Holy Trinity Headington Quarry



Fifth Sunday After Trinity 30th June 2024

Hymn 754

During the opening hymn, children are welcome to join the forest Sunday school taking place outside.

O worship the King, all glorious above; O gratefully sing his power and his love; our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space; his chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

O measureless Might, ineffable love, while angels delight to hymn thee above, thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

Robert Grant (1779-1838) based on Psalm 104

The president says

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

The Greeting

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

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen

The president says

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of God's kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God in heaven, peace to those who love him well; on the earth let all his people speak his grace, his wonders tell: Lord, we praise you for your glory, mighty Father, heaven's king; hear our joyful adoration and accept the thanks we bring.

Only Son of God the Father,
Lamb who takes our sin away,
now with God in triumph seated
for your mercy, Lord, we pray:
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,
Saviour, you are God alone
in the glory of the Father
with the Spirit: Three-in-One!

Tune: Ode to Joy.

The Collect

Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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: 2 Corinthians 8.7-end

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

But thanks be to God who put in the heart of Titus the same eagerness for you that I myself have. For he not only accepted our appeal, but since he is more eager than ever, he is going to you of his own accord. With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the churches for his proclaiming of the good news; and not only that, but he has also been appointed by the churches to travel with us while we are administering this generous undertaking for the glory of the Lord himself and to show our goodwill. We intend that no one should blame us about this generous gift that we are administering, for we intend to do what is right not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of others. And with them we are sending our brother whom we have often tested and found eager in many matters, but who is now more eager than ever because of his great confidence in you. As for Titus, he is my partner and co-worker in your service; as for our brothers, they are messengers of the churches, the glory of Christ. Therefore, openly before the churches, show them the proof of your love and of our reason for boasting about you.

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

Please stand.

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.



'Pilgrim's Alleluia': Hymn 377

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

Gospel reading: Mark 5. 21-end

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?" ' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came

to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

Sermon

Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Nicene Creed

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel. The following response may be used:

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need:
Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate,
Benji, Caroline Winwood, Enid Owens, Pam, Margaret Bastock,
Madeline Tarrant.

Those who have died recently:

Astrid Brooke, Monica Scroggie, Natalia Stoneman, Naomi Lawrence, Barbara Deane.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Mark Clare, Phoebe Jane Stockford.

And at the end

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

Please stand

To crown all things there must be love to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

A minister says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of Peace

Hymn 588

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Saviour's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies! Who can explore his strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds enquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above -so free, so infinite his grace -emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; thine eye diffused a quickening ray;

I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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

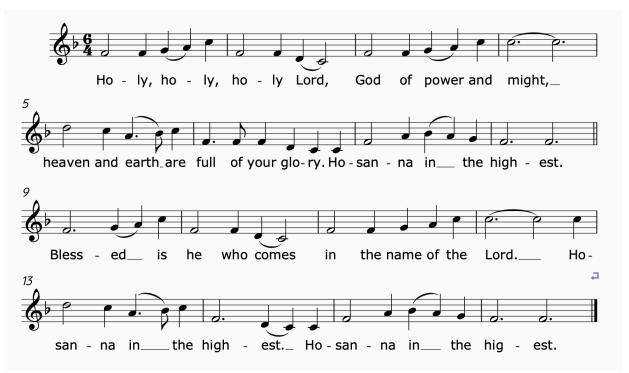
The Lord be with you and also with you.

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:



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.

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

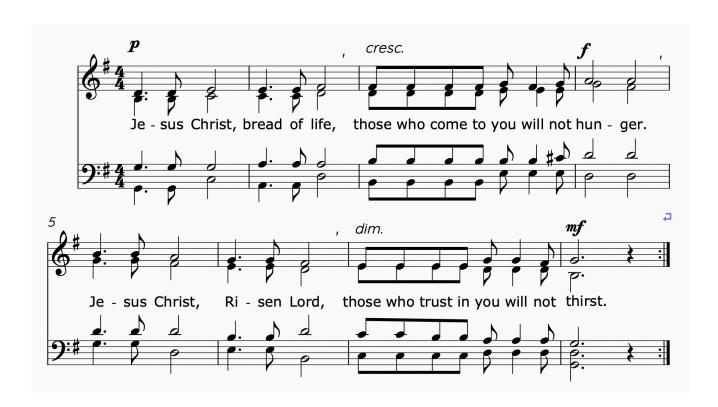
Please sit or kneel

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.



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. With the North aisle inaccessible, you will be directed down and back up the central aisle. To make this as smooth as possible, please allow everyone in your pew to come out before queueing. Those sitting towards the back on each side will be invited to come forwards first.

If you are wearing a mask, it is most practical if you remove it before receiving communion. 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 321 (in celebration of Petertide)

Thou art the Christ, O Lord, the Son of God most high: for ever be adored

that name in earth and sky, in which, though mortal strength may fail, the saints of God at last prevail.

O surely he was blest with blessedness unpriced, who, taught of God, confessed the Godhead in the Christ; for of thy church, Lord, thou didst own thy saint a true foundation-stone.

Thrice fallen, thrice restored, the bitter lesson learnt, that heart for thee, O Lord, with triple ardour burnt.
The cross he took he laid not down until he grasped the martyr's crown.

O bright triumphant faith,
O courage void of fears,
O love most strong in death,
O penitential tears!
By these, Lord, keep us lest we fall,
And make us go where thou shalt call.

William Walsham How (1823-1867)

Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sending Out

Please stand

Hymn 498

Lord, thy church on earth is seeking thy renewal from above; teach us all the art of speaking with the accent of thy love. We would heed thy great commission: 'Go now into every place — preach, baptize, fulfil my mission, serve with love and share my grace'.

Freedom give to those in bondage, lift the burdens caused by sin. Give new hope, new strength and courage, grant release from fears within. Light for darkness; joy for sorrow; love for hatred; peace for strife: these and countless blessings follow as the Spirit gives new life.

In the streets of every city where the bruised and lonely dwell, let us show the Saviour's pity, let us of his mercy tell; to all lands and peoples bringing all the richness of thy word, till the world, thy praises singing, hails thee Christ, Redeemer, Lord.

Hugh Sherlock (1905-1998)

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.

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Please join us for refreshments in the Coach House!
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.

Notices: June 30th

Please read the weekly notices to find out about upcoming events and services. 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.

Sunday June 30th: The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: 9am Monday and Tuesdays in the Coach House.

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

Sunday July 7th: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

The Parish Office is closed and will reopen at 9am on Tuesday 16th July.

Housekeeping matters during the building work: Please kindly note that toilet facilities are available at the Coach House, and the vestry is now strictly out of use. Seating is more restricted inside the church - please be considerate when choosing a pew and allow space for latecomers if possible (please consider filling up from the front!). The back pews are reserved for children and families attending Sunday school. In the event of an emergency, fire exits are at the main church door and the chancel door.

We are so grateful that the building work is progressing smoothly and to plan! We all look forward in faith and hope to the completion of the works in 2024. 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.

Coffee Morning in the Coach House – Friday 5th July 10.30am-12.30pm-All welcome to join us for a Coffee, Tea and Cake and company. LIGHT LUNCH in the Coach House – Friday 19th July – 11am-1.30pm- All are welcome to join us for Soup , a roll , cake and company. These are sponsored by Quarry WI for the community, feel free to come and join us.

Julian Group. The July meeting will be on **Friday 5th July at 2.30 pm at 3 Barton Road, Headington.** 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**

Headington Quarry Village Hall is having a fete on Sunday **7th July 11am till 7pm** please come and support lots of local organisations.

Also please let Frances Farrar or Roz Smith know if you would like to run a stall, for the church.

End of term celebration: Taylor Swift Dance Party All are welcome, young and young-at-heart, to join us on **Saturday 13 July 4.30pm-6.30pm** for a Taylor Swift party in the Coach House. Themed outfits optional!

Save the date: Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th September

This open weekend will be an opportunity to explore and celebrate our completed building work. On Saturday 14th September our church will be open to all from 10am to 4pm serving refreshments and showing displays on the theme of Holy Trinity's past, present, and future! During this time a Narnia trail will be available for children and families. That evening at 7pm will be a concert, showcasing some of the musical talent in our community.

On Sunday 15th September, we are delighted that the Bishop of Oxford will be joining us for our 10am Parish Eucharist to bless our church building following completion of the building works. The Bishop will also be confirming several members of our congregation during this service. **If you are interested in exploring confirmation**, please get in touch with any of our clergy.

HTHQ175 A group has been formed to make plans for the parish to celebrate in the autumn the completion of the church building work, and the 175th anniversary of its consecration. We would like to create a photographic history of the people and events that have taken place at Holy Trinity over the years. If you have photographs of family/community events at the church that you would be willing to share with us please could you let the wardens know, and provide a copy with the event and date added. Thank you. Janet Masters

Hearing Loop Update: our loop system had to be disconnected during the work on the west end of church, we are really pleased that the contractors have found a way to reinstate it and it is now functioning. Please have a chat with a welcomer or one of the sound team if you are having problems.

This week's Eco Tips: We are likely all to have different ideas about the role we can play in addressing biodiversity. Might discussing them with one someone lead us to converting ideas into action? Maybe you went in for No Mow May, but what now? Harvesting seeds of insect-loving plants for next year? Providing water for birds? A bird bath? Or a garden pond? Hilary Rollin, Eco Group

Eco Resources Summer 2024

If you are looking for information on ECO matters, you might like to follow the link below for ideas on book titles, links to Zoom sessions (live and recorded), talks etc.

Go to: https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/

Hilary Rollin, Eco Group

Pastoral care team Are you in need of support or would you like to talk to someone? We rely on you to let us know of anyone who is ill, or in hospital or who might welcome a visit. Please contact any of the clergy (numbers on back page) or Helen Day, Janet Masters, 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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