Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



Fourth Sunday After Trinity 13th July 2025

Please stand

Words of welcome.

Hymn 791

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

The God of Abrahm praise who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love; Jehovah, great I AM, by earth and heaven confext; we bow and bless the sacred name for ever blest.

The God who reigns on high the great archangels sing, and 'Holy, Holy, Holy,' cry, 'almighty King, who was, and is the same, and evermore shall be. Jehovah, Father, great I AM, we worship thee.'

Before the Saviour's face the ransomed nations bow, o'erwhelmed at his almighty grace for ever new; he shows his prints of love – they kindle to a flame, and sound through all the worlds above the slaughtered Lamb.

The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; 'hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost they ever cry: hail, Abraham's God, and mine, (I join the heavenly lays) all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

Thomas Olivers (1725-1799)

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 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.

The Collect

Let us pray:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Colossians 1.1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To God's holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ: Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people – the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world – just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace. You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, and who also told us of your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.



^{&#}x27;Pilgrim's Alleluia': Hymn 377

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

Gospel reading: Luke 10.25-37

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

'What is written in the Law?' he replied. 'How do you read it?'

He answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, "Love your neighbour as yourself."

'You have answered correctly,' Jesus replied. 'Do this and you will live.'

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

In reply Jesus said: 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have."

'Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?'

The expert in the law replied, 'The one who had mercy on him.'

Jesus told him, 'Go and do likewise.'

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

Sermon

Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

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. The following response may be used:

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need: Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate, Benjie, Pam, Madeline Tarrant, Hunter Merritt, Elizabeth Knight, Maureen, Christine, Janet Lever, Len Farrar, Barbara Farrar, Kit Boylston, Linda Pearce.

Those who have died recently: Stephen Tolhurst

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Anthony Miles, Jessica Harper, Diana Wood, Kenneth Thompson, Beryl Horwood, Eric Wood, Joyce Keen, Dorothy Carter.

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 496

Long Ago you taught your people: 'Part of what you reap is mine – from your cattle, bring the firstborn; tithe the crops of field and vine.' Though beneath the Law's restrictions we are not compelled to live, as we reap our monthly harvest, make us eager, Lord, to give.

What a way of life you showed us through the Son you gladly gave: never snared by earthly treasure, buried in a borrowed grave – yet to all he freely offered riches of the deepest kind: let us live with his example firmly fixed in heart and mind.

In the life-style of the Spirit giving has a central part; Teach us, Lord, this grace of sharing with a cheerful, loving heart – not a tiresome obligation, not a barren legal due, but an overflow of worship: all we have belongs to you!

Martin Leckebusch (b. 1962)

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:



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. *(Bells are rung)*

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. (Bells are rung) 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.



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. Regular communicants of their own tradition are invited to receive communion. There are two lines to receive communion, or if you prefer a blessing, returning to your pew via the north aisle. Stewards will guide you.

The bread is distributed from the chancel step and the wine from that of the Lady Chapel, to the left. You may receive the bread only. Please do not dip your wafer in the chalice. Please inform a steward if you wish to receive communion in your seat

Hymn 452

Let all mortal flesh keep silence and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture -in the body and the blood -he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord most high.

Cherubic Hymn from the Liturgy of St James versified by Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885) tr. J.M. Neale and R.F. Littledale

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

Thanksgiving for Fete Committee

Members of the Fete Committee are invited to stand as we give thanks for their work over the last 30 years and their service to our local community.

Please stand

Hymn 702

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy, love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston (1791-1867)

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. Please do join us for refreshments at the back of church or in the meeting room after the Service. Please take this booklet away with you and recycle it when you have finished with it.

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Voluntary Trio Sonata in C Major BMV 529 (Part)

Notices: July 13th

Please read the weekly notices to find out about upcoming events and services. Clergy will highlight some of these notices in their brief welcome. If there is something you would particularly like highlighted at the start of the service, please notify the clergy (by email or phone) in good time before the service, or speak to them before the service starts if this is not possible.

13th July: The Fourth Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion President & Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex 10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School President: Revd Canon David Knight Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex Organist: Andrew Patterson

20th July: The Fifth Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion President & Preacher: Revd Professor Rob Gilbert 10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School President: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex Preacher: Revd Professor Rob Gilbert Organist: Andrew Patterson

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: 9am Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Lady Chapel. 10am Wednesday Eucharist followed by refreshments.

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. **Wood Farm Summer Fete** takes place on **Saturday 2 August 2pm – 4pm** at the Wood Farm rec ground on Nuffield Road. There will be Bouncy Castles, Fire Eating, Fire Engine, Food Tent, Games, Facepainting, Crafts, and Performances – most things free. Please do come along to support this event, and if you think you might be able to contribute cake, please email Emily (curate@hthq.uk).

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.

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.

Forest Sunday School will be having a break during the summer. Our last session out in the woods will be during the 10am service on Sunday **July 20th**. See you in September!

Eco Tips Sort out the clothes and equipment you'll need if going away. Any children's holiday clothes from last summer that can't be adapted to fit might be welcomed by cousins, friends or charity shops. Don't bin them! Hilary Rollin, 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 on back page) or Helen Day, Janet Masters, Anne Tarassenko, or Ruth Wooldridge.



Risinghurst and Sandhills Parish Council Presents

WOOD FARM SUMMER FETE

Wood Farm Rec Ground, Nuffield Rd

SATURDAY 2ND AUGUST 2025 2PM - 4PM

Bouncy Castles, Fire Eating, Fir Engine, Food Tent, Games, Facepainting, Crafts, Performances

Most things for free!

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Regular Giving at HTHQ

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 <u>www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church</u> for more information

If you don't currently contribute regularly to Holy Trinity, please consider doing so.

If you already contribute regularly to Holy Trinity, please consider increasing your monthly or annual contribution.

If you currently give regularly via a Standing Order or another way, please consider cancelling that and switching to the Parish Giving Scheme.

If you already support Holy Trinity through the Parish Giving Scheme, thank you.

To start giving through the Scheme:

(i) access the Scheme's website through the QR code below and click on "Regular Giving," or visit <u>https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/headington-quarry-holy-trinity-oxford/</u>

(ii) call the Scheme on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm, and they will take all of the information needed to complete a new Direct Debit instruction for you.





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:

Contact us

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