HOLY TRINITY HEADINGTON QUARRY



The Seventh Sunday of Easter

29th May 2022

Words of welcome.

Hymn 209

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

Love's redeeming work is done; fought the fight, the battle is won: lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er, lo, he sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell; death in vain forbids his rise; Christ has opened paradise.

Lives again our glorious King; where, O death, is now thy sting? dying once, he all doth save; where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head; made like him, like him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Praise to thee by both be given: thee we greet triumphant now; hail, the Resurrection Thou!

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The president says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Greeting

The Lord be with you and also with you Alleluia. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayers of Penitence

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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 his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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: Acts 16:16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm' yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

Gospel reading: John 17.20-end

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Affirmation of Faith

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures; he was buried; he was raised to life on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures; afterwards he appeared to his followers, and to all the apostles: this we have received, and this we believe.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need:

Naomi Lawrence, Charles Reade, Kate Samuel, Barbara Farrar, Grace, Sue Saville, Bob Nind, Neil, David Owen.

Those who have died recently:

Caroline Ward.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

Marcelle Self, Dolly Pearce, Thomas Covey, Dorothy Hayward, Dorothy Roberts.

Merciful father

accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our saviour Jesus Christ Amen

Please stand

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you and also with you.

All may share a sign of Peace

Hymn 203

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King. To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of Life is risen for ay: bring flowers of song to strew his way; let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that Love, that Life, which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: *Alleluia*, *alleluia*!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing to-day with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Cyril Argentine Alington (1872-1955)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please sit or stand as you feel 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works. For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal. And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory.



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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.

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 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

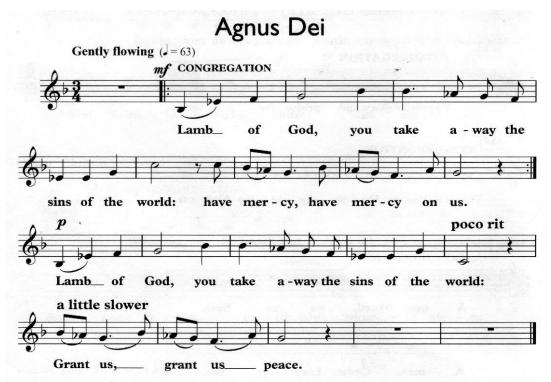
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

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

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This is God's table and all are welcome here. Please follow the directions of the steward 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 220

Word that formed creation, earth and sea and sky; Word that brings salvation, Word that will not die; speak now in us that we might hear your call; Living Word of Jesus, sound within us all.

Love that formed and named us, filled this clay with breath; Love that seeks and claims us, Love beyond all death; come now and fire the life that flows from you; Love that raised up Jesus, raise us up anew.

Song of joy and wonder, sound so wild and free; voice of wind and thunder, boundless as the sea; Music of God, the love that casts our fear; Song that sang in Jesus, sing within us here.

God of all creation, form our hearts anew; God of our salvation, lead us home to you; Spirit, inspire our hearts to hear your call; living God of Jesus, come renew us all!

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; 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 494

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...

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?

The Blessing

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; 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 the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Do join us for refreshments outside (or inside if raining!). Please do come to the Fair Trade Stall taking place during refreshments.

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Notices: May 29th

Sunday May 29th: Seventh Sunday after Easter

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School. Fair Trade Stall – please come along!

Sunday June 5th: Pentecost

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School.

6pm Jubilee Celebration Evensong. Preacher Revd Anne Kiggell

Sunday June 12th: Trinity Sunday

Midweek Services

Tots Service: Tuesdays at 10am

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

NB: No morning prayer tomorrow (Monday 30th May)

Welcoming our new Curate. We are delighted to announce that Emily Hockliffe Essex will be joining the parish as our curate – Emily's first Sunday will be July 3rd. Please keep her in your prayers as she prepares for ordination.

Announcement about Holy Communion. For some time now we have been distributing communion in one kind only. As restrictions have eased, the House of Bishops recently issued guidance to say that 'unless there are clear and objective reasons not to, Holy Communion should now be offered in both kinds to communicants'. In consultation with the parish planning group, we have decided to reintroduce the common cup at communion on the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday June 5th). Please note that there is no obligation to receive the chalice - if you wish to receive in one kind, please continue to do so. For practical reasons, we recommend that - if you are wearing a mask - you remove it before receiving the bread and the wine. We will continue to

receive communion standing, and the chalice will be administered from the Lady Chapel step. Please place one hand under the base of the chalice to guide it towards your mouth, tipping it gently to your lips. The person administering the chalice will not let go of it in the process.

The Mothers' Union Bible Study on **Tuesday 31st May** has had to be cancelled. (Alison Bennett's brother-in-law is seriously ill) The next one will be on 21st June.

Christian Aid Week This year we collected a grand total of £1560.98. Thank you very much to everyone who contributed and to those of you who came to the Hunger Lunch or the Spring Tea and to those who helped and donated on the day raising over £700.

Julian Group. The June meeting will be on **Friday 3rd June 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 01865-769630**

Open Garden Sunday 12 June from 2-5. Nell Slocock is kindly opening her small garden in Headington when the roses should be out surrounded by plenty of shade from trees and shrubs in aid of the Church Building Development. Entry £5 per head.

Fundraising auction. Come along to the Vicarage Garden/Coach House on Saturday 18th June at 7 for 7.30pm to help raise money for the church building project and to enjoy a evening of fun and fellowship! Glass of wine and canapes are included in the price of entry (£10 on the door) and we have a wonderful range of items and promises to offer. Come and celebrate with us and help our church at the same time. It's not too late to offer us promises or items for the auction. Please contact one of the fundraising event team: Diana Clews (dianaclews@hotmail.com), Anne Tarassenko (annetarassenko@hotmail.com, tel. 07443 652082) or Mike Wooldridge (mjcwooldridge@gmail.com).

Eco Resources and Tips Eco Tip of the Week: De-clutter and pass on unwanted items through charity shops/ Freegle/ swap shops/ ebay/ Orinoco (now in Templars Square, Cowley). One person's cast-offs are another person's treasure! Hilary Rollin (for Eco Church Group)

Pastoral care team. Are you in need of support or would you like to talk to someone? We rely on you to let us know of anyone who is ill, or in hospital or who might welcome a visit. Please contact any of the clergy (numbers below) or Helen Day (308088), Janet Masters (765824), Nell Slocock (762291) or Anne Tarassenko (351739).

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