Holy Trinity Headington Quarry



Fourth Sunday Before Lent 6th February 2022

Words of welcome.

Hymn

Please stand

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!
Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy, there is none beside thee perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

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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

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins 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.

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



The Collect

Let us pray:

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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: Isaiah 6. 1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I: send me!'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading

Please stand

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.

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

Gospel reading: Luke 5. 1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

Alleluia, alleluia alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.**

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

To crown all things there must be love to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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.

Hymn

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my love be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

John L. Bell (b.1949) and Graham Maule (b.1958)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

To you we come, Father of lights, with angels and saints, where heaven and earth unite.

May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread.

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:

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

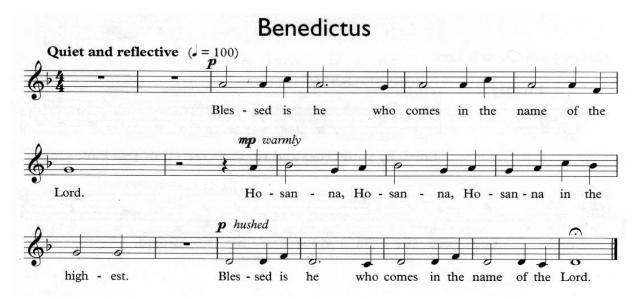
As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

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





The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel

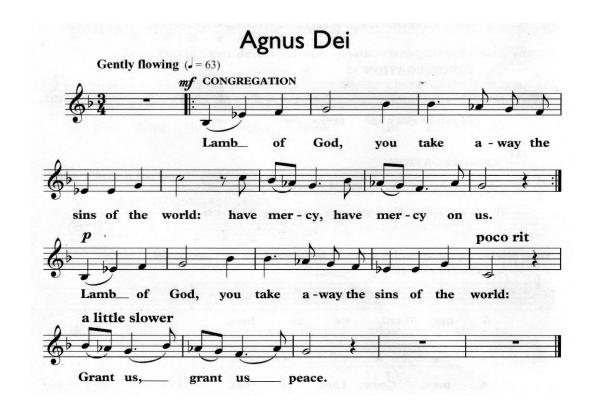
As our saviour taught us, so we pray

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.



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.

Hymn

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord,

let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still small voice of calm.

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

Prayer after Communion

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; 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

I the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord ...

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord ...

Daniel L. Schutte (b.1947)

The Blessing

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

A minister says

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. 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: February 6th

Sunday Feb 6th The Fourth Sunday before Lent

8am - Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 10am - Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School 6pm - Choral Evensong

Introit: Shepherd – a New Commandment

Responses: Ayleward

Psalm 2

Canticles: Wood in E flat

Gjeilo: Ubi caritas Hymns: 676, 24, 15

Readings: Wisdom 6.1-12, Colossians 3.1-22

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: Mondays at 9am Tots Service: Tuesdays at 10am

Midweek Communion: Wednesdays at 10am

Prayers for Hope and Healing: Thursdays at 8.30pm (via Zoom).

Joint Evensong: At St Nicholas Old Marston, Sunday 6th March at 6pm.

Covid-19 Update

The PCC met on Wed 26th January and agreed to keep our Covid-19 precautions in place for the time being, while case rates are still high. Although face coverings are no longer mandatory in church, we do encourage you to wear one if you can. We agreed that we would like to resume outdoor refreshments in due course, and that we would also take steps to bring back the chalice at communion. Returning to our reflections on Fruits of the Spirit, we ask everyone to pray for patience and gentleness at this time of transition.

Churchyard Update The Churchyard is a fabulous resource for the whole community and we are so grateful for the work that everyone has put into it over the last few years. In conversation with the Working Party and PCC, Margaret and Dave, as wardens, took on overall responsibility for the Church Yard earlier last year. We are really keen to get everyone involved. More of this in the next few months.

Love's Philosophy a recital of songs and arias celebrating St Valentine's Day at The Coach House **next Saturday February 12**th **at 7.30pm**. Donations towards the Church Development Building fund. Our thanks to Maggie Cooper and her Mum Maureen Cooper for organising this fundraising event. Please come and support.

Julian Group. The February meeting will be on **Friday 11th February at 2.30 pm** at 3 Barton Road, Headington. We meditate for half an hour on a passage provided by one of us and then have tea/coffee and biscuits. New members are very welcome. Please contact me for further details: Sheila Allcock 01865-76963

List of Eco Resources: Are you interested in finding out more about any/some/ all of the following? What's Needed in Practice to get to Net Zero? And What's Stopping us? Environmental Fundraising? Getting ready for the Great Big Green Week? Embodied Carbon from Building Projects? Repeats of the Eco Church topics? Why not take a look at our *February Onwards Eco Resources List?* See: https://www.https.uk/eco-church-resources/ (Hilary Rollin for HTHQ Eco Church Group)

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