



Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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



The Fourth Sunday after
Trinity
28th June 2026

Welcome to Holy Trinity! If you are new to the church or visiting, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers, and let us know any additional needs you may have. An accessible toilet and baby change facilities are located in the meeting room on the north side of the church (across from the door you came in.)

Children are a beloved and integral part of Holy Trinity, and most Sundays we run a Forest Sunday School in our small woodland area of the churchyard. The welcomers will point you in the direction of the Sunday School leaders. Children and babies are very welcome to stay in the service, or to use the meeting room if a break-out space would be helpful. We are not bothered by noise or children being children: we're just glad you're here.

Please sit, or stand as you feel comfortable during the service, and join in with the words in bold type. Tea, coffee and refreshments are served after the service: please stay for a friendly chat if you would like to.

Holy Trinity is funded almost entirely by donations. If you are able to contribute today as part of your worship, you can do so using the card reader or plate by the door on your way in or out. Regular supporters of Holy Trinity are encouraged to do so via the Parish Giving Scheme: a secure, tax-efficient way of contributing to our ministry here.

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Welcome and Introduction

The president says

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

Words of welcome and any notices are given.

Hymn 765

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
hast thou not seen how thy heart's wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if to the end he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again;
gladly for aye we adore him!

Lobe den Herren Joachim Neander (1650-1680)
tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

The Greeting

The president says

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

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.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The president says

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
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.

Silence is kept.

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit

Old Testament Reading Genesis 22.1-14

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the

lamb for a burnt-offering?’ Abraham said, ‘God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.’ So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, ‘Abraham, Abraham!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’ He said, ‘Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.’ And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place ‘The LORD will provide’; as it is said to this day, ‘On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.’

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 Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel reading: Matthew 10. 40-end

‘Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.’

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

Sermon

The Revd Martin Little

The 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.

Those in need of our prayers: *Margaret Jackson, Julie, Lesley Williams*

Those who are preparing for Baptism: *Lucas*

Those who have died recently: *Dorothy Jacobs*

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

John Kirby, Mark Clare

And at the end

**Merciful father
accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son,
our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.
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 647

God moves in a mysterious way
his wonders to perform;
he plants his footsteps in the sea,
and rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines
of never-failing skill
he treasures up his bright designs,
and works his sovereign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
the clouds ye so much dread
are big with mercy, and shall break
in blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
but trust him for his grace;
behind a frowning providence
he hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast,
unfolding every hour;
the bud may have a bitter taste,
but sweet will be the flower.

Blind unbelief is sure to err,
and scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
and he will make plain.

William Cowper (1731- 1800)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,___

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heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in___ the high - est.

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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 high - est.

Hymn 418

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.**

Agnus Dei

p, *cresc.*, *f*

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

5, *dim.*, *mf*

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

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

This is God's table and all are welcome. Please follow the directions of the stewards, and pause level with the front pew to allow others to pass before approaching to receive the sacrament.

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 585

All I once held dear, built my life upon,
all this world reveres, and wars to own
all I once thought gain I have counted loss;
spent and worthless now, compared to this.

*Knowing you, Jesus,
knowing you,
there is no greater thing.
You're my all, you're the best,
you're my joy, my righteousness,
and I love you, Lord.*

Now my heart's desire is to know you more,
to be found in you and known as yours.
To possess by faith what I could not earn,
all-surpassing gift of righteousness

Oh, to know the power of your risen life,
and to know you in your sufferings.
To become like you in your death, my Lord,
so with you to live and never die.

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)

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.

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

The Sending Out

Please stand

Hymn 650

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)

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.

A minister says

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ, Amen.

Voluntary: Spitfire Prelude – *William Walton*

The **Parish Office** is now closed and will reopen on Monday July 13th.

Please join us for refreshments, served at the back of church. If you can, please donate to the coffee fund in the jar provided. Please keep the flow moving by heading away from the serving hatch once you've got a drink, and feel free to use the space at the back of church or in our meeting room to mingle.

Please take this booklet away with you and recycle it when you have finished with it.

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Notices The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday June 28th: The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

President: The Revd Martin Little

10am Eucharist

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Preacher: The Revd Martin Little

Organist: Andrew Patterson

Midweek Services:

9am Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday when the Vicar is available. The Church is normally open for private prayer every day during daylight hours.

Wednesday

10am Midweek Communion

Sunday July 5th: The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

President: The Revd Martin Little

10am Eucharist

President: The Revd Martin Little

Preacher: The Revd Canon David Knight

Organist: Andrew Patterson

No 8am service during August - We know how much people value this Communion service, however with attendance often very low and lack of

clergy available to cover, we have made the decision to pause this service over the month of August. The Wednesday 10am Communion provides an alternative quieter service in the week. If regulars would like a Book of Common Prayer service during this time, there is a weekly 8am BCP at St Andrew's, Headington.

For Children and families Bring and Share picnic lunch next Sunday July 5th from 11.30am in the Vicarage garden. Please bring some food to share. Squash, water and cups will be provided.

Building Firm Foundations Appeal 2026 - we launched an appeal last month to raise £100,000 by the end of 2026. This is to help pay off our building loan and fix our leaky roof. Thank you to all who have generously donated and/or pledged. An update will be given shortly.

Wood Farm Fete- Quarry WI are manning a cake stall for the fete and will make some cakes, but we would welcome contributions of cakes from the congregation as well please. If you feel you can help I will put a board at the back of the church for names. I can collect them before the day or make some arrangements. Thank You. Margaret Taylor (01865 765051)

Tuesday Community Cafe 9.30 – 11.30am Please do come along with friends or neighbours. Toys available for preschool age children and toddlers.

Julian Group. The July meeting will be on **Friday 3rd July at 2.30 pm at 6 Quarry Hollow. (Please note change of venue.)** We meditate for half an hour on a passage provided by one of us and then discuss it before having a social time with tea/coffee and biscuits. New members are very welcome. Please contact me for further details: **Sheila Allcock 01865-769630**

New filter Coffee and Tea if you are able to it would help the church funds if you could donate to the refreshment fund each week by either putting money in the jar or by using the card machine. Thank you.

'there are no ordinary people' an intimate acoustic gig here at Holy Trinity on **July 12th 7-9pm** please see the poster at the back of church or ask Revd Martin for more information.

Walk to Wheatley Windmill, Sunday 12th July: Join us on a walk to visit Wheatley's restored working windmill (see: wheatleymill.co.uk). We shall leave The Plain (aka Shotover car park) at 12.15, each with a picnic, water, and 'sensible shoes' (we need to be able to climb a ladder in the mill). There is no admission charge, but donations are appreciated to

contribute to the upkeep of the windmill. Coffee/tea and cake can be bought. NB Some rough ground and some uphill walking are involved, but we'll avoid the footpath with flights of grassy steps.

We anticipate being back at The Plain c5.30. Alternatively, the 400 bus runs from Wheatley to Headington half-hourly (at .19 and .49 minutes past the hour) taking 20 minutes. Numbers are limited. To sign up please contact Jan McLeod, Anthea Boylston, Margaret Samuel or Hilary Rollin after church, or phone Hilary on 01865 761545. Hilary Rollin for Eco Church Group.

Open Eco Meetings: Are you interested in discussing Eco matters? Why not come along to the first of this Summer's Open Eco meetings on Tuesday 7th July 10.30-12.00? Coffee/tea and cake provided. Other dates will be offered in due course. To register your interest and save a place, speak to Jan McLeod, Anthea Boylston, Margaret Samuel or Hilary Rollin after church today or phone Hilary on 01865 761545. Eco Church group

This week's Eco Tip: Time to think ahead to Plastic-Free July; be part of the solution to plastic pollution by avoiding single-use plastic. Take the challenge to reduce the plastic lying in our streets, floating in our rivers, accumulating in vast 'plastic soups' in our oceans (concentrations of microplastics mixed with larger debris), as in The Great Pacific Garbage Patch -three times the size of France-. To sign up to the challenge go to: <https://www.plasticfreejuly.org/> electricity bill. NB Outside lights left on at night are detrimental to the wildlife that you are probably trying to encourage. Hilary Rollin (Eco Church Group)

Wood Farm Fete, Sat 18 July 2-5pm We are looking for volunteers to assist at this brilliant community event in our parish: any amount of help much appreciated. Having a strong church presence will show our love and support for this community. Please contact becky.howard@risinghurstsandhills-pc.gov.uk / 07856304619.

Retreats at the Old Parsonage FREELAND Oxford - 2026

Monday **6th July** to Thursday **9th July** Title: Place your eyes before the mirror of eternity. Led by Helen Stanton Cost £ 225.00

The retreat is based upon the premise that from icons and nature to other visual stimuli, as we pay close attention to what is created, we will find that God is gazing lovingly back at us. We will spend time thinking about what lies behind this premise, and looking at icons, nature and paintings or sculpture. No previous experience of the art world is required.

Friday 16th October to Sunday 18th October. Title: Putting Wonder Into Words: Led by The Rev'd Rob Gilbert. Cost £ 185.00

Everyone, throughout their lives, experiences wonder: amazement at the beauty of the world, perceived at all scales. This retreat will explore the meanings to be found in the human appreciation of beauty in nature and in the sciences, and what our words about wonder might be reflecting of the Word of God.

Rob Gilbert is an Anglican Priest currently serving in two parishes in the Oxford Diocese. He is a scientist by training, and works in the University of Oxford where he is attached to the Nuffield Department of Medicine and to Magdalen College.

Booking forms and further details for these retreats are available from Revd Jean King on oxfordretreat@yahoo.co.uk
32 Ambleside Drive, Headington, Oxford OX3 0AQ.

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 from a member of the team. Please contact the clergy or the Parish Office in the first instance.



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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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