# Holy Trinity

# Headington Quarry



# The Second Sunday of Lent 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Words of welcome.

#### Hymn 791

During the opening hymn, children are welcome to join the forest Sunday school taking place outside.

The God of Abraham praise who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love: Jehovah, great I AM, by earth and heaven confest; we bow and bless the sacred name for ever blest.

The God who reigns on high the great archangels sing, and 'Holy, Holy, Holy,' cry, 'almighty King, who was, and is the same, and evermore shall be. Jehovah, Father, great I AM, we worship thee.'

Before the Saviour's face the ransomed nations bow, o'erwhelmed at his almighty gracefor ever new; he shows his prints of love – they kindle to a flame, and sound through all the worlds above the slaughtered Lamb.

The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; 'hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,' they ever cry: hail, Abraham's God, and mine, (I join the heavenly lays) all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

> *Thomas Olivers (1725-1799) based on the Hebrew Yigdal*

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

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.



#### The president says

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## **The Collect**

Let us pray: Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

#### The Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading: Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh my adversaries and foes they shall stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!' Your face, Lord, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation! If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.

Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence. I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

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

# **Gospel Reading**

Please stand. The choir sings psalm 27 – please join in the refrain.



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

#### Gospel reading: Luke 13. 31-end

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

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

Sermon

Ordinand Sarah de Bats

**The Nicene Creed** 

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Prayers of Intercession** 

Please sit or kneel.

These responses may be used

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need: Naomi Lawrence, Charles Reade, Kate Samuel, Mary Jenkins, Barbara Farrar, Josie, Grace, Sue Saville, Bob Nind, Daphne King, Shelagh Borden, Tony Borden. Neil.

Those who have died recently: Colin Webster.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Doreen Whitlock, Donald Jacobs.

And at the end

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

**The Peace** 

#### Please stand

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace. 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 683

Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest, beneath thy contemplation sink heart and voice opprest. I know not, O I know not what joys await us there, what radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Sion, conjubilant with song, and bright with many an angel, and all the martyr throng; the Prince is ever with them, the daylight is serene, the pastures of the blessèd are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David; and there, from care released, the shout of them that triumph, the song of them that feast; and they, who with their leader have conquered in the fight, for ever and for ever are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessèd country, the home of God's elect! O sweet and blessèd country that eager hearts expect! Jesu, in mercy bring us to that dear land of rest; who art, with God the Father and Spirit, ever blest.

*Urbs Sion aurea* Bernard of Cluny (12<sup>th</sup> century) trans. JM Neale (1818-1866)

#### Taking of the Bread and Wine

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again. Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart.

Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love. As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your mercy and join with saints and angels for ever praising you and singing:



We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Deacon: Christ is the bread of life



Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen** 

#### 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



#### **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 281

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, thy glory fills the night; thy face and garments, like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, thy beauty to behold, where Moses and Elijah stand, thy messengers of old. Fulfiller of the past, promise of things to be, we hail thy body glorified, and our redemption see.

Before we taste of death, we see thy kingdom come; we fain would hold the vision bright, and make this hill our home.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, yet we may not remain; but since thou bidst us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Joseph Armitage Robinson (1858-1933)

#### Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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 743

Please stand

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honour and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favour may serve you as our king; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Michael Perry (1942-1996)

#### **The Blessing**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; 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. 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: March 13th

#### Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> The First Sunday of Lent

8am – Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 10am – Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School 12.30 Baptism of Zachary Dukes **Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>: The Third Sunday of Lent** 8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School **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). https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84521812373?pwd=ZTVkaFZZV25Ba3ZaYXR3RVQ1 MEJMdz09 Meeting ID: 845 2181 2373 Passcode: 738378

**Lent 2022** Our parish Lent Course is the Diocesan *Come and See* course exploring the Lord's Prayer. This will run on **Tuesdays** at 3pm (in the Coach House) or 7pm (online via Zoom). All are welcome. The Zoom link is below:

Zoom: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84668649286?pwd=RGNEeGhXO</u> <u>StiZUZCekd5cHpjWFhPZz09</u> (Meeting ID: 846 6864 9286; Passcode: 541362)

If you can't make the course but would still like to explore the material, you can sign up to receive 'come and see' emails via the Oxford Diocese website. If you would like a book to read in conjunction with the course, you may like to read *Thy Will be Done* by Steven Cherry (SPCK, 2021)

# **Service Booklets**

A few people have asked for clarification around future plans for printing individual service booklets. These were originally introduced as part of our wider Covid-19 response but as restrictions have been lifted the demand for them remains. It might be that you don't see it but our whole church community rely on these, whether it be 'everything in one place' for newcomers, listeners in hospital, study groups or those who just want to keep in touch we feel that this is much more than a container for hymns, liturgy and notices. While demand continues we are going to continue with the service booklets for the majority of services with one small change: if you do want to pick up a hymn book then feel free, the numbers will be in the booklet but remember to put them back at the end of the service.

**OxClean 2022.** We shall be joining the Friends of Headington Quarry again this year to clean up the area round the church. Hi-vis jackets and litter-pickers will be provided; please bring your own gardening gloves. Meet at **2 pm in Quarry Hollow on Saturday 19th March.** Any queries, please ring Sheila Allcock (01865-769630)

**PCC Meeting** Our next PCC meeting is on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, via Zoom. Please hold us in your prayers.

**Fundraising Auction** Please save the date of **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June** for our fundraising auction (postponed from January). More details to follow!

**Monday Philosophy Club** The Monday Philosophy Club meets fortnightly on Monday evenings at 7pm, via Zoom. Do contact Richard Churchill (via the parish office) if you would like to join or find out more about the discussions.

**List of Eco Resources:** Are you interested in finding out more about 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: <u>https://www.hthq.uk/eco-churchresources/</u> (Hilary Rollin for HTHQ Eco Church Group) Holy Trinity Headington Quarry An open door between heaven and earth, showing God's love to all. Contact us Vicar: Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott vicar@hthq.uk 01865 762835 Associate Priest: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert associatepriest@hthq.uk Parish Office: office@hthq.uk 01865 762931 Churchwardens: wardens@hthq.uk Website: www.hthq.org.uk

## **Prayers for Peace in Ukraine**

A prayer from Bishop Steven

God of compassion, Have mercy this day on the people of Ukraine. Restore to them the gift of peace. Grant wisdom to the governments of the world. Bring good in the midst of evil and suffering, For the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, Who gave his life to bring peace to your world Amen.

A prayer for Peace from Pope Francis

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace. Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", 'sister', and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen.

A collect for Peace

Almighty 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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayers from the Methodist Church

Loving God, your Son Jesus Christ, wept over Jerusalem. Today, we weep over Ukraine.

We weep for those uprooted from their homes and lives.

We weep for those cowering in basements.

We weep for those who have witnessed death and destruction on their streets.

We weep for those separated from parents, from children, from spouses and siblings.

We are amazed at the resilience of people seeking to comfort those in need and so we pray for Governments opening up borders so that Ukrainians can have safe passage.

We pray for churches and individuals providing food, clothing and shelter.

We pray for medical workers ensuring that shattered bodies are put back together again.

We pray for ordinary Russians demonstrating and voicing their disapproval of the military actions in Ukraine.

May the Holy Spirit give us the willpower to turn our tears into action also.

May we, through our words, prayers and example pursue the things that make for a just peace in the world today and especially in Ukraine.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen

Holy and Gracious God

We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine.

And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.

Lord have mercy.

Amen