

Our aim is to provide a home cooked lunch twice a month in a friendly community for older people who live alone in the Headington area. If you know of anyone who might like to come, or if you would like to help (we are in need of cooks and drivers but there are other jobs too) please contact Katya Drummond on katya@shotover.net or on 01865 763161.

Golden Celebration. Michaelmas this year is the 50th anniversary of David Knight's ordination to the priesthood. He is celebrating with a Eucharist at Holy Trinity at **12 noon on Saturday 25th September.** The preacher will be Peter Groves, Vicar of St Mary Magdalen's, Oxford, and there will be refreshments to follow. Please do come along. Everyone is very welcome.

Mothers' Union Bible studies are starting again. The first two will be on **Tuesday 28th September** and **Tuesday 26th October** at 10.30am in the meeting room at St Andrew's, Old Headington. The room provides plenty of space and the sessions will not last for more than an hour. We shall be looking at St Peter. Everyone is welcome. Further details from Jane Hedges.

Autumn Fair: 2nd October 2-4pm. We need your donations!

We plan to support many of your favourite stalls, however, due to COVID there are a few changes. The most notable is we will run a Nearly New stall to replace the White Elephant and Bits and Pieces (for this stall we are requesting good quality items that you might expect to receive or give, we cannot accept general bric-a-brac). Also, we need donations of good quality books, plants, toiletries and toys (preferably boxed! Glorious cakes!! Large sponge cakes and fruit cakes preferred (please individually wrap and include a list of ingredients). We are also seeking cash donations to support items for the raffle and tombola stalls and bottles of wine. With the exception of cakes, **we cannot accept donations on the day.** Please bring donations to the Coach House Car park **Sunday 26 September (11am-1pm)**, the Sunday before the fair. If this is not suitable, please contact Derek and Margaret Taylor (01865 765051) or Mike and Lisa Hill (01865 768077) to make other arrangements. **We need helpers on the day!** If you are able to offer help to run a stall and/or set up the stalls and help clear away after the event please contact Derek and Margaret Taylor (01865 765051).

We look forward to a very special day!

Shared Knitting and Crochet (Headington) We meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month (except December), at Church House, New High Street (below the Shark) from 1.30 to 3pm. Any questions, please ask for more information: email sharedknitting@gmail.com or phone 01865 738942

Flowers in church The Flower arranging Team are in urgent need of donations to keep providing the beautiful flowers in church each week. If you would like to make a donation or indeed have flowers in memory of someone or for a special anniversary please ring Margaret Woodcock 761588. Thank you.

Food Boxes in Church The Food Bank is not currently accepting food donations from church, but you can continue to donate food to asylum welcome which is one of our parish charities. We are hoping to set up a parish larder in the future, after further consultation with our local councillors, and will be exploring this further in September.

Wednesday Communion Services

Our mid-week communion service has resumed at 10am on Wednesdays.

Morning Prayer: Weekly on Mondays at 9am

Morning prayer has resumed.

Prayers for Hope and Healing: Thursdays at 8.30pm

Our zoom contemplative prayer gathering has restarted after the Summer break. Please contact Revd Laura if you would like the Zoom link.

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showing God's love to all.*

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