Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



Remembrance Sunday 14th November 2021

Hymn

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home;

Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

> Isaac Watts (1674-1748) based on Psalm 90

The Greeting

The president says

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

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

We meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace. We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride, its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds. Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.

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 forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria **Firmly**(= 108) Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on 0 earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al -might - y God and_ Fa-ther, give you thanks, we praise you for your_ wor -ship you, we_ we mf P Lord Je-sus Christ, on -ly Son of the glo-ry. 0 Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a -way sin of the the cresc. world: have mer on us; you are sea - ted cy at the (1)5 1 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our For prayer. a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -lone are the Lord, you lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ, you with the Ho - ly a 1 0 0 Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the_ Fa-ther. A men.

Let us pray

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Micah 4.1-5

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

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

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.

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

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

John 15: 12-17

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

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.

Sermon

Revd Prof. Rob Gilbert

Affirmation of faith

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 are used

May God give peace God give peace

And at the end

So be it. **Amen**

The Peace

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.'

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

A minister says

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.

Preparation of the Table

Hymn

Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair, Lord, in your suffering world this is our prayer. Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace, sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase! Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills, work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills. Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak, voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.

God of the poor, friend of the weak, give us compassion we pray: melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain. Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.

Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear, cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share. Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green, Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.

Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams, plundered and poisoned: our future, our dreams. Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed; make us content with the things that we need. *God of the poor...*

Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame, until your justice burns brightly again; until the nations learn of your ways, seek your salvation and bring you their praise. *God of the poor...*

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)

As bread and wine are raised:

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

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.

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.

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

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. 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

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

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.

Anthem Guest, For the Fallen

Hymn

Lord, make us servants of your peace: where there is hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one.

Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy. Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled, but to console, nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand.

May we not look for love's return, but seek to love unselfishly, for in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiven.

Dying we live, and are reborn through death's dark night to endless day; Lord, make us servants of your peace to wake at last in heaven's light.

James Quinn, SJ (1919-2010) from a prayer of St Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)

Prayer after Communion

God of peace,

whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen

Procession to the War Memorial

We welcome members of 7th Headington Brownies who will lead us out to the war memorial for the Act of Remembrance. Please follow the procession and filter out from the back of church first.

Act of Remembrance

We remember with thanksgiving all those whose lives, in world wars and in conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

In particular we remember all those in this parish who have given their lives in the two World Wars, and pray that we may be worthy of the sacrifices made on our behalf.

The names of those from Headington Quarry who died in the two World Wars are read out.

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them. **We will remember them.**

The Last Post is played

Silence is kept

The Reveille is played

The Kohima Epitaph is said

When you go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today.

A wreath of poppies is laid on the War Memorial by a member of Holy Trinity Church.

Members of 7th Headington Brownies place their tributes on the war memorial.

For the Departed

Eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For the Peace of the World

O God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

For all Armed Forces

O God, we pray for armed forces of all nations: give them courage and comfort in hardship and danger. May their efforts and sacrifices be made in the cause of justice and peace; to the honour of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For pacifists and conscientious objectors

We pray for those with a different vision of how peace will come to our world. We pray for those who have taken a stand as pacifists and conscientious objectors that their work, too, may contribute to the peace of the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Act of Commitment

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? **We will.**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? **We will.**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity? **We will.**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer. **Amen.**

The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen! Long live our noble Queen! God save the Queen! Send her victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us, God save the Queen.

The Blessing

May God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to all humanity, peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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Notices: 14th November

Sunday 14th November

8am – Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 10am – Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School 10.45 am – Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial **Midweek Services** Mondays at 9am— Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel. Tuesdays at 10am—Tots Service Wednesdays at 10am—Holy Communion Thursdays at 8.30pm—Prayers for Hope and Healing (via Zoom)

The flowers in church today have been given by Liz and David Owen in celebration of David's 90th birthday on 12th November and their friend Sue Lloyd's on 14th November.

Climate Conversations You're invited to join conversations about how we as individuals and a church community can help combat climate change. These will take place in November in small friendly groups, both home and Zoom-based, and all are very welcome. Hot drinks, biscuits and cake are provided when in person. Please get in touch with Hilary Rollin or Jan McLeod for further information: *Hilary*: <u>hjsrollin@gmail.com</u> / Tel: 761545, Jan: <u>m@cleods.co.uk</u> / Tel: 768965

Celebrating our building plans! We give thanks for the progress made so far in our church building restoration and development work. We invite you all to consider whether and how you can contribute to our final appeal for funds, so that we can complete the work in 2022. Please continue to hold our project and plans in your prayers.

Teatime Recital Series Take a poster and invite friends and family. Please come along to our November recital series in church, to raise money for our church building fund. Each recital will be followed by refreshments in church: Saturday 20th November, 3pm: Rosie Tweddle (Organ) Saturday 27th November, 3pm: Dvorak Wind Serenade, with Pavlova Winds

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