HOLY TRINITY HEADINGTON QUARRY



The Feast of Peter & Paul 2nd July 2023

Introit: Christ's the rock beneath my feet (Kwake Yesu, Kenya. This English paraphrase by WGRG, Iona Community).

Words of welcome.

Hymn 365

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

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: all are welcome...

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; As we share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are welcome...

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: all are welcome...

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome.

Marty Haughen (b. 1950)

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

The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all.
Let us turn to the Lord, in sorrow for our sins, seeking healing and salvation.

Silence is kept.

Lord Jesus, in your love you invite us to be your friends: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your joy you choose us to go out and bear fruit: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your power you send us to be your faithful witnesses: 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise Of heavenly joy and earthly peace we sing. We worship you, to you our hearts we raise, Lord God, Almighty Father, heavenly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son, You bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of God, your glorious victory won, Receive our prayer, grant us your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, you are the only Lord, At God's right hand, in majesty most high. Who with the Spirit, worshipped and adored With all the heavenly host, we glorify.

Tune: 'Woodlands'

The Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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: Acts 12.1-11

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

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

Hymn 721

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesu, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty, to deliver, let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above; pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation; true and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; Changed from glory into glory till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.

CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

Gospel reading: Matthew 16.13-19

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Philippa White Precentor of Christ Church Cathedral

Affirmation of Faith

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:
Natalia Stoneman, Jemima, Naomi Lawrence, Kate Samuel, Grace,
Rosemary, Judith, Josie, Kitty Datta, Polly Friedhoff, Baby George,
Bob Southgate, Benji, Caroline Wilson.

Those who have died recently: Evelyn Clare, Jennifer Bayliss.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

Mark Clare, Phoebe Stockford, Molly Rosamund Morley.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

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

Amen

Please stand

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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

All may share a sign of Peace

Hymn 422

Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
har, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; alleluia, he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how: though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia, bread of angels, thou on earth our food, our stay; alleluia, here the sinful flee to thee from day to day: Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own; alleluia, born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne: thou within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest; thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.

William Chatterton Dix (1837 - 1898)

Taking of the Bread and Wine Prayer

Father, accept all we bring before you this day. Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles Peter and Paul. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 that we should give you thanks, praise and glory, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For after his resurrection he sent out his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and lead us in the way of truth. Himself the chief cornerstone, he founded his Church upon the apostles firmly to stand for ever as a sign of your holiness upon earth and a living witness to all of the way that leads to heaven.

And so with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we lift our voices and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord; holy is the Lord God almighty. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord; holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and is and is to come. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

Blessed, blessed, blest the one who comes; Blest the one who comes in the Lord's name. Blessed, blessed, blest the one who comes; Blest the one who comes in the Lord's name. who was, and is and is to come. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

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.

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

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

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 will not let go of it in the process. Please do not dip your wafer into 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.

Music during communion:

Take, O take me as I am (WGRG, Iona Community)
Let us light a candle (Robert Willis & Richard Shephard – Hymn 677)

Hymn 464

Sweet Sacrament divine, hid in thine earthly home, lo, round thy lowly shrine, with suppliant hearts we come; Jesus, to thee our voice we raise in songs of love and heartfelt praise: sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace, dear home for every heart, where restless yearnings cease and sorrows all depart; there in thine ear all trustfully we tell our tale of misery: sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest, ark from the ocean's roar, within thy shelter blest soon may we reach the shore; save us, for still the tempest raves, save, lest we sink beneath the waves: sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine, earth's light and jubilee, in thy far depths doth shine thy Godhead's majesty; sweet light, so shine on us, we pray, that earthly joys may fade away: sweet Sacrament divine.

Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Fill us, good Lord, with your Spirit of love; and as you have fed us with the one bread of heaven, so make us one in heart and mind, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Sending Out

Hymn 666

I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship, should set his love upon the sons of men, or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers, to bring them back, they know not how or when. But this I know, that he was born of Mary when Bethlehem's manger was his only home, and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured, and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.

I cannot tell how silently he suffered, as with his peace he graced this place of tears, or how his heart upon the cross was broken, the crown of pain to three and thirty years. But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted, and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear and lifts the burden from the heavy laden; for still the Saviour, Saviour of the world is here.

I cannot tell how he will win the nations, how he will claim his earthly heritage, how satisfy the needs and aspirations of east and west, of sinner and of sage.

But this I know, all flesh shall see his glory, and he shall reap the harvest he has sown, and some glad day his sun will shine in splendour when he the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship, when at his bidding every storm is stilled, or who can say how great the jubilation when every heart with love and joy is filled. But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture, And myriad myriad human voices sing, and earth to heav'n, and heav'n to earth, will answer, 'at last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!'

William Young Fullerton (1857-1932)

The Blessing

You are called and loved by God the Father and kept safe by Jesus Christ.

Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance, 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 join us for the bring and share lunch in the Coach House to celebrate Emily's ordination!

Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it. 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. If you would like to sign up to regular monthly giving, please visit www.hthg.uk/giving-to-the-church for more information.

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Notices: July 2nd

Sunday July 2nd: The Feast of St Peter & St Paul

8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: Monday to Thursday at 9am

Tots Service: Tuesdays at 10am

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

Sunday July 9th: Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

Dates for Diaries:

Church fete - Saturday 15th July- see notices

Hymns of Creation: Fundraising Concert at Magdalen College Chapel -

Saturday 29th July 6pm.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hymns-of-creation-tickets-619793979477

2023: A time to build: Exciting Updates!

We are delighted to announce that our loan application from Methodist Chapel Aid has been approved! This means that we now have the finance in place to complete our project.

The application process was helped considerably by the incredible generosity shown by those who have contributed towards our latest and final fundraising appeal to finance the loan. Thank you so much to all who have been able to contribute, and to everyone who has supported the process with their prayers. The total amount pledged so far is £144,000, towards a loan of £250,00. If you haven't yet been able to send in a pledge form, we would still love to hear from you! Those who have sent in pledge forms will be contacted in due course about the next steps. Please continue to hold the project in your prayers as we look to finalise the start date. As the psalmist writes: 'unless the Lord builds the house, those who labour build it in vain' (Psalm 127.1).

God of vision and hope, we thank you for our church building; a place of prayer and pilgrimage, witnessing to your love and presence in our midst. We pray for our plans to develop the building to further the work of your kingdom in this and future generations. We pray for the guidance, resources and skills we need to bring the project to completion,

and that we would be united in vision and focus as we work towards this goal, in the name of Jesus Christ our Cornerstone.

Amen.

Parish Office is now closed and will reopen on Tuesday 18 July.

Summer Fete 15 July 2023 please pick up a poster and display. We would be happy to receive good quality books, toiletries, toys, nearly new gifts, plants and cakes. Other donations of wine for the Water to Wine, an item for the Tombola or a £2 donation to buy a prize, would be welcomed. Last year's Gift Aid claim raised £140 so we would urge you to complete a Gift Aid form with your donations. It makes a real difference

Fete committee: Derek and Margaret Taylor (765051), Mike and Lisa (768077), Janet Foot (762450), Linda & Howard (765003)

Julian Group. The June meeting will be on **Friday 7th July 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 discuss it before having a social time with tea/coffee and biscuits. New members are very welcome. Please contact me for further details: **Sheila Allcock 01865-769630**

Saying Goodbye A service at Christ Church Cathedral on **8**th **July at 1pm** for people who have suffered the loss of a baby at any stage, whether that be recently or decades ago. Also for anyone grieving the fact that they are unable to have children. www.sayinggoodby.org

Reserve Drivers needed: We are building up a list of reserve drivers, who would be prepared to offer lifts to church from time to time, as need arises. This service is enormously valuable to those who would otherwise be unable to get to church. If it's something you feel able to do (or, even better, if you would like to join the regular rota of drivers), please get in touch with Anne Tarassenko: annetarassenko@hotmail.com, 07443 652082.

Latest Eco Resources List: For links and details of a range of webinars and other materials on environmental issues, please go https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources

Eco Tips Eco Tip of the Week: Are you anticipating more car journeys over the summer months? Don't forget to de-clutter the car boot, and remove the roof rack if not needed, thereby lightening the load and reducing consumption, i.e., fewer emissions and more miles to the gallon/ litre. (Hilary Rollin for Eco Church Group)

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 **no perishable or out of date goods**. 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.

Headington Repair Café: Don't condemn broken tools etc to landfill! The Bring and Fix Café is back every Tuesday 10.00-12.00 in the (newly-revamped) Bullingdon Community Centre, Peat Moors, OX3 7HS. Experts offer to fix most small electric and household items. Free tea/coffee, biscuits and parking are available. A small donation is appreciated. For further information please phone: 07792 49 13 50. Hilary Rollin for Eco 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 overleaf) or Helen Day, Janet Masters, or Anne Tarassenko.

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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

As the Anglican parish in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst and Wood Farm, we are here for every local resident. Our church is open every day. We hope that you will find God's peace as you come to pray or just sit and rest awhile. If you have questions about the Christian faith or would like to find out more about church life, please get in touch:

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