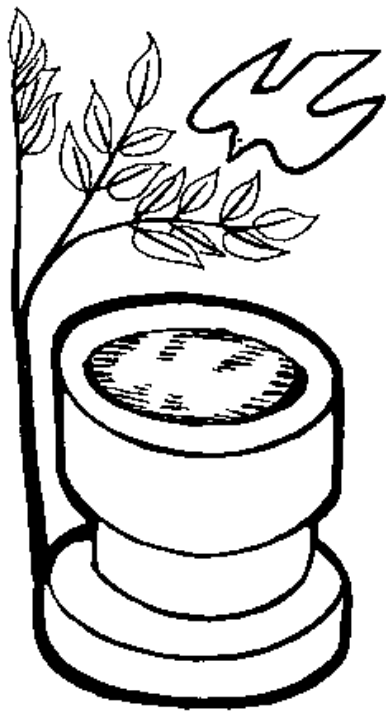


Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry



Parish Eucharist with the Baptism of

Enid Daphne Joan Hill

15th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 17th September 2023, 10am

Words of welcome. During the first hymn, children are welcome to join the Forest Sunday School taking place outdoors.

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)

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

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

The Greeting

Introduction

The minister introduces the service

At our Lord's baptism in the river Jordan
God showed himself to all who have eyes to see
and ears to hear.

The Father spoke from heaven, the Spirit descended as a dove
and Jesus was anointed with power from on high.

Here is the door of faith,
through which we enter the kingdom of heaven.

As children of God, we are adopted as his sons and daughters,
and called out to proclaim the wonders of him
who called us out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

The Collect

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened heaven's gate and revealed yourself as Father
by the voice that called Jesus your beloved Son,
baptizing him, in the power of the Spirit:
reveal yourself to us now, to claim us as your children,
and so complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
in the waters of the new creation;
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.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit

First Reading: Isaiah 9. 2,3,6,7

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you

as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
and he is named
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
His authority shall grow continually,
and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
He will establish and uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time onwards and for evermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the gradual hymn and gospel procession. Please turn to face the procession.

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 8th century, tr. Mary E. Byrne & Eleanor H. Hull

Gospel Reading

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

Gospel reading: John 1.14, 16-18

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

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

Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

The Liturgy of Baptism

Presentation of Enid for Baptism

Enid is introduced to the congregation

The minister addresses the whole congregation:

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.
We thank God for Enid who has come to be baptised today.
Christ loves her and welcomes her into his Church.
So I ask you all:

Will you support Enid as she begins his journey of faith?

We will.

Will you help her to live and grow within God's family?

We will.

The minister then addresses the parents and godparents

God knows each of us by name and we are his.
Parents and godparents, you speak for Enid today.
Will you pray for her, and help her to follow Christ?

We will.

The Decision

The minister addresses Enid through her parents and godparents

We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.
In baptism we respond to his call.
Therefore I ask:

Do you turn away from sin?

I do.

Do you reject evil?

I do.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I do.

Do you trust in him as Lord?

I do.

Signing with the Cross

The minister makes the sign of the cross on Enid's forehead

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed of Christ.
You are his for ever.

**Stand bravely with him
against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

Prayer over the Water

*The baptism party gathers at the font.
Please stand and turn to face the font.*

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

We praise you, loving Father,
for the gift of your Son Jesus.
He was baptised in the River Jordan,
where your Spirit came upon him
and revealed him as the Son you love.
He sent his followers
to baptise all who turn to him.
Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water,
that those who are baptised in it
may be cleansed in the water of life,
and, filled with your Spirit,
may know that they are loved as your children,
safe in Christ for ever.

Amen.

Profession of Faith

Let us affirm our common faith in Jesus Christ.

**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.**

Baptism

Enid, I baptise you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

May God, who has received you by baptism
into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.
Amen.

The baptism party return to the front of the church.

Commission

The minister addresses the congregation, parents, and godparents with words of commission

Enid, today God has touched you with his love
and given you a place among his people.
God promises to be with you in joy and in sorrow,
to be your guide in life, and to bring you safely to heaven.
In baptism God invites you on a life-long journey.
Together with all God's people
you must explore the way of Jesus
and grow in friendship with God,
in love for his people,
and in serving others.
With us you will listen to the word of God
and receive the gifts of God.

The Welcome and Peace

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Enid, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.
**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

*We welcome Enid with a round of applause!
The president introduces the Peace*

If anyone is in Christ,
there is a new creation.
The old has passed away;
the new has come.

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.

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need:

*Natalia Stoneman, Jemima, Naomi Lawrence,
Kate Samuel, Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta,
Polly Friedhoff, Bob Southgate, Benji, Margaret Whipp, Astrid Brooke,
Caroline Winwood, Penny Champion, Doreen Jarvis.*

Those who have died recently:

*Pauline Callow, Delia Foster, Martin Davis, Jim Godfrey,
Rosemary Herklots.*

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

*Lily Mannion, Roger Turrell, Edith Covey, Richard Field,
Harold Lockett, Jack Spriggs.*

These responses may be used

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

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

Hymn 739

Please stand

Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
to keep us in his grace,

and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world in the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Nun Danket, trans. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

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 now we give you thanks
because by water and the Holy Spirit
you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord;
you raise us to new life in him
and renew in us the image of your glory.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

**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!**

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 [*N 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

slowly

Be - hold the Lamb of God, be - hold the Lamb of God. He
Be - hold the Lamb, the Lamb of God. He
takes a-way the sin, the sin of the world.
takes a - way the sin of the world.

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. Please follow the directions of the steward and follow the one-way system back to your seat. Those sitting towards the back will be invited to come forwards first. If you are wearing a mask, it is most practical if you remove it before receiving communion. The chalice is being administered from the Lady Chapel step. If you wish to receive the chalice, please hold the base of the chalice and guide it towards your lips – the person administering the chalice will not let go of it in the process. 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 725

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt true faith in you.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, let me bring your light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy. *O Master ...*

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all men that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life. *O Master ...*

Sebastian Temple (1928-1997) from a prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Prayer after Communion

God of glory,
you inspire us with the breath of life
which brought to birth a new world in Christ.
May we who are reborn in him
be transformed by the renewal of our lives,
that the light of your new creation
may flood the world with your abundant grace;
through 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 757

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go;
from the old things to the new,
keep me traveling along with you:

*And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me traveling along with you.*

Round the corners of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me.

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me traveling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know.

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough;
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me traveling along with you.

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me;
ever old and ever new,
keep me traveling along with you.

Sydney Carter (1915-2004)

The Blessing

God, who in his Christ gives us a spring of water
welling up to eternal life,
perfect in you the image of his glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Giving of a Lighted Candle

Enid receives her baptism candle.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has
given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**Shine as a light in the world,
to the glory of God the Father.**

The Dismissal

Go in the light and peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it. We no longer pass the collection plate around during the service, but you are welcome to use the collection plate at the back of church, or the contactless machine, if you would like to make a donation to support the work of our church. If you would like to sign up to regular monthly giving, please visit www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church for more information.

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Notices: September 17th

Sunday September 17th: Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

Baptism of Enid Hill

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: Monday to Thursday at 9am

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

Sunday September 24th: Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School.

2023: A time to build: Exciting Updates!

Start date Our anticipated start date for the building work is **Monday 2nd October**. The work is expected to take nine months, and we hope to remain in the church building for as much of this time as possible. We hope to share regular updates on the progress of the work via the notices and email list.

Finance

We are able to forwards with our project thanks to the generous support of individual donors, grant bodies, and a loan from Methodist Chapel Aid. Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed to our fundraising campaign, and to everyone who has supported the process with their prayers. We still need to raise money to repay our loan, and so our fundraising will continue for as long as needed. If you haven't yet been able to send in a pledge form, we would love to hear from you! We hope that everyone who has sent in a pledge has now been contacted. Please do contact David Knight in the first instance (contact details from the parish office) if you have not heard about this.

If you would like to make a donation directly into our building fund account, the details are:

Account name: HTHQ

Sort Code: 20-65-20.

Account no: 83117634 (Please include your name as a reference)

Graves and memorials The vicar and churchwardens are keen to ensure that all those who tend graves or memorials in the churchyard are able to have any questions or concerns they have with regards to the building works answered where possible and kept in touch with the development's progress. If this applies to you or anyone else you know please let Helen in the Parish Office have the contact details so that you can be kept in touch with any relevant information. office@hthq.uk or 762931 Tues - Thurs 8.30 – 12 noon only.

Prayer requests Please continue to hold the project in your prayers. As the psalmist writes: 'unless the Lord builds the house, those who labour build it in vain' (Psalm 127.1). We ask you all to pray especially for wisdom for our architect and contractors, and for peaceful relations with our neighbours and local residents affected by the work.

God of vision and hope,
we thank you for our church building;
a place of prayer and pilgrimage,

witnessing to your love and presence in our midst.
We pray for our plans to develop the building
to further the work of your kingdom in this and future generations.
We pray for the guidance, resources and skills we need
to bring the project to completion,
and that we would be united in vision and focus
as we work towards this goal,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Cornerstone. Amen.

Welcome Tea: Today! 3pm-4.30pm.

The vicar and churchwardens warmly invite you to a welcome tea today in the Vicarage garden (weather depending). This is an opportunity for new members of the church to find out more about church life in a friendly and informal setting (over tea and cake!). Just let Laura know if you'd like to come along today.

The **Archway Foundation** is running a Volunteer Training course for potential new Volunteers on **Saturday 16th September**. Volunteering can be a hugely rewarding activity (with proven health benefits). You can make a difference even for just an hour or two a week, by listening and talking to or visiting someone who is lonely, or by helping out at social groups & events. Training, support, and travel expenses are provided. To find out more just email anna@archwayfoundation.org.uk or call 01865790552.

The Parish Office is closed and will reopen on **Tuesday 19th September**.

World's Biggest Coffee Morning. As usual I will be hosting a coffee morning and bring and buy sale in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Care** on **Friday September 29th between 10 am and 12 pm at 3 Barton Road, Headington, Oxford OX3 9JB**. Contact for further details Sheila Allcock, 01865 769630.

Autumn Churchyard Tidy up Saturday 7th October 10am-12noon.

We welcome anyone who feels they can help on this day (even for an hour) with weeding and tidying some graves and also Ivy off the walls. Tea, Coffee and Cake will be provided for a break.

Please let either Margaret or Janet (Wardens) know, or if you have any questions. Otherwise just turn up if you can and help us to try and maintain the peaceful church yard that we have.

The Eco Group would like to share some great news. Holy Trinity has been awarded A Rocha's Eco Church Silver Award. Congratulations and thanks are due to the many church members whose efforts have brought about this wonderful result. (Hilary Rollin for Eco Group).

Save the Date: Autumn Talks Series - Environment Matters.

Weds 11 October: Extraordinary Shotover: History, Flora, Fauna and Climate Change. Jim Woods of Shotover Preservation Society entertains us with a wealth of fascinating information.

Venue for both talks: 7.30 in the Coach House, Quarry Road, Headington, OX3 8NU. Do please come, and bring friends. Details of subsequent talks will follow. Hilary Rollin (for Holy Trinity Eco Group)

Asylum Welcome *Please do not leave any fresh produce or fruit and vegetables but donate eg cooking oil, tinned tomatoes, milk (UHT) and tinned fish. Please put items in the crate at the back of church. You can find a list of all the items that are needed on this page: <https://www.asylum-welcome.org/food/>. Thank you for your support.*

Eco Resources List: To view the August/September recommended resources go to: <https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/> (Hilary Rollin, Eco Church Group)

Eco Tips Eco Tip of the Week: Find plastic-free alternatives (i.e. brown paper bag, or loose) when buying fruit and vegetables. Encourage suppliers of fruit and vegetables to go plastic-free. (Hilary Rollin for 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, or Anne Tarassenko.

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

*An open door between heaven and earth,
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:

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