

Holy Trinity  
Headington Quarry



Remembrance Sunday

12<sup>th</sup> November 2023

*Words of welcome*

*During the opening hymn, children are welcome to join the forest Sunday school.*

## **Hymn 584**

*Please stand*

All my hope on God is founded;  
he doth still my trust renew.  
Me through change and chance he guideth,  
only good and only true.  
God unknown,  
he alone  
calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,  
sword and crown betray his trust;  
what with care and toil he buildeth,  
tower and temple, fall to dust.  
But God's power,  
hour by hour,  
is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendour, light, and life attend him,  
beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore  
from his store  
new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty giver  
bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth,  
pleasure leads us where we go.  
Love doth stand  
at his hand;  
joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of Christ his Son.

Christ doth call  
one and all:  
ye who follow shall not fall.

*Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930)*  
*based on Meine Hoffnung stehet feste, by Joachim Neander (1650-1680)*

## **The Greeting**

*The president says*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you  
**and also with you.**

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice,  
and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

We meet in the presence of God.  
We commit ourselves to work  
in penitence and faith  
for reconciliation between the nations,  
that all people may, together,  
live in freedom, justice and peace.  
We pray for all  
who in bereavement, disability and pain  
continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

## **Prayers of Penitence**

*A minister says*

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world;  
its pride, its selfishness, its greed;  
its evil divisions and hatreds.  
Let us confess our share in what is wrong,  
and our failure to seek and establish that peace  
which God wills for his children.

*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.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
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'

Let us pray

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Liturgy of the Word**

**First Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16**

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,  
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,  
and is found by those who seek her.  
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.  
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,  
for she will be found sitting at the gate.  
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,  
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,  
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,  
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,  
and meets them in every thought.

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

*Please stand. We repeat the refrain.*

CELTIC ALLELUIA

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

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## Gospel Reading

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

### Gospel reading: John 15. 12-17

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

### Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

*Please stand*

Let us declare our faith in God.

### Affirmation of faith

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.*

*These responses are used:*

May God give peace  
**God give peace**

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

*Natalia Stoneman, Naomi Lawrence, Kate Samuel,  
Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Polly Friedhoff, Bob Southgate, Benji,  
Astrid Brooke, Caroline Winwood, Penny Champion, Doreen Jarvis.*

*Those who have died recently:*

*Delia Foster, David Prince.*

*Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:*

*John Gosler, Bruce Crowther, Ruby Scivyer, Marion Tribe.*

*And at the end*

So be it.

**Amen**

## The Peace

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.  
I do not give to you as the world gives.'

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*

## Preparation of the Table

### Hymn 746

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne  
Thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone,  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

*Isaac Watts (1674-1748) based on Psalm 90*

*As bread and wine are raised:*

Wise and gracious God,  
you spread a table before us;  
nourish your people with the word of life  
and the bread of heaven.

**Amen.**

## **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 right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## **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.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

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

*With the North aisle inaccessible, you will be directed down and back up the central aisle. To make this as smooth as possible, please allow everyone in your pew to come out before queueing. Those sitting towards the back on each side will be invited to come forwards first.*

*If you are wearing a mask, it is most practical if you remove it before receiving communion. 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:** There can be no greater love (Taizé)

*Please join in with the chant as it repeats.*

There can be no great - er love than to lay down our life

5 *Fine*

for those we love. O

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Bless the Lord, our God, whose good - ness a - bounds! O

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## **Prayer after Communion**

God of peace,  
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom  
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:  
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,  
and by your healing power make whole both people and  
nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

**We thank you, Lord,  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples.  
Amen.**

## **Procession to the War Memorial**

*We welcome members of 7<sup>th</sup> Headington Brownies who will lead us  
out to the war memorial for the Act of Remembrance. Please follow  
the procession and filter out from the back of church first.*

## **Act of Remembrance**

We remember with thanksgiving all those whose lives, in world  
wars and in conflicts past and present, have been given and  
taken away.

In particular we remember all those in this parish who  
have given their lives in the two World Wars, and pray  
that we may be worthy of the sacrifices made on our behalf.

*The names of those from Headington Quarry who died in the two  
World Wars are read out.*

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: age shall  
not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will  
remember them.

**We will remember them.**

*The Last Post is played*

*Silence is kept*

*The Reveille is played*

*The Kohima Epitaph is said*

When you go home  
tell them of us and say,  
for your tomorrow  
we gave our today.

*A wreath of poppies is laid on the War Memorial by a member of Holy Trinity Church.*

*Members of 7<sup>th</sup> Headington Brownies place their tributes on the war memorial.*

## **Prayers**

*For the Departed*

Eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*For the Peace of the World*

O 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. **Amen.**

*For all Armed Forces*

O God, we pray for armed forces of all nations: give them courage and comfort in hardship and danger. May their efforts and sacrifices

be made in the cause of justice and peace; to the honour of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*For pacifists and conscientious objectors*

We pray for those with a different vision of how peace will come to our world. We pray for those who have taken a stand as pacifists and conscientious objectors that their work, too, may contribute to the peace of the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Act of Commitment**

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?  
**We will.**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?  
**We will.**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?  
**We will.**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer.  
**Amen.**

## **The National Anthem**

**God save our gracious King!  
Long live our noble King!  
God save the King!  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the King.**

## The Blessing

May God grant to the living, grace;  
to the departed, rest;  
to all humanity, peace and concord;  
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting.  
And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

## The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Please do join us for refreshments in the Coach House via the Quarry Road path.*

*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. If you would like to sign up to regular monthly giving, please visit [www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church](http://www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church) for more information.*

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## Notices: November 5<sup>th</sup>

### **Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup>: Remembrance Sunday**

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

10.45am Act of Remembrance at the War memorial

### **Midweek Services**

Morning Prayer: Monday and Tuesdays at 9am in the Coach House until further notice.

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am. We intend to continue meeting in the church building, but there will be no post-service refreshments.

### **Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup>: The Second Sunday before Advent**

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School



**Remembrance Sunday** Our parish Eucharist at **10am** today will include an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at **10.45am**, and we look forward to welcoming members of 7<sup>th</sup> Headington Brownies.

### **Upcoming Special Services**

**Sunday November 26th: Christ the King** At our Parish Eucharist at 10am we will mark the end of this church year - our 'year to build' - and look forward to the year ahead which will see the completion of our building project and our church's 175th birthday on November 22nd 2024. We are delighted to welcome the Archdeacon of Oxford, the Ven. Jonathan Chaffey, as our preacher.

**Sunday December 5th: Advent Sunday** Join us at 6pm for a special Taizé service of music and readings for Advent.

### **Sunday December 17th: Joint Carol Service at All Saints**

**Headington, 6pm** Our choirs and congregations will join together for this special service of lessons and carols for Christmas, at All Saints Church, Lime Walk, Headington.

**2023: A time to build: Exciting Updates!** We are so thankful that our building work has started! Please note that the church path will not be in use between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday, and the Coach House car park will not be in use during the project. Toilet facilities and post-church coffee will be at the Coach House. If access to the vestry toilet becomes possible at any stage of the project, and likewise with post-church coffee, we will let people know, but we are preparing for the maximum possible disruption at this stage. Although the church will look and feel quite different over the coming months of building work, we remember that we have laboured for a very long time to bring these plans to fruition, and we all look forward in faith and hope to the completion of the works in 2024.

**Finance** We are able to forwards with our project thanks to the generous support of individual donors, grant bodies, and a loan from Methodist Chapel Aid. Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed to our fundraising campaign, and to everyone who has supported the process with their prayers. We still need to raise money to repay our loan, and so our fundraising will continue for as long as needed. If you haven't yet been able to send in a pledge form, we would love to hear from you! We hope that everyone who has sent in a pledge has now been contacted. Please do contact David Knight in the first instance (contact details from the parish office) if you have not heard about this.

If you would like to make a donation directly into our building fund account, the details are:

Account name: HTHQ

Sort Code: 20-65-20.

Account no: 83117634 (Please include your name as a reference)

**Prayer requests** Please continue to hold the project in your prayers. As the psalmist writes: 'unless the Lord builds the house, those who labour build it in vain' (Psalm 127.1). We ask you all to pray especially for wisdom for our architect and contractors, and for peaceful relations with our neighbours and local residents affected by the work.

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.

**Just one week to go! The Christmas Event** will be held on Saturday **18 November, 2-4 pm** at the Coach House. **Please come along with family and friends if you can.** We especially need large home-made cakes, puddings, biscuits and jams for the Cake Stall and Refreshments; new, quality items for the Gifts and Toiletries Stalls; and donations for the Raffle. Also donations of plants, books and children's toys welcomed. Items may be dropped off at the Coach House on Friday 17th November, in the morning between 10 am–1 pm or on the Saturday morning from 10 am. Gift Aid forms will be available and can help make your donations go further. The Summer Event's Gift Aid was about £232. The Event will continue in the Coach House from 11.30am -12.30pm on Sunday 19 November, after the 10 am service. Fete Committee: Derek and Margaret Taylor (765051), Mike and Lisa Hill (768077), Janet Foot (762450) and Linda & Howard Pearce (765003).

*Another event to support if you can* **Headington Quarry Village Hall** Christmas Craft Market - **Friday 17th November** 6 - 9pm and **Saturday 18th November** 9am - 3pm lots of local craft stallholders, refreshments available and lots of festive fun. please come and support your village hall, who are raising funds for a new kitchen.

**THIS WEEK C.S. Lewis and *The Book of Nature*.** Don't miss the opportunity to hear Laura and Rob speak on the above topic, on Weds **15th November** in the Coach House, at **7.30 p.m.**, followed by refreshments. This is our final talk in the Eco Autumn talks series. All are welcome. Hilary Rollin for Eco Group.

**Posada 2023.** Despite our church building being a little disrupted at the moment, why not sign up for our Posada to make Advent even more special? 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 family every night. This provides a great opportunity to meet new church members, 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](mailto:helen@nsolve.com) or phone: 07854173016 (text probably best), giving me suitable dates and I add you to the rota. I have also given Helen Day access to the rota, so you can contact her in the office to take part. I will have the rota with me in church, so catch me after the service to sign up. I hope there will be room in your inn this year!

**New Bible Study Group** Do you find studying the Bible on your own difficult? I know I do, I feel God is leading me to start a Bible Study group in my home in Headington. If you are interested and want to know more please contact me: [margaretatbodsey@gmail.com](mailto:margaretatbodsey@gmail.com) or 01865 761718. It will be a help to know what days and times folk are available, and I will try and fit around the majority. There will be six Bible Studies to start with in January to March 2024 and then we can see how it goes. I look forward to hearing from you, Margaret Jackson.

**Eco Resources List:** To view the Autumn recommended resources go to: <https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/>  
Hilary Rollin (Eco Church Group)

**Eco Tips** Eco Tip of the Week: Insulate, draft-proof, turn the thermostat down and wrap up to reduce your home's carbon footprint. (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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