Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry



Remembrance Sunday 10th November 2024

Words of welcome

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

Hymn 584

Please stand

All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew. Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray his trust; what with care and toil he buildeth, tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought: splendour, light, and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

> *Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930) based on Meine Hoffnung stehet feste, by Joachim Neander (1650-1680)*

The Greeting

The president says

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

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

We meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace. We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride, its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds. Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.

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.

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 to God, we give you thanks and praise Of heavenly joy and earthly peace we sing. We worship you, to you our hearts we raise, Lord God, Almighty Father, heavenly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son, You bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of God, your glorious victory won, Receive our prayer, grant us your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, you are the only Lord, At God's right hand, in majesty most high. Who with the Spirit, worshipped and adored With all the heavenly host, we glorify.

Tune: 'Woodlands'

Let us pray

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Micah 4.1-8

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob: that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees. and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god,but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.On that day, says the LORD,I will assemble the lame

I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away, and those whom I have afflicted. The lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the LORD will reign over them in Mount Zion now and for evermore.

And you, O tower of the flock, hill of daughter Zion, to you it shall come, the former dominion shall come, the sovereignty of daughter Jerusalem.

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

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.



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

Gospel reading: John 15. 12-17

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

Sermon

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

Please stand

Affirmation of faith

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.

These responses are used:

May God give peace God give peace

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need: Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate, Benjie, Caroline Winwood, Enid Owens, Pam, Madeline Tarrant, Veronika, Kenneth Sanders. *Those who have died recently: Benedict Alexis, Arthur Miller, Robert Twycross, Adam Owen.*

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Cynthia Jacobs, Florence Bartlett, John Gosler, Bruce Crowther.

And at the end

So be it. **Amen**

The Peace

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.'

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

Preparation of the Table

Hymn 746

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same. A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; They fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) based on Psalm 90

As bread and wine are raised:

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

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.

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.

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!

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

This is God's table and all are welcome. Please follow the directions of the stewards. We will form two lines to receive communion – the bread is distributed from the chancel step, and the wine is distributed from the lady chapel step. Please return to your pew via the north aisle. Stewards will be on hand to direct you!

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 587

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound) that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come: 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease: I shall possess, within the veil, a life of joy and peace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine; but God, who called me here below, will be forever mine.

John Newton (1725-1807)

Prayer after Communion

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

Procession to the War Memorial

We welcome members of 7th Headington Brownies who will lead us out to the war memorial for the Act of Remembrance. Please follow the procession and filter out from the back of church first.

Act of Remembrance

We remember with thanksgiving all those whose lives, in world wars and in conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away. In particular we remember all those in this parish who have given their lives in the two World Wars, and pray that we may be worthy of the sacrifices made on our behalf.

The names of those from Headington Quarry who died in the two World Wars are read out.

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.

We will remember them.

The Last Post is played

Silence is kept

The Reveille is played

The Kohima Epitaph is said

When you go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today.

A wreath of poppies is laid on the War Memorial by a member of Holy Trinity Church.

Members of 7th Headington Brownies place their tributes on the war memorial.

Prayers

For the Departed

Eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For the Peace of the World

O God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

For all Armed Forces

O God, we pray for armed forces of all nations: give them courage and comfort in hardship and danger. May their efforts and sacrifices be made in the cause of justice and peace; to the honour of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For pacifists and conscientious objectors

We pray for those with a different vision of how peace will come to our world. We pray for those who have taken a stand as pacifists and conscientious objectors that their work, too, may contribute to the peace of the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Act of Commitment

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? **We will.**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? **We will.**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity? **We will.**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer. **Amen.**

The National Anthem

God save our gracious King! Long live our noble King! God save the King! Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us, God save the King.

The Blessing

May God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to all humanity, peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

The **Dismissal**

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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Please join us for refreshments, served at the back of church. 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. 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 <u>www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church</u> for more information.

Notices: November 10th

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 November 10th: Remembrance Day

8am Holy Communion President: Revd Laura Biron-Scott 10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School President: Revd Laura Biron-Scott Preacher: Revd Laura Biron-Scott Deacon: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex Organist: Andrew Patterson 10.45 am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: 9am Tuesday and Thursdays in the Lady Chapel Midweek Communion: 10am Wednesdays

Sunday November 17th: The Second Sunday before Advent

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

Please note that from November, our **pattern of Morning Prayer** will be shifting to **Tuesday and Thursday** mornings at 9am. This will enable us to keep a steady pattern of worship into the vacancy. All the books for morning prayer are available in the Lady Chapel for use by anyone – you are welcome to use these for prayer with or without clergy present.

A prayer for the end of the project:

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 thank you for guiding us through to the completion of the building project. Keep us united in vision and focus as we celebrate this milestone, and grant us your peace. in the name of Jesus Christ our Cornerstone. Amen.

Robert Twycross's funeral will be held at All Saints Highfield in Lime Walk on Friday 15th November at 10.30am. All are welcome to attend.

Date for your diary Laura's last service at Holy Trinity will be the **10am** Service on **November 24th**. There will be a lunch celebration in church after the service, you can sign up to bring food at the back of church.

Advent Carol Service a service of readings and music for Advent will be

held at **6pm on Sunday 1 December**. All are welcome as we look forward in hope to the coming of Christ.

Posada 2024. What is Posada all about? During the evenings leading up to Christmas Day, a nativity set of Mary and Joseph travel around the parish, visiting a different member of our church family every night. This provides a great opportunity to meet new church members or get to know others a little better as you transport Mary and Joseph to the next home on the rota. There is a prayer to say as you welcome them into your home and as you set them off on their journey to the next one. If you would like to offer Mary and Joseph a home for the night this Advent, please contact Helen Dancer at <u>helen@nsolve.com</u> or phone: 07854173016 (text probably best), giving me suitable dates and I will add you to the rota. I have also given Helen Day access to the rota (Parish Office), so you can contact her to take part. I will have the rota with me in church, so catch me after the service to sign up. I hope there will be room in your inn this year! Helen Dancer

Christingle oranges for many years Waitrose Headington have donated 200 oranges for our two special Christingle Services on Christmas Eve in aid of the Childrens Society. This year they are unable to do so and we would like to ask if any member of the congregation feels able to fill this gap by making this their own Christmas charitable donation please could they contact Helen Day in the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Church Cleaning team members needed Now that the extension is complete, and we have more space to keep clean, we are looking for people to augment the cleaning teams. We currently have teams of 2, who clean every 5th week. Could you help in this role? If so please speak to Janet Masters or the wardens to find out more to see if you can help out.

HTHQ 175 Talking History the HTHQ175 committee have put together a programme of talks celebrating Holy Trinity's 175th Anniversary year: **Wednesday 4 December** Blessed Virgin Mary Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex **Wednesday 8 January** C.S. Lewis's Oxford Prof Simon Horobin *Further dates to be announced.*

The evening begins with refreshments at 6.45pm, the talk beginning at 7pm, and discussions close at 7.45pm. All are welcome in church.

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe is coming to Aylesbury Waterside Theatre in **2025**! I have reserve seats for **Saturday 11th October 2025 at 2pm** seat cost £28 each please let me know if you're interested as a deposit will have to paid by Christmas. Frances Farrar. - frances.farrar23@gmail.com **Laura to leave Holy Trinity.** All who attend worship at Holy Trinity, and all who listen to broadcasts of our services whether at home or from hospital, will welcome the good news that the building work has very nearly been completed. We, therefore, feel great gratitude to our Vicar, the Revd. Laura Biron-Scott, whose faith, prayerfulness, perseverance, dedication and capacity to get along with other people, have guided us safely to so happy a conclusion. However, one of Laura's predecessors at Holy Trinity used to say that the reward for good work is more work, and that proves to be true in Laura's case as well. Laura will, in fact, be leaving the Parish at the end of November to take on a role of ministry in an academic environment as Chaplain of Balliol College, Oxford. So our joy is tinged with sadness at her departure, but a sadness relieved by the thought that she will remain close by and we still might hope to see her from time to time. We ask for God's blessing upon Laura and we pray for her ministry in her new calling.

Tots Mornings open to all babies, toddlers, and preschoolers in term time in the Coach House on **Tuesdays**. Stay & Play will be 10-11am and Story & prayers 11am – 11.15am. No need to book just come along. All are welcome.

Hearing Loop Update: we're very sorry that our loop system is not working at the moment. We expect to have it back in action by the end of the month. Our sincere apologies for the inconvenience.

This week's Eco Tips: Autumn or early Winter is the best time to clean our bird boxes, or install new ones. Hint: why not add bird boxes to the Christmas list? Nesting may seem way off, but some birds like to prospect before deciding where to nest. *Hilary Rollin, Eco Group*

Eco Talk this Thursday, November 14th: Judy Webb, local ecologist and Chair of Friends of Lye Valley will give a presentation on **Restoring the rare** *Lye Valley fen,* this precious asset, right on our doorstep. Venue: The Coach House, starting at **7.30pm**, with refreshments at 7.15pm. Hilary Rollin, HTHQ Eco Group

Eco Resources Autumn/Winter 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. Hilary Rollin, Eco Church Group Go to: <u>https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/</u>

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:

Contact us

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