



# Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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



*Seventh Sunday After Trinity*

*3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025*

*Words of welcome.*

*Please stand*

## **Hymn 644**

God is Love: let heav'n adore him;  
God is Love: let earth rejoice;  
let creation sing before him,  
and exalt him with one voice.  
God who laid the earth's foundation,  
God who spread the heav'ns above,  
God who breathes through all creation,  
God is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love: and he enfoldeth,  
all the world in one embrace:  
with unfailing grasp he holdeth,  
every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking  
under sorrow's iron rod,  
then they find that selfsame aching  
deep within the heart of God.

God is Love; and though with blindness  
sin afflicts the souls of all,  
God's eternal loving-kindness  
holds and guides us when we fall..  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is Love, so Love for ever  
o'er the universe must reign.

*Timothy Rees (1874-1939)*

*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**

Lord of all power and might,  
the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
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 3.1-11**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways

you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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 12. 13-21**

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

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

### **Sermon**

Rev'd Dr Andrew Gregory

*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, Art Boylston, Gillian Winman, Judy Lindley.*

*Those who have died recently:*

*Joan Brady, John Kirkby.*

*Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:*

*Jean Jensen, Victor Day, Robert Rivington.*

*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.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

*All may exchange a sign of Peace*

## Hymn 594

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in every change he faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,  
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
his voice, who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then you shall better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears.  
Be still, my soul: for Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

*Katharina Amalia Dorothea von Schlegel (1697-after 1768)  
tr. Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813-1897)*

### **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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, \_

5  
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in \_ the high - est.

9  
Bless - ed \_ is he who comes in the name of the Lord. \_ Ho -

13  
san - na in \_ the high - est. \_ Ho - san - na in \_ the hig - est.

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.

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.**

Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

5 Je - sus Christ, Ri - sen Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

The musical score is written for two staves (treble and bass clef) in 4/4 time. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The first system starts with a piano (*p*) dynamic, followed by a crescendo (*cresc.*) and then a forte (*f*) dynamic. The second system starts with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic, followed by a decrescendo (*dim.*). The lyrics are written below the notes.

## 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 595

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
be thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my string tow'r:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:  
be thou mine inheritance now and always;  
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;  
O sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after victory is won;  
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Irish 8<sup>th</sup> century, tr. Mary E. Byrne & Eleanor H. Hull*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves  
the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup,  
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he 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***

*Please stand*

### **Hymn 483**

We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, oh,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching, oh,  
we are marching in the light of God.

We are living in the love of God,  
*etc.*

We are moving in the power of God,  
*etc.*

*Xhosa (South African) traditional hymn  
v.1 Anders Nyberg (b. 1955) vv. 2, 3 Andrew Maries (b. 1949)*

### **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: August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*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.*

### **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: David Knight

### **10 August: The Eighth Sunday of Trinity**

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Professor Rob Gilbert

10am Parish Eucharist *NB Forest Sunday School on a break*

President: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Preacher: Revd Professor 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.*

### **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.

**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](mailto:georgina.fenson@gmail.com)



## 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](mailto: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!

**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<sup>th</sup>** 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.*

**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!

**Churchyard working party** The next one will be held on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August** from 10am -12 noon. Please come along and help Susan and the other volunteers. No experience needed just a willingness to join in.

**Eco Tips This week's Eco Tip:** Did you know that blister packs from tablets should not be put in the household recycling bin? Boots in London Rd has a collection bin for them and a means of recycling them. There is also a scheme whereby Advantage card holders can earn points when recycling blister packs. 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 below) or Helen Day, Janet Masters, Anne Tarassenko, or Ruth Wooldridge.



# 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**

**Vicar:** Revd Martin Little *arriving in September*

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