



Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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



Harvest Festival
All-Age Eucharist
27th September 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 by 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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(ii) call the Scheme on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm.



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 282

Please stand

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest-home:
all be safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come;
raise the song of harvest-home!

All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear:
grant, O harvest Lord, that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall purge away
all that doth offend, that day;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

Then, thou Church Triumphant, come,
raise the song of harvest-home;
all be safely gathered in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,

there for ever purified
in God's garner to abide:
come, ten thousand angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest-home!

Henry Alford (1810-1871)

The Greeting

The president says

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

As we come together in thanks, we confess our sins, and the sins of our society in the misuse of God's creation.

God our Father, we are sorry
for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly,
and acted ungratefully.
Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.
Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,
but ignore the cry of the hungry.
Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We are thoughtless,
and do not care enough for the world you have made.
Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We store up goods for ourselves alone,
as if there were no God and no heaven.
Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

The president declares God's forgiveness:

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour,
forgive us our sins
and make us holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Father.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Father.
To God be glory forever
To God be glory forever
Alleluia Amen
Alleluia Amen
Alleluia Amen
Alleluia Amen

Glory to God, Glory to God, Son of the Father.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Son of the Father.
To God be glory forever
To God be glory forever
Alleluia Amen
Alleluia Amen
Alleluia Amen
Alleluia Amen

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to the Spirit.
Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to the Spirit.
To God be glory forever
To God be glory forever
Alleluia Amen
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Peruvian Liturgical Text, ed. John Ballantine (1945)

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.
Creator God,

you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea
and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect
this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First reading: Deuteronomy 8:7-18 (Good News Translation)

The Lord your God is bringing you into a fertile land—a land that has rivers and springs, and underground streams gushing out into the valleys and hills; a land that produces wheat and barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives, and honey. There you will never go hungry or ever be in need. Its rocks have iron in them, and from its hills you can mine copper. You will have all you want to eat, and you will give thanks to the Lord your God for the fertile land that he has given you.

“Make certain that you do not forget the Lord your God; do not fail to obey any of his laws that I am giving you today. When you have all you want to eat and have built good houses to live in and when your cattle and sheep, your silver and gold, and all your other possessions have increased, be sure that you do not become proud and forget the Lord your God who rescued you from Egypt, where you were slaves. He led you through that vast and terrifying desert where there were poisonous snakes and scorpions. In that dry and waterless land he made water flow out of solid rock for you. In the desert he gave you manna to eat, food that your ancestors had never eaten. He sent hardships on you to test you, so that in the end he could bless you with good things. So then, you must never think that you have made yourselves wealthy by your own power and strength. Remember that it is the Lord your God who gives you the power to become rich. He does this because he is still faithful today to the covenant that he made with your ancestors.

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.

CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

Gospel reading: Luke 17:11-19 (New Century Version)

While Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem, he was going through the area between Samaria and Galilee. As he came into a small town, ten men who had a skin disease met him there. They did not come close to Jesus but called to him, "Jesus! Master! Have mercy on us!"

When Jesus saw the men, he said, "Go and show yourselves to the priests."

As the ten men were going, they were healed. When one of them saw that he was healed, he went back to Jesus, praising God in a loud voice. Then he bowed down at Jesus' feet and thanked him. (And this man was a Samaritan.) Jesus said, "Weren't ten men healed? Where are the other nine? Is this Samaritan the only one who came back to thank God?" Then Jesus said to him, "Stand up and go on your way. You were healed because you believed."

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

Sermon

The Revd Martin Little

Affirmation of Faith

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family in heaven
and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

Those in need of our prayers: *Rachel Heath, Diana, Julie,
Lesley Williams, Sue Saville, David, Pat and family*

Those preparing for Baptism:

Those preparing for marriage: *Hannah and Rayan*

Those who have died recently: *Kate Larminie, John Wood*

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:
*Lynette Cherrill, Charles Burrows, Henry Norton, Francis Wells,
Margaret Miles, Tony Sims*

And at the end

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

The Peace

Please stand

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
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

Here we are giving,
out of our plenty
fruit of thanksgiving,
tribute of love:
hearts overflowing
cannot stand empty,
constantly growing
grace from above.

Gathered together,
gratitude springing
from one another,
in all we do:
serving and caring,
praying and singing,
building and sharing,
offered to you.

words © Ally Barrett / Jubilate tune: 545, Morning has broken

The Offering of the Harvest Gifts

Children and others bring up symbolic gifts to the altar.

The offering of the soil

We bring the soil of our fields,
symbol of all that God has created.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

The offering of the fruits of the earth

We bring the harvest of our fields and of our gardens,
symbols of our work in partnership with God.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

The offering of seeds

We bring the seeds for next year's planting,
symbol of God's promise to provide our daily bread.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

The offering of water

We bring water, symbol of our dependence on God for life,
symbol of the new life he gives in baptism.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

The offering of bread and wine

We bring bread and wine,
symbol of our use of God's gifts,
symbol of his spiritual food,
the sacrament of his body and blood.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Children are invited to gather around the altar.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

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.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

Bells are rung

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

Bells are rung

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;
holy is the Lord God almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;
holy is the Lord God almighty,
who was, and is and is to come.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!**

**Blessed, blessed, blest the one who comes;
Blest the one who comes in the Lord's name.
Blessed, blessed, blest the one who comes;
Blest the one who comes in the Lord's name.
who was, and is and is to come.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!**

arr. Anne Harrison A&M 661, melody unknown

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

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 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)

Giving of Communion

**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

Hymn 290

Please stand

We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes, and the sunshine,
and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.*

He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.
All good gifts...

We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.
All good gifts...

Matthias Claudius (1740-1815) tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)

The Blessing

May God our creator
who clothe the lilies and feeds the birds of the air
bestow on you his care
and increase the harvest of your righteousness;
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

A minister says

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

Please note all notices for next Sunday need to be sent to the Parish Office by 6pm on Monday evening please.

Please join us for refreshments, served at the back of church. If you can, please donate to the coffee fund using the jar provided or card reader. 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 Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday September 27th: The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am All Age Harvest Eucharist

President: The Revd Martin Little

Preacher: The Revd Martin Little

Organist: The Revd Canon David Knight

Monday September 28th: Wedding of Hannah and Rayan

Wednesday September 30th: Funeral of Kate Larminie

Sunday October 4th: The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am All Age Harvest Eucharist

President: The Revd Martin Little

Deacon: The Revd Canon Margaret Whipp

Preacher: The Revd Canon Margaret Whipp

Organist: Andrew Patterson

6pm Sung Evensong

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

Building Form Foundations Appeal: bank details. Thank you so much to everyone who has generously donated and/or pledged already towards

repairing our leaking roof and repayment of the buildings loan. An update is coming! There's still time to donate: collect a form from the back of church. Please make sure you use the reference: 'Building 2026 appeal'

Harvest Festival flowers Thank you for the generous donations made to the flower fund last week. Our thanks to the Flower team for making the Church look so beautiful today.

You can donate to the flower fund at any time for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. Please ring Margaret Woodcock 01865 761588.

Next Churchyard working party will be on **Saturday 17th October 10-12** noon. All are welcome with no gardening knowledge necessary. Please contact Susan Houlton for more information Tel Ox 744896

Readers and Intercessors at 10am Sunday Eucharist : Group meeting on Wednesday 30 September: in church 7.30 p.m. – please sign up

The first 'training' session for aspiring, new and established readers and intercessors will take place on Wednesday 30 September. There will be a parallel afternoon session on a date yet to be decided.

Please sign the list at the back of church to confirm that you would like to attend.

This time, we'll be covering some general points and also using three short Bible passages to focus our discussion. I'll send you the passages in advance.

If you are already on the rota, I have your email address, but if you are interested in discovering more before you commit yourself, you are most welcome to come along, in which case please either include your email address when you sign the list or email it to me at jldf.hart@btinternet.com.

Stephen and I look forward to seeing you!

Julia Hart

Julian Group. The October meeting will be on **Friday 2nd October at 2.30 pm at 6 Quarry Hollow, Headington Quarry.** 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**

Coffee Morning @The Coach House on Friday 2nd October 10.30-12.30. All Welcome for a "cuppa" cake and a chat. This is sponsored by Quarry WI, Holy Trinity Church and Local Councillors. No charge but donations accepted.

We are a friendly group and you will be made very welcome. Contact Margaret Taylor for details. Ox 765051

Weekend Retreat There are just two places left on a weekend retreat at the Old Parsonage Freeland led by our own Revd Rob Gilbert on 16th-18th

October. The 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.

Accommodation and all catering are included in the £185 charge for the weekend. To book please contact Revd Jean King at oxfordretreat@yahoo.co.uk

'People's Emergency Briefing' a film on the climate and nature crisis is being screened at Brookes University on **Weds. October 7th, 6.00-8.00**. Entry is free, all are welcome. A discussion will follow the film. To book, use the QR code on posters in church, the Coach house and on the HTHQ notice board, and also on fliers available from Hilary Rollin.

Pilgrimage for the Planet We would be delighted if you would join us for a pilgrimage walk around an area of Oxford to pray for our planet.

It starts outside Blackfriars Church in St. Giles, at 11am on **4th October** stopping to pray outside Barclays Bank, the Catholic Chaplaincy, Christchurch Cathedral, Riverside near Folly Bridge, Edgar George Wilson Memorial, Osney Lock Hydro and finishing at St. Frideswide church at about 2.30pm.

For more information, please contact me or OxfordCCA@gmail.com

Wheatley Windmill visit **on October 11th**. We now have a waiting list; It is worth signing up to this as even if we exceed the number of places allocated to us for climbing up the windmill, numbers for the walk are not limited. We shall leave Shotover Plain (the car park) at 12.15; bring your picnic lunch and water bottle. NB No stilettos, mules or flip flops allowed up the windmill ladder! Anthea or Hilary Rollin for Eco Church Group (Tel 01865 761545)

Can you help? HTHQ are hosting Cowley Deanery Synod on **November 10th** 7-9.30pm in church. We need volunteers to serve and provide light finger foods and teas and coffees. Please email or speak to Helen in the Parish Office if you can join the team of helpers offering hospitality or can offer food.

Lunch @The Coach House on Friday 16th October 11am-1.15pm Come and enjoy a bowl of Homemade soup and a roll with bacon/cheese or plain. Coffee/Tea is available before. All are welcome. No Charge but donations accepted. This is again sponsored by Quarry WI, Holy Trinity Church and Local Councillors. Contact Margaret Taylor for details (Ox 765051)

21-22 November 'Imagine Lewis': A Celebration of Spirituality and the Arts inspired by the legacy of C.S. Lewis. Please save the dates! We are delighted to have the internationally-acclaimed poet **Malcolm Guite** giving a talk and reading, as well as U.S. folk-rock band **WIND** performing live. If you

would like to be involved in this weekend, please speak to Revd Martin. Posters and fliers are now available at the back of church and the full programme is coming very soon! www.hthq.uk/imagine-lewis-weekend

New Host urgently needed for a 55 year old Ukrainian refugee who had previously lived at Diana Clews' house for 14 months. This is a funded place by Oxford City Council. For more information please email Diana Clews on dianaclews@hotmail.com Thank you.

This week's Eco Tip: As we near the end of the Season of Creation what better time could there be to take stock and consider plans for our garden/ outdoor pot plants/ allotment for next year, bearing in mind the changing climate. Some ideas: mulch the soil to retain water, create a wildlife-friendly environment to encourage birds and pollinators, instal additional water butts, plant drought-resistant species?
Hilary Rollin (Eco Church Group)

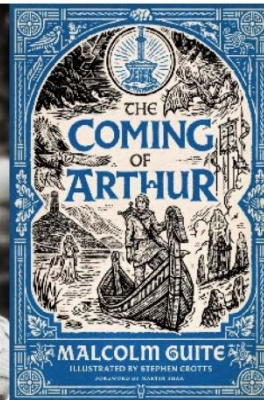
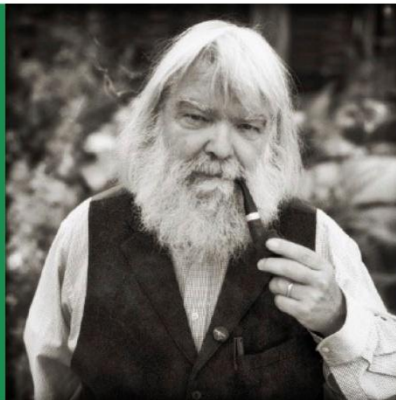
Pastoral care team Are you in need of support or would you like to talk to someone? We rely on you to let us know of anyone who is ill, or in hospital or who might welcome a visit from a member of the team. Please contact the clergy or the Parish Office in the first instance.

Imagine Lewis...



a celebration of the arts and spirituality
inspired by the legacy of C.S. Lewis

Keynote speaker:
Malcolm Guite on
'Lewis and Logres'
and reading from the
new volume of his
Arthurian epic



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Tickets & info: www.hthq.uk/imagine-lewis-weekend/





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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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please note my day off is Friday

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