

# Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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



Tenth Sunday After Trinity

24<sup>th</sup> August 2025

#### **Hymn 645**

God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble; and we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change! Though mountains shake and tremble, though swirling floods are raging, God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

There is a flowing river, within God's holy city; God is in the midst of hershe shall not be moved! God's help is swiftly given, thrones vanish at his presence-God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our maker, learn of his deeds all-powerful: wars will cease across the world when he shatters the spear! Be still and know your creator, uplift him in the nations-God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

Richard Bewes (b.1934) based on Psalm 46

#### 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

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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: Isaiah 58.9b-14

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong;

and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, hose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; [a] then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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 13. 10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days

on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate, Benjie,
Madeline Tarrant, Hunter Merritt, Elizabeth Knight, Maureen,
Christine, Janet Lever, Len Farrar, Barbara Farrar, Art Boylston,
Gillian Winman.

Those who have died recently:

Joan Brady, John Kirby, Judy Lindley, Barbara Fruin

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Lucina Charles, Alexander Kouvaritakis, Pat Green.

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.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of Peace

#### **Hymn 683**

Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest, beneath thy contemplation sink heart and voice oppressed. I know not, O I know not what joys await us there, what radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Sion, conjubilant with song, and bright with many an angel, and all the martyr throng; the Prince is ever with them; the daylight is serene, the pastures of the blessèd are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David; and there, from care released, the shout of them that triumph, the song of them that feast; and they, who with their leader have conquered in the fight, forever and forever are clad in robes of white. O sweet and blessèd country, the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country that eager hearts expect!
Jesu, in mercy bring us to that dear land of rest; who art, with God the Father and Spirit, ever blest.

Bernard of Cluny (12<sup>th</sup> century) tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

#### 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

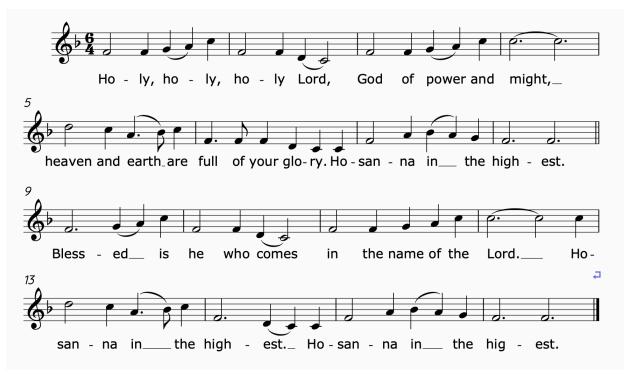
The Lord be with you and also with you.

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

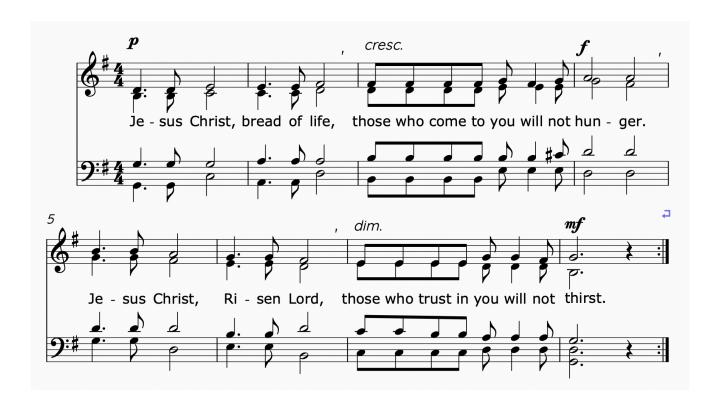
#### Please sit or kneel

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. 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 783**

Stand up, and bless the Lord, ye people of his choice; stand up, and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.

Though high above all praise, above all blessing high, who would not fear his holy name, and laud and magnify?

O for the living flame from his own altar brought, to touch our lips, our mind inspire, and wing to heaven our thought.

God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours; then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.

Stand up, and bless the Lord, the Lord your God adore; stand up, and bless his glorious name henceforth for evermore.

James Montgomery (1771- 1854)

#### **Prayer after Communion**

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through 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 476**

Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labour to pursue; thee, only thee, resolved to know, in all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned O let me cheerfully fulfil; in all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.

Preserve me from my calling's snare, and hide my simple heart above, above the thorns of choking care, the gilded baits of worldly love.

Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes my inmost substance see, and labour on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke, and every moment watch and pray, and still to things eternal look, and hasten to your glorious day;

For thee delightfully employ whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given: and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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.

**Voluntary:** Toccata in C Major - *JS Bach* 

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: August 24th

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.

#### 24 August: The Tenth 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: Margaret Whipp Organist: Andrew Patterson

#### 31 August: The Eleventh Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

10am Parish Eucharist NB Forest Sunday School on a break

President: Revd Canon David Knight Preacher: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Organist: Andrew Patterson

#### **Midweek Services**

10am Wednesday Eucharist followed by refreshments.

Please note: Morning Prayer will be taking a break during August, resuming on Tuesday 2 September.

All-Age service – Intergenerational Community – Sunday 7 Sept We will celebrate our church community and the launch of the prayer partners scheme with an all-age service at the beginning of 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.



### Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

The Church Wardens and the PCC invite you
to the Collation by the Bishop of Oxford
and the Induction and Installation by the Archdeacon of Oxford
of The Revd Martin Little as Vicar of Holy Trinity Headington Quarry
on Monday 15 September 2025 at 7pm in Holy Trinity Church

Refreshments afterwards in the Coach House
Please RSVP by 31 August via email: felicity.hthq@gmail.com
Clergy and LLMs are asked to indicate if they will robe (Choir Dress)

Address: Holy Trinity Church, Headington Quarry, Oxford, OX3 8NX Parking: Coach House, 46 Quarry Rd, Oxford OX3 8NU (limited spaces)

Free street parking available Quarry Rd, Weyland Road and Mark Road (OX3)

**News from Emily:** I am delighted to share that (subject to legalities) I have been appointed as the new vicar of St John the Baptist Church in Bodicote. My final service at Holy Trinity will be **Sunday 19 October**, and I will be installed at Bodicote on **Wednesday 12 November**. Further details to follow but I hope to celebrate with you on either or both occasions!

**Newsletter** The deadline for the next online newsletter is **Thursday 4th September**. If you have any items and photos to contribute, please email them to Yue-Yi Hwa at <a href="mailto:newsletter@hthq.uk">newsletter@hthq.uk</a>. Thank you very much.

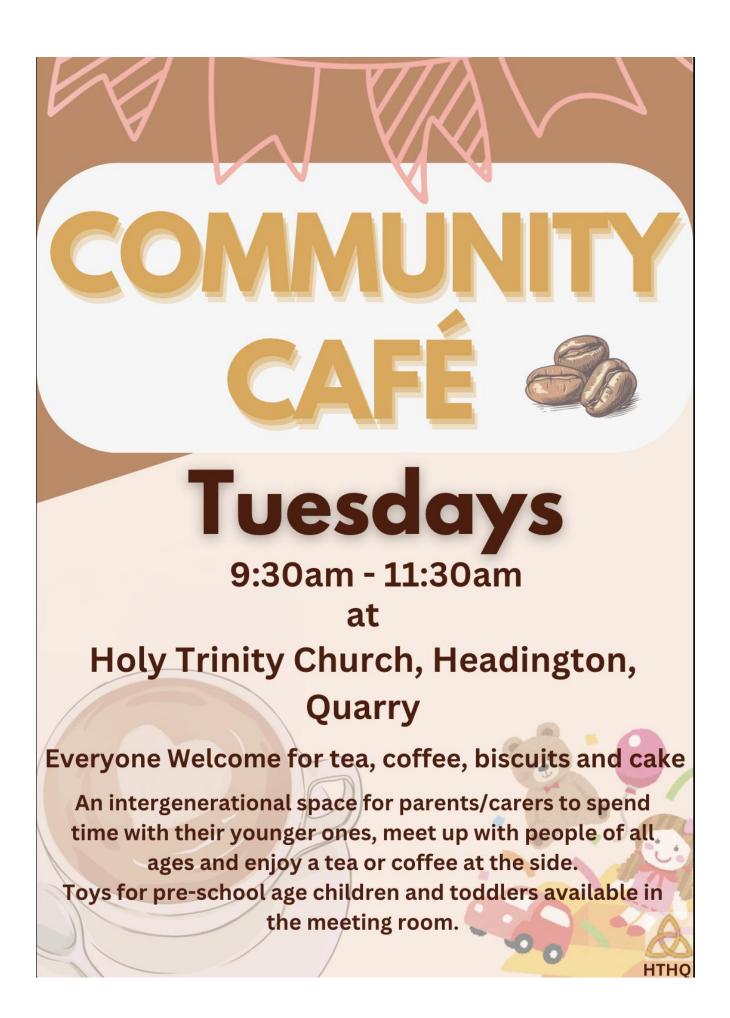
A **BIG THANKYOU** to the Sunday cake and biscuit fairy! You are much appreciated. Margaret Jackson and all the 10am congregation.

**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:** Unsubscribe from unnecessary/unwanted emails. They use server energy, not to mention our own energy, the time spent deleting them, and meanwhile adding to our screen time. 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.





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### Get involved in worship...



# READING & PRAYING

The first reading and the prayers of intercession are always led by a member of the congregation.

#### **SERVING**

Our serving team help to prepare the altar, carry the cross, and support the clergy in leading services.

#### BELLRINGING

Our bells connect us to the community and are an audible witness to our worship.

# SOUND SYSTEM TEAM

Volunteers enable us to broadcast our services on Radio Cherwell as well as making people heard in church.



For more information, contact office@hthq.uk



## Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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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:

#### Contact us

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Associate Priest: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert
associatepriest@hthq.uk

Curate: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

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