HOLY TRINITY

HEADINGTON QUARRY



The 3rd Sunday of Easter

Sunday 14th April 2024, 10am

Organ music Vivaldi Concerto in D Words of welcome

During the first hymn children are welcome to join the Forest Church taking place outside.

Hymn 199

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, he 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.

Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)

The president says

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

The Greeting

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayers of Penitence

The 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.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Christ, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

The president says

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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.

Silence is kept.

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
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.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit

New Testament Reading: Acts 3. 12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power

or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

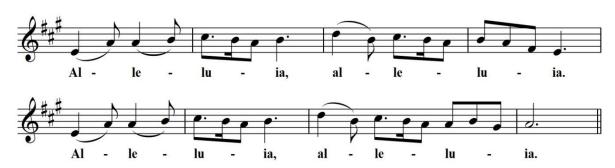
'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

We repeat the refrain:

CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

Gospel reading: Luke 24 36b-48

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving

and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

Affirmation of Faith

Please stand

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

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

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need:
Natalia Stoneman, Naomi Lawrence, Kate Samuel,
Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate,
Benji, Astrid Brooke, Caroline Winwood, Enid Owens, Andrew Allcock.

Those who have died recently:

Fr Christopher Hewetson, Margaret Baker, Baby Jaxson.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

Sylvia Kerry, Gary Bowyer, Martin Sheldon, Mary Kinsella, Herbert Kimber, Dorothy Ashworth, Dorothy Kimber, William Harwood, William Palmer.

And at the end

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

The Peace

Please stand

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

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

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Hymn 362

Please stand

Come, let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, 'to be exalted thus'; 'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply, 'for he was slain for us.'

Jesus is worthy to receive honour and power divine; and blessings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for ever thine.

Let all that dwell above the sky, and air, and earth, and seas, conspire to lift thy glories high, and speak thine endless praise.

The whole creation joins in one to bless the sacred name of him that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) based on Revelation 5.11-13

Taking of the Bread and Wine

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

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer E

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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

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

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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

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

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel

As our Saviour taught us so we pray

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

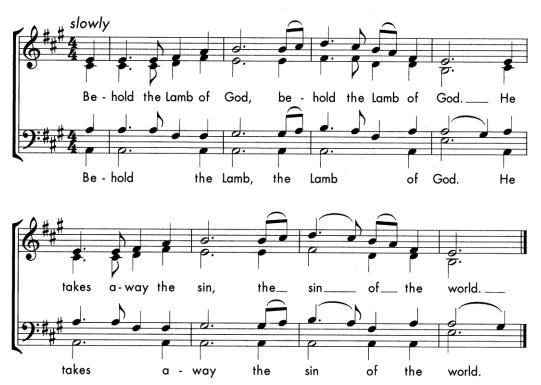
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei



Giving of Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This is God's table and all are welcome. 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. 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.

Hymn 421

Please remain seated

All for Jesus, all for Jesus, this our song shall ever be; for we have no hope, nor Saviour, if we have not hope in thee.

All for Jesus, thou wilt give us strength to serve thee, hour by hour; none can move us from thy presence while we trust thy love and power.

All for Jesus, at thine altar thou wilt give us sweet content; there, dear Lord, we shall receive thee in the solemn sacrament.

All for Jesus, thou hast loved us; all for Jesus, thou hast died; all for Jesus, thou art with us; all for Jesus crucified.

All for Jesus, all for Jesus, this the church's song must be, till, at last, we all are gathered one in love and one in thee.

W.J. Sparrow-Simpson (1859-1952)

Prayer after Communion

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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 208

Please stand

Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky; heaven thunders forth its victor-cry: Alleluia, alleluia.
The glad earth shouts her triumph high, and groaning hell makes wild reply: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

That Eastertide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, when, to their longing eyes restored, the glad apostles saw their Lord: He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide; the tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again:

Jesu, the King of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess, that we may give thee all our days, the tribute of our grateful praise:

All praise be thine, O risen Lord, from death to endless life restored; all praise to God the Father be and Holy Ghost eternally:

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

The Blessing

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

The Dismissal

With the risen life of Christ within you, go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Voluntary: Toccata, Georgi Mushel (1909-1989)

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 for more information.

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Notices: April 14th

Sunday April 14th: Third Sunday of Easter

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

Sunday April 21st: Fourth Sunday of Easter

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School.

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: 9am Monday and Tuesdays in the Coach House.

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

Housekeeping matters during the building work: Please kindly note that toilet facilities are available at the Coach House, and the vestry is now strictly out of use. Seating is more restricted inside the church - please be considerate when choosing a pew and allow space for latecomers if possible (please consider filling up from the front!). The back pews are reserved for children and families attending Sunday school. In the event of an emergency, fire exits are at the main church door and the chancel door. As the colder months approach please remember to wrap up warm when you come to church. With the north aisle boxing we don't have the full benefit of the church heating. Fleece blankets are available from the welcomers if needed!

We are so grateful that the building work is progressing smoothly and to plan! 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. 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.

The Church Electoral Roll: do you need to update?

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is coming upon us again. This APCM for our parish gives us the chance to review the past year, look ahead to the year to come, and elect the people who will take part in the making of decisions on parish matters. Everyone is welcome to attend, but if you wish to vote or to stand for office you need to be on the parish electoral roll, our list of voting members.

The electoral roll also lets us know how many members we have, which is useful in all kinds of ways. So please consider joining if you consider yourself part of our community but are not yet on the roll.

If you are already on the roll, have you moved house in the last year? If so, please let me know.

Is there anyone who needs to be removed from the roll, because they have died or moved away? If so, please let me know.

Are you not on the roll, but you would like to be? Please pick up an application from the church, or download it from the church website, fill it in and return it, either to church or direct to me, either physically or by email – you can fill in and return the form electronically, it doesn't need a physical signature if you return it by email.

I'm also pleased to answer any questions you may have – I can even tell you whether you live inside or outside the parish boundaries!

The roll has to be closed for some weeks before the annual meeting, so please ensure that any applications or other changes are notified to me **BY 21**ST **APRIL 2024.** Thank you.

Joan Jones – Electoral Roll Officer 3 New Cross Road Headington OX3 8LP; <u>electoralroll@hthq.uk</u>; 07710611250

The Parish Office will be closed from Thursday 18th April and will reopen on Tuesday 30th April. Any notices for the Sundays of 21st & 28th April need to be sent to Helen at the office by 9am Tuesday 16th. Thank you.

Fr Christopher Hewetson it is with great sadness that we have learned that Fr Chris died in North Devon on Tuesday 2 April. Fr Chris succeeded Fr Head as Vicar of Holy Trinity in 1990. The Ministry of Fr Chris and his wife Alison is remembered with much fondness and gratitude. An example of this being the Coach House which came into being during his time here. Our love and prayers go with Alison, his wife, and all the family.

The next churchyard gardening date will be on Saturday **20th April 10am to 12noon**, weather permitting. Many thanks to the two people who came to help at the March work party. Perhaps more will be able to come this time. Any queries, please call Susan Houlton 01865 744896.

Calling all gardeners! As before we are going to have a **plant stall** at the **Christian Aid Spring Tea**. This year this will be held on **11th May** in the Village Hall. Now is the time to save some extra seedlings and pot up those plants that you were going to throw away. There will be a toy stall and book stall too and we shall be looking for offers of cakes nearer the time. Thank you!

Quarry talk and social An event run by the Friends of Quarry on **Friday 10 May** at the Quarry Village Hall at 7.30pm. A talk will be given on a historic painting of a Quarry House in 1800 by Dr William Crotch. All are welcome.

Hearing Loop Update: our loop system had to be disconnected during the work on the west end of church, we are really pleased that the contractors have found a way to reinstate it and it is now functioning. Please have a chat with a welcomer or one of the sound team if you are having problems.

APCM The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is coming up on **Wednesday 22 May at 7.30pm in church.** This APCM for our parish gives us the chance to review the past year, look ahead to the year to come, and elect the people who will take part in the making of decisions on parish matters. Everyone is welcome to attend so please put this date in your diary.

Celebrating thirty years of women priests: Sunday June 9th Please save the date for this special service! We are delighted to welcome Christina Rees, CBE, former chair of WATCH, as our preacher at the 10am Eucharist.

Save the Date – Back by popular demand the coach has been booked for the **annual parish day out at Alum Chine Bournemouth on 22nd June** seats will be £20 each to book your seat or for more information about this All Age wonderful day please email frances.farrar23@gmail.com

This week's Eco Tips: Plant Foods Part 2: Did you manage a day, or even a part-day on a vegetarian diet? Just sticking to a vegetarian diet for one day a week can save 100kg of CO₂ per person per year. *Hilary Rollin, Eco Group.*

Eco Resources Spring 2024

For suggestions about ECO Resources, including links to Zoom sessions (live and recorded), discussion groups, talks etc., go to: https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/. Hilary Rollin, Eco Group

Energy Recovery Facility Tour:

The Ardley Energy Recovery Facility (ERF), offers a fascinating tour on what happens to our general waste, and how it is turned into a resource. For more information, and to book your free visit, go to: https://www.viridor.co.uk/energy/visiting-our-facilities/ardley-visitor-centre/ or email enquiries@viridor.co.uk Hilary Rollin, 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 on back page) 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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