Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



Christ the King 20th November 2022

Words of welcome.

Hymn 199

Please stand

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The Cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.

In every insult, rift and war, where colour, scorn or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.

The president says

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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you **and also with you.** Brian Wren (b. 1936)

The Greeting

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



The Collect

Eternal Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; 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: Colossians 1.11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

Please stand.

Hymn 682

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time: all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy, never shall the cross forsake me; lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way, from the cross the radiance streaming adds more lustre to the day. Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified; peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

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John Bowring (1792-1872)

Gospel Reading

Please stand

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

Gospel reading: Luke 23. 33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

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

Sermon

Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

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.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need: Naomi Lawrence, Kate Samuel, Barbara Farrar, Grace, Bob Nind, Liz Owen, Robert Twycross, Rosemary, Gillian, Judith, Josie, Baby Ezra. Those who have died recently: Charles Reade, Sue Lloyd. Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Joan Stopps, Clive Staples Lewis, Zena Vass.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

And at the end

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

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.

All may exchange a sign of peace. We encourage you if you feel comfortable to exchange the peace in the traditional way – by shaking hands. However, please be sensitive to those who prefer to share the peace differently – with a smile, bow or wave.

Hymn 741

O Christ the same, through all our story's pages, our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears; eternal Lord, the King of all the ages, unchanging still, amid the passing years: O living Word, the source of all creation, who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze, O Christ the same, who wrought our whole salvation, we bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

O Christ the same, the friend of sinners sharing our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide, still as of old upon Your body bearing the marks of love, in triumph glorified: O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heaven, O Prince of Life, in all Your saving power, O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given, we bring our thanks for this the present hour.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping our lives and loves, our days and years remain, our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping, our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain: O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows, for all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee, O Christ the same, beyond our brief tomorrows, we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Blessed be God, who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms. May we feed upon the bread of God and drink the royal wine of heaven. Blessed be God for ever.

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.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks because you anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, as priest and King. Crowned with thorns, he offered his life upon the cross, that he might draw all people into that kingdom

where he now reigns in glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *singing*:



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Bells are rung

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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.

Bells are rung

Great is the mystery of faith Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

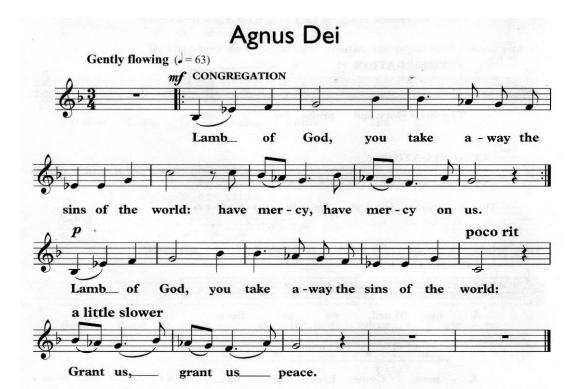
Please sit or kneel

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.



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. Please follow the directions of the steward and follow the one-way system back to your seat. Those sitting towards the back will be invited to come forwards first. If you are wearing a mask, it is most practical if you remove it before receiving communion. The chalice is being administered from the Lady Chapel step. If you wish to receive the chalice, please hold the base of the chalice and guide it towards your lips – the person administering the chalice. Please note that there is no obligation to take the chalice and it is fine still to receive communion in one kind only (the bread). If you do not wish to receive communion and would prefer a blessing instead, please do come forwards as well.

Choir Anthem: Isom- King of all ages

Hymn 596

Because the Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need. He lets me rest in the meadow and leads me to the quiet streams. He restores my soul and he leads me in the paths that are right.

Lord, you are my shepherd, you are my friend. I want to follow you always, just to follow my friend.

And when the road leads to darkness, I shall walk there unafraid. Even when death is close I have courage, for your help is there. You are close beside me with comfort, you are guiding my way: Lord... In love you make me a banquet for my enemies to see. You make me welcome, pouring down honour from your mighty hand, and this joy fills me with gladness; it is too much to bear: Lord...

Your goodness always is with me and your mercy I know. Your loving kindness strengthens me always as I go through life. I shall dwell in your presence for ever, giving praise to your name:

Lord, you are my shepherd, you are my friend. I want to follow you always, just to follow my friend.

Christopher Walker, based on Psalm 23, Living Bible version

Prayer after Communion

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; 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 704

Please stand

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King. The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly: the earth is not too low, his praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King.

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King. The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but above all the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King.

George Herbert (1593-1633)

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; 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.

We usually serve refreshments either inside or outside church – please do stay if you would like to. 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: 20th November

Sunday November 20th : Christ the King 8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

Sunday November 27th : Advent Sunday

8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School 6pm Candlelit Advent Carol Service

Midweek Services Morning Prayer: 9am Monday to Thursday. Tots Service: 10am Midweek Communion: Wednesdays at 10am

The Christmas Event will continue today in the coach house **11.30am** - **12.30pm** Please come along and support this important fundraiser. Our thanks to all the hardworking committee and volunteers.

27th November Advent Carol service help is needed to put 500 tealights on the windowsills and pillars all around the church after the 10am service. Please see Helen Day if you can help for 15 minutes.

Susan Lloyd The funeral of Sue Lloyd, a much loved member of Holy Trinity and former churchwarden, will take place on Wednesday **30th November at 1pm** at Holy Trinity Church. Followed by refreshments at Corpus Christi Church Hall. All are welcome.

Headington Quarry Village Hall invited you to the Quarry Village Hall AGM followed by the 1st Annual Quiz Night on Thursday **24th November at 6.30pm** - please support your local village hall. come view the latest improvements and tell us what events you would like at your village hall

Posada 2022. After a few years of Mary & Joseph being stuck in my house....Posada is back! What is Posada all about? During the evenings leading up to Christmas Day, a nativity set of Mary and Joseph travel around the parish, visiting a different member of our church every night. This provides a great opportunity to meet new people from our church family, or get to know others a little better as you transport Mary and Joseph to the next home on the rota. There is a prayer to say as you welcome them into your home and as you set them off on their journey to the next one. If you would like to offer Mary and Joseph a home for the

night this Advent, please contact Helen Dancer at helen@nsolve.com or phone: 07854173016 (text probably best) or 765144, giving me suitable dates and I add you to the rota. I will also have the rota with me in church, so catch me after the service. I hope there will be room in your inn this year!

The next **Mothers' Union Bible Study** will be at 10.30am on **Tuesday 6th December** at **89 Derwent Avenue**. Everyone is very welcome. Please contact Jane Hedges for further details.

Building Project: Important Update We have made significant progress with fundraising for our building project, and would like to thank everyone for their generous support. We reflected on our building project at our recent PCC meeting, and considered the inflationary pressures on building work, and the fact that some of our grant funding will expire in 2023. In light of this, we considered a proposal from our architect to reduce the scope of our extension in order to fulfil the core vision of our project: to have accessible toilet facilities, a kitchenette, a flexible space at the back of church, and a refurbished vestry. The PCC agreed unanimously to go ahead with this proposal, subject to planning and faculty permission which will be resubmitted in the coming months. Early indications suggest that we have raised almost enough funds to be in a position to build next year we will share more detailed costings, and a fuller update on the proposal, in due course. We would ask everybody to hold this decision in their prayers as we look to the prospect of completing the core vision of our building project next year. Don't hesitate to speak to Laura, the churchwardens, or anyone on PCC if you have any questions.

Warm Space Project: volunteers needed! Discussions are taking place about offering the Coach House as a warm space on Friday mornings in the winter. Helen is compiling a list of volunteers who would be willing to volunteer with this community project. Please let Helen know (office@hthq.uk) if you would be able to help. It would be a matter of offering refreshments, possibly arranging some activities (e.g. board games), and generally being a friendly face!

Can you help Geoff the Area Dean of Cowley, with your PC and organising skills? For the right person there are a few hours of paid work, flexible hours mostly working from home. Please ring 07759393023 if interested.

Asylum Welcome are in urgent need of donations to their food bank as stocks are currently running very low. They currently provide food to over 80 adults and children on a weekly basis, distributing up to 1000 items for tinned and fresh food every week. They rely entirely on donations for their food bank and are currently particularly in need of cooking oil, tinned

tomatoes, milk (UHT) and tinned fish. Please put items in the crate at the back of church You can find a list of all the items that are needed on this page: https://www.asylum-welcome.org/food/. Thank you for your support.

Eco Church Resources Take your pick! The Autumn List gives details (and links for booking) for webinars that are new this season, also a link to a list or previous webinars that you might have missed at the time: https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/

Eco Tips Eco Tip of the Week: Don't throw out left-over vegetables. They are ideal for tortilla wraps, lasagne bakes, fried rice or frittatas. 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, Janet Masters, Nell Slocock or Anne Tarassenko.

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

An open door between heaven and earth, showing God's love to all.

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