

HOLY TRINITY  
HEADINGTON QUARRY



*The Feast of Pentecost*  
*8th June 2025*

*Words of welcome.*

## **Hymn 638**

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
give me joy in my heart, I pray;  
give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
keep me praising till the break of day:

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,  
sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,  
sing hosanna to the King!*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,  
give me peace in my heart, I pray  
give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,  
keep me loving till the break of day: *Sing hosanna ...*

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
give me love in my heart, I pray;  
give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
keep me serving till the break of day: *Sing hosanna ....*

*Author unknown, ad. A. Sevison and others*

## **Greeting**

Welcome in the name of Christ.  
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you  
**and also with you.**

## **Opening Prayer**

**Lord Jesus, as we gather in your name  
to sing your praise,  
to hear your story,  
and to receive your gifts,  
fill us with your love,  
your peace and your joy.  
Amen.**

## Receiving God's Forgiveness

We await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit,  
God's gift to God's people,  
through whom we make Christ known to the world.

*Silence is kept.*

As we wait in silence,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

As we listen to your word,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

As we worship you in majesty,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your refreshing,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your renewing,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your equipping,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering,  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*The president says*

May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by the Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**Glory be to God in heaven,  
peace to those who love him well;  
on the earth let all his people  
speak his grace, his wonders tell:  
Lord, we praise you for your glory,  
mighty Father, heaven's king;  
hear our joyful adoration  
and accept the thanks we bring.**

**Only Son of God the Father,  
Lamb who takes our sin away,  
now with God in triumph seated  
for your mercy, Lord, we pray:  
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,  
Saviour, you are God alone  
in the glory of the Father  
with the Spirit: Three-in-One!**

*Tune: Ode to Joy. After Gloria in Excelsis , Michael Perry  
(1942 - 1996) © Mrs B Perry/Jubilate Hymns*

## **The Prayer for the Day**

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,  
ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,  
revive your Church with the breath of love,  
and renew the face of the earth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## ***The Liturgy of the Word***

### **Reading: Acts 2.1-12**

*We hear the passage read in a number of different languages.*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where

they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

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

## **Gospel Reading**

*Please stand. We repeat the refrain.*

### CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

## **Gospel reading: John 15.26-27**

'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my

behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## **Talk**

Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

## **Affirmation of Faith**

*Please stand*

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty.**

**We believe and trust in Jesus Christ His Son.**

**We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit.**

**We believe and trust in the Three in One**

*From the Northumbrian Community*

## **Prayers**

In the power of the spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

*Please sit or kneel.*

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

*Galatians 5.22-23*

*At the end of our time of prayer, we will finish with these words:*

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

*We ask for your prayers for those who are sick or in particular need:*

*Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate,  
Benjie, Pam, Madeline Tarrant, Hunter Merritt, Maureen, Elizabeth,  
Christine, Janet Lever, Len Farrar, Barbara Farrar.*

*Those who have died recently:  
Stephen Tolhurst*

*Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:  
Evelyn Clare, Anne Woolard.*

## **The Peace**

*Please stand*

God has made us one in Christ.  
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,  
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

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

*All may share a sign of Peace*

## **Hymn 238**

Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illumining.

Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and loneliness become mine inner clothing:

true loneliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till he become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

*Discendi, amor santo* Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)  
tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890)

*Any children are invited to gather round the altar.*

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine Prayer**

Blessed be God,  
who feeds the hungry,  
who raises the poor,  
who fills our praise.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

### **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 always right to give you thanks,  
God our Creator,  
loving and faithful,  
holy and strong.  
You made us  
and the whole universe,  
and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us,  
Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child.



He suffered on the cross;  
he died to save us from our sins;  
he rose in glory from the dead.  
You send your Spirit  
to bring new life to the world,  
and clothe us with power from on high.  
And so we join the angels  
to celebrate and sing:

**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!**

Father, on the night before he died,  
Jesus shared a meal with his friends.  
He took the bread, and thanked you.  
He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this to remember me.

*Bells are rung*

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.  
He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you.  
This is my blood,  
the new promise of God's unfailing love.  
Do this to remember me.

*Bells are rung*

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

Father, as we bring this bread and wine,  
and remember his death and resurrection,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that we who share these gifts  
may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us  
that we may love one another,  
work for the healing of the earth,  
and share the good news of Jesus,  
as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father,  
with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Please sit or kneel. Children return to their seats.*

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

*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

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 stewards. We will form two lines to receive communion – the bread is distributed from the chancel step, and the wine is distributed from the lady chapel step. Please return to your pew via the north aisle. Stewards will be on hand to direct you!*

*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 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 J. Evans (b. 1957)*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
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***

### **Commission**

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's Church here in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst, and Wood Farm, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

**By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

**We will.**

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

**We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

**We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

**We will.**

*We extinguish the Paschal Candle and take up our ribbons as a sign of God's presence in us.*

## **Hymn 27**

Colours of day dawn into the mind,  
The sun has come up, the night is behind,  
Go down in the city, into the street,  
And let's give the message to the people we meet.

*So light up the fire and let the flame burn,  
Open the door, let Jesus return,  
Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow,  
Tell the people of Jesus, let His love show.*

Go through the park, on into the town,  
The sun still shines on, it never goes down,  
The Light of the world is risen again,  
The people of darkness are needing a friend.

*So light up the fire ...*

Open your eyes, look into the skies,  
The darkness has gone, the Son came to die,

The evening draws on, the sun disappears,  
But Jesus is living, His Spirit is near.

*So light up the fire and let the flame burn,  
Open the door, let Jesus return,  
Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow,  
Tell the people of Jesus, let His love show.*

*Sue McClellan (b.1951), John Paculabo (1946-2013)  
and Keith Ryecroft (b.1949)*

### **The Blessing**

May Christ's holy, healing, enabling Spirit be with you  
and guide you on your way at every change and turn;  
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**

Filled with the Spirit's power,  
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Organ Voluntary:** Radetzsky March - Johann Strauss (Sr)

*Please do join us for refreshments at the back of church or in the warmer meeting room after the Service. 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: June 8th**

### **8<sup>th</sup> June: Pentecost**

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

10am All Age Eucharist

President: Revd Canon Margaret Whipp

Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Organist: Andrew Patterson

### **Midweek Services**

Morning Prayer: 9am Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Lady Chapel.

10am Wednesday Eucharist followed by refreshments.

### **15<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity Sunday**

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

10am Parish Eucharist

President: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Preacher: Revd Andrew Gregory

Organist: Andrew Patterson

### **A prayer for the vacancy:**

God of vision and hope,  
we thank you for all who have ministered here  
throughout the history of this church.

In this time of vacancy,  
may we continue to grow in love,  
share in responsibility,  
and seek your vision for our future,  
in the name of Jesus Christ, our shepherd and our guide.  
Amen.

**New vicar announced:** we are delighted to announce that the Revd Martin Little will be joining us as our new vicar from the autumn. He will be installed in mid-September and will be joining us from St John's Highbridge in Bath and Wells Diocese where he currently serves. Please pray for him and his family as they prepare to move, and for the people of St John's as they prepare to enter a vacancy.

**Notices for the church booklet** Please email Helen [office@hthq.uk](mailto:office@hthq.uk) no later than 9am Tuesday morning. Thank you.

**TODAY 1.30- 6PM Risinghurst and Sandhills Community Fete** on Risinghurst Playing Field, Grovelands Road.

Stalls, Food, Bar, Games, Entertainment, Music, Circus Skills, Children's Races, Lucky Programme Draw.

Entrance (with programme) £1 Children Under 16 free.

Please put the date in your diary and come and join in the fun. Holy Trinity have a stall for children. For any information please contact Margaret Taylor OX 765051.

Churches Together in Headington **Taize Prayer** a service of song, silence and prayer for Pentecost at Headington Methodist Church, Lime Walk on **this evening at 6.30pm.**

**Community Café every Tuesday 9.30 – 11.30am** in the meeting room in church. An intergenerational space for parents/carers to spend time with their younger ones, meet up with people of all ages over a cup of tea/coffee etc Toys available for preschool age children and toddlers.

**Lye Valley children's event** The committee of Headington Churches Together are planning to hold an event for children and their carers on the morning of **Saturday 14th June** at Bullingdon Community Centre, and all will be welcome. Right now we are looking for helpers. There will be a number of craft and activity tables (materials and instructions provided!), refreshments, and a guided walk along the valley. If you would like to be involved, either with helping on an activity table or with hospitality, please let me know. Thanks. Joan Jones [joan@joneses.org.uk](mailto:joan@joneses.org.uk) 07710611250

**Summer Fete 12 July 2025** We are planning for the Summer Fete this year. This will be the final time that the current committee will be organising the Summer Fete. We hope to have an extremely successful event for our last year. We will be happy to receive good quality books, toiletries, toys, nearly new gifts, plants and cakes. Nearer the time other donations of wine for the Water to Wine, an item for the Tombola or a £2 donation to buy a prize, will be welcomed. We 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)

**Wood Farm Community Projects** a number of projects are beginning in the Wood Farm area of our parish, including monthly litter picks, planting bulbs around the estate, and organising a community fete to take place in August. If you might be interested in helping out or want to find out more, speak to Emily.

**This week's Eco Tip:** *Churches Count on Nature, Love Your Burial Ground Week* (7<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> June) is upon us. Conservation charity *Caring for*



*God's Acre* is encouraging everyone to join in celebrating UK churchyards, cemeteries etc. This nation-wide event happily coincides with the third Saturday in the month when from 10 a.m. to 12 noon Holy Trinity churchyard work parties set to work. Whatever your gardening skills, come and join the group. If you have tools, please bring them, and gloves if you need them. For information contact Susan Houlton: Tel. 01865 744 896, [susan.houlton24@btinternet.com](mailto:susan.houlton24@btinternet.com)

**Eco Resources for Summer 2025:** For suggestions on information re Eco Matters, including reading material, links to Zoom sessions etc. go to: <https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources>

**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, Anne Tarassenko, or Ruth Wooldridge.



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# 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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