

Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry



Third Sunday After Trinity

25th June 2023

Words of welcome.

Please stand

Hymn 715

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

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care;
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us,
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

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

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

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

**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

Let us pray:

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
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.

Please be seated

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 20. 7-13

O LORD, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;
you have overpowered me,

and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughing-stock all day long;
everyone mocks me.
For whenever I speak, I must cry out,
I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!'
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.
If I say, 'I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name',
then within me there is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones;
I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
For I hear many whispering:
'Terror is all around!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'
All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.
'Perhaps he can be enticed,
and we can prevail against him,
and take our revenge on him.'
But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.
Their eternal dishonour
will never be forgotten.
O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous,
you see the heart and the mind;
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hands of evildoers.

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

Please stand.

Hymn 335

My God, accept my heart this day,
and make it always thine,
that I from thee no more may stray,
no more from thee decline.

Before the cross of him who died,
behold, I prostrate fall;
let every sin be crucified,
and Christ be all in all.

Anoint me with thy heavenly grace,
and seal me for thine own;
that I may see thy glorious face,
and worship near thy throne.

Let every thought and work and word
to thee be ever given:
Then life shall be thy service, Lord,
and death the gate of heaven.

All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run.

Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

Gospel reading: Matthew 10.24-39

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.
For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.
Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

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

Sermon

Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

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.

Please sit or kneel. The following response 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:

Brian Kerry, Laura Burrows, Brian Lawrence.

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

All may exchange a sign of Peace

Hymn 337

Source and fount of all creation,
pour thy Spirit from above
on the bearers of thine image,
offspring of a human love.
Human hopes and human graces
break beneath the weight of sin;
fear and envy wrench asunder
world without and self within.

Human love is unavailing
counter-weight to sin and strife;
love of God alone can hold us
on the way that leads to life.
Praised be God, whose Son our Saviour
human nature has restored,
living, dying, raised in glory,
to the likeness of its Lord.

Trace, O Christ, salvation's pattern,
God and sinner reconciled,
in an all-embracing story:
new creation, new-born child.
Word incarnate, world's Redeemer,
here in us thy work repeat,
signed and sealed thine own for ever,
till the pattern stands complete.

Christ our universal Saviour,
nature's poet, nature's priest,
through life's troubled waters bring us
to the eucharistic feast,
where rejoicing saint and sinner
praise the Lord of time and space,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
fount of being, source of grace.

Peter Baelz (1923-2000)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth
into your kingdom. **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.

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

**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 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

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.**

slowly

Be - hold the Lamb of God, be - hold the Lamb of God. He

Be - hold the Lamb, the Lamb of God. He

takes a - way the sin, the sin of the world.

takes a - way the sin of the world.

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.

Choir Anthem – Ave Verum Corpus, Elgar

Hymn 358

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here;
come bow before him now,
with reverence and fear:
In him no sin is found
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight -
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord,
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
In faith receive from him.
Be still for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

David Evans (b. 1957)

Prayer after Communion

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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

Please stand

Hymn 587

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease:
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

John Newton (1725-1807)

The Blessing

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
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.

Voluntary: Introduction and Minuet from Suite Gothique,
Léon Boëllmann

*Please do join us for refreshments outside (or inside if raining!)
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: June 25th

Sunday June 25th: Third Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

3pm Emily's ordination to the Priesthood *please see notices*

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: Monday to Thursday at 9am

Tots Service: Tuesdays at 10am

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

Sunday July 2nd: The Feast of Peter and Paul (transferred from June 29th)

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

12 noon Bring and share lunch in the Coach house to celebrate Emily's
ordination to the Priesthood.

Upcoming Special Services:

Today Sunday 25th June 3pm: Emily's ordination to the Priesthood at
the University Church, Oxford. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday 2nd July 10am: Emily's first celebration of the Eucharist

Dates for Diaries:

Church fete - 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 please note will be closed from Thursday 29 June and will reopen on Tuesday 18 July.

Charity Bike Ride: Richard Stoneman our Treasurer has signed up for Bike Oxford **today** to raise some funds for our church building project. This is a trial run to see if he is up for a much more ambitious cycling challenge in the autumn when he wants to raise money for bowel cancer research, as well as for Holy Trinity. He is starting his training on the short 25 mile course, so it should not be too taxing! If you would like to donate, Richard's giving page is at: <https://www.hthq.uk/richardstoneman-charitybikeride/>

Newsletter: The deadline for the next **online newsletter** is Thursday **29 June**. If you have any items and photos to contribute, please email them to Yue-Yi Hwa at newsletter@hthq.uk. Thank you very much.

Bring and Share lunch will be held in The Coach House next **Sunday 2nd July** after the 10am service. This is to celebrate Emily's ordination and her first communion. There will be a board in church to sign up for donations of finger food Savoury or Sweet item. Please see Margaret Taylor if you have any questions.

Saying Goodbye A service at Christchurch Cathedral on **8th 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

Summer Fete 15 July 2023 *please collect and display a poster.*

Calling all Cake Bakers! Cakes needed for the Cake stall and for Refreshments at the Church fête on July 15th. Please drop off any baking at the Coach House on Friday, 14th July between 2.30-4 pm, or on the morning of the 15th. Please could you also provide a list of ingredients. Many thanks for considering and happy baking! 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. Derek and Margaret Taylor (765051), Mike and Lisa (768077), Linda & Howard (765003), Janet Foot (762450)

Latest Eco Resources List: For links and details of a range of webinars and other materials on environmental issues, please go to <https://www.hthq.uk>

Eco Tips Eco Tip of the Week: How to dry your washing on a rainy day... without creating too much humidity indoors? Most clothes will release more moisture if put on an extra (perhaps slower) spin cycle, after which they will dry faster whether on a rack, or in an emergency in a tumble dryer. Although greedy on electricity (taking a toll on both the environment and our pocket), sometimes they are a godsend, but be sure to remove lint build-up on the filter after every cycle (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 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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