

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

An open door between heaven and earth, showing God's love to all



Sixth Sunday After Trinity

27th July 2025

Hymn 227

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Virgin's son, the God incarnate born, whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn: Fruit of the mystic Rose, as of that Rose the Stem; the root whence mercy ever flows, the Babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, those wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified: no angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a sceptre sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end, and round his piercèd feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time, creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)

The president says

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

The Greeting

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

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

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

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,

and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

The president says

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

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory 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

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please be seated

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Colossians 2.6-15

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.



'Pilgrim's Alleluia': Hymn 377

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

Gospel reading: Luke 11. 1-13

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

"Father,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.

And lead us not into temptation."

Then Jesus said to them, 'Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him." And suppose the one inside answers, "Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity [e] he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

'So I say to you: ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

'Which of you fathers, if your son asks for [f] a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how

much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Canon Margaret Whipp

Nicene Creed

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, Gillian Winman.

Those who have died recently: Joan Brady.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:
Anthony Stone, Lovell Pearce, Summer Kerr-Brown,
Colin Macfarlane, Rosemary Herklots, Bruce Wilcock, Barbara Cox.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

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 728

Meekness and majesty, manhood and deity in perfect harmony, the Man who is God. Lord of eternity dwells in humanity, kneels in humility and washes our feet

Oh, what a mystery, meekness and majesty. Bow down and worship for this is your God, this is your God.

Father's pure radiance,
perfect in innocence
yet learns obedience
to death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life,
conquering through sacrifice,
And as they crucify
prays: 'Father, forgive.' Oh, what a mystery...

Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible,
Love indestructible
in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity,
stopping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity
to the heights of his throne.

Oh, what a mystery, meekness and majesty. Bow down and worship for this is your God, this is your God.

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)

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

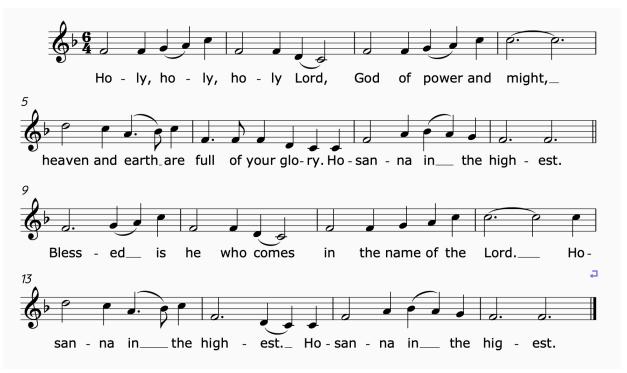
The Lord be with you and also with you.

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.

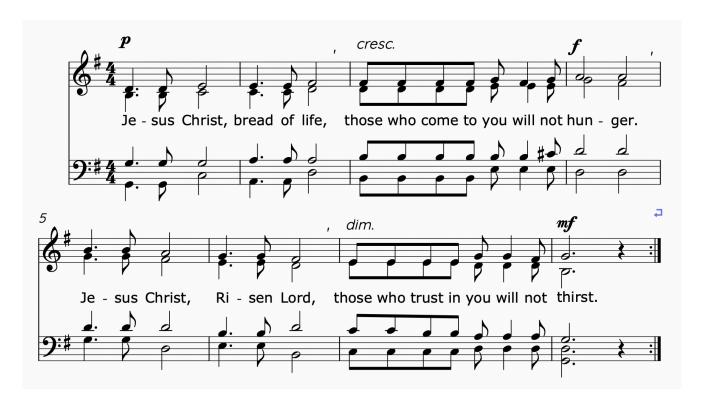
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.

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.



Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is God's table and all are welcome. 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 434ii

Christ bids us break the bread and share the cup he gave, in token of the blood he shed for those he died to save.

It was for us he came, to bear, by human birth, a crown of thorn, a cross of shame, for every child of earth.

The Saviour crucified in glory rose again; we here remember him who died, ascended now to reign.

Our hearts his word obey, in thankfulness and love: we feed on Christ by faith today and feast with him above.

O Christ, once lifted up that we might be forgiven, we take the bread and drink the cup and share the life of heaven.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

Prayer after Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of 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

Please stand

Hymn 612

Christ triumphant, ever reigning, Saviour, Master, King! Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining, hear us as we sing:

Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth! power and majesty concealing by your humble birth: *Yours the glory...*

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated, victim crucified! death is through the cross defeated, sinners justified: *Yours the glory...*

Priestly king, enthroned for ever high in heaven above! sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love: Yours the glory...

So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long, ceaselessly upon you gazing, this shall be our song:

Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

Michael Saward (b. 1932)

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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Notices: July 27th

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.

27 July: The Sixth Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

10am Parish Eucharist NB Forest Sunday School on a break

President: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex Preacher: Revd Canon Margaret Whipp

Organist: David Knight

3 August: The Seventh Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Dr Andrew Gregory

10am Parish Eucharist NB Forest Sunday School on a break

President: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex Preacher: Revd Dr Andrew Gregory

Organist: Andrew Patterson

Midweek Services

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

10am Wednesday Eucharist followed by refreshments.

Please note: Morning Prayer will be taking a break during August,

resuming on Tuesday 2 September.

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.

Church Fete a big thank you all supporting such a happy event on such a hot day. We raised a total of £1,415.61(and there will be Gift Aid to add to that). Well done! It was good to watch the Headington Quarry Morris Men and to enjoy some time together at a traditional summer fête. As you know, it's the last one the current committee will organise, so it's the end of an era and we're glad a good amount was raised. Our thanks to Lisa & Mike Hill, Derek & Margaret Taylor, Linda & Howard Pearce and Janet Foot for all their years of service on the committee and for the monies raised.

Wood Farm Summer Fete takes place next **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).

Holiday Club: Superheroes of the Bible takes place at Collinwood Road URC on 5, 6, 12 & 13 August from 10am to 1.30pm for children aged 5 to 11 years. £20 for four days (family discounts available). Get to learn more about the heroes in our bible whilst making new friends and enjoying

lots of activities including arts & crafts, music, sports and lots more! Places are limited so booking in advance is essential! To book your place please email: georgina.fenson@gmail.com

Prayer Partners project: this September, we want to celebrate the intergenerational community of our church and strengthen those links by matching prayer partners across the generations to look out for one another at church and to pray for them. We're seeking sign ups from parents on behalf of their children/young people and from adults who would be interested in supporting a younger generation in prayer. To sign up for this scheme, go to https://forms.gle/29ptt6Qy9x3EiYri6 **by August 17**th or email Emily for more information. *Please note: to keep numbers balanced we may not take up every offer this time, but appreciate every one.*

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. Martin's Installation service will take place on Monday 15th September. Time to be confirmed.

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. See you in September!

Eco Tips This week's Eco Tip: Are we guilty of running the washing machine at higher temperatures than necessary? Most machines and products will wash effectively at 40°, 30° or even 20°, thereby saving electricity, and causing less wear and tear on your washing. 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.

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 www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church 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.

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





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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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