

Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry

*A Journey Through Lent*

The Second Sunday of Lent

16th March 2025

The Gathering

Words of welcome.

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

Hymn 698i

King of glory, King of peace,
I will love Thee;
and that love may never cease,
I will move Thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing Thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied,
Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise Thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise Thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol Thee:
e'en eternity's too short
to extol Thee.

George Herbert (1593-1633)

The president says

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

God is able to provide us with every blessing in abundance,
so that by always having enough of everything,
we may share abundantly in every good work.

cf. 2 Corinthians 9.8

Let everything be said and done in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God through Jesus Christ.

Let us bring our gifts to the Lord

that they may be used for his glory.

May the Spirit of God fill our hearts

as we come to meet him in this place.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

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

Kyrie

Andante

10 Organ

mp Lord have mer-cy, Lord have mer-cy. *mf* Christ have

mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy. *mp* Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

The musical score is for a Kyrie in 3/4 time, marked Andante. It features two staves: the top staff is for Organ and the bottom staff is for voice. The organ part begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The vocal part begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: 'Lord have mer-cy, Lord have mer-cy. Christ have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.' Dynamic markings include *mp* (mezzo-piano) and *mf* (mezzo-forte).

The president says

The almighty and merciful Lord
grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray:

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Philippians 3.17-4.1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love

and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

Gospel Reading

Please remain standing.

Refrain

Praise to you, O Christ, our Sav-iour, Word of the Fa-ther, call-ing us to life;

5

Son of God who leads us to free-dom: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ! Christ!

10 Verse

You are the Word who calls us out of dark-ness; you are the Word who leads us in- to light;

14

you are the Word who brings us through the de-sert: glo-ry to you, Lord Je- sus Christ!

D.C.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff is the Refrain, starting with a treble clef, a sharp sign, and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "Praise to you, O Christ, our Sav-iour, Word of the Fa-ther, call-ing us to life;". The second staff starts at measure 5 and includes two first endings: "1." and "2.". The lyrics are: "Son of God who leads us to free-dom: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ! Christ!". The third staff starts at measure 10 and is labeled "Verse". The lyrics are: "You are the Word who calls us out of dark-ness; you are the Word who leads us in- to light;". The fourth staff starts at measure 14 and ends with a double bar line and "D.C.". The lyrics are: "you are the Word who brings us through the de-sert: glo-ry to you, Lord Je- sus Christ!".

The gospel is announced:

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

Gospel reading: Luke 13. 31-end

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem.'" Jerusalem,

Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

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

Sermon

Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

Let us declare our faith in God

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

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

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

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

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

These responses 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, Benjie, Pam, Madeline Tarrant, Owen Tollman, Hunter Merritt, Maureen, Elizabeth, Christine, Janet Lever.

Those who have died recently:

Kenneth Sanders, Mollie Wilson, Tony Buttolph, Enid Owens.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

Donald Jacobs, Hazel Roberts, Robert Nind, Frank Greenwood, Enid Day.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

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

The Peace

Please stand

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us access to his grace.
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 675

Immortal Love for ever full,
for ever flowing free,
for ever shared, for ever whole,
a never-ebbing sea.

Our outward lips confess the name
all other names above;
love only knoweth whence it came
and comprehendeth love.

We may not climb the heavenly steeps
to bring the Lord Christ down;
in vain we search the lowest deeps,
for him no depths can drown:

Through him the first fond prayers are said
our lips of childhood frame;
the last low whispers of our dead
are burdened with his name.

Alone, O Love ineffable,
thy saving name is given;
to turn aside from thee is hell,
to walk with thee is heaven.

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Blessed are you, Lord God of abundance:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of abundance:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

Please sit or stand as you are most comfortable

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 indeed right and good
to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.
For in these forty days
you lead us into the desert of repentance
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
we may grow in grace
and learn to be your people once again.
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word
you open our eyes to your presence in the world
and free our hands to welcome others
into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
 with joyful hearts and minds
 we bless you for your mercy
 and join with saints and angels
 for ever praising you and singing:

10 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of
 19 power and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bles-sed is he, O bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 28 Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
 and as we obey his command,
 send your Holy Spirit,
 that broken bread and wine outpoured
 may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
 and, taking bread, he praised you.
 He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
 Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
 do this in remembrance of me. *(Bells are rung)*

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
 Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
 Drink this, all of you;
 this is my blood of the new covenant,
 which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
 Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.
(Bells are rung)

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
 in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
 made once for all upon the cross.
 Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,

we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Christ is the bread of life

When we eat this bread and drink this cup we pro-claim your
10 death, Lord Je - sus, un - til you come in glo - ry, un - til you come in glo - ry.

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. A fermata is placed over the C5 note. The second staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It starts with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. A fermata is placed over the C5 note. The score includes dynamic markings: *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *ff* (fortissimo).

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel

As our saviour taught us, so we pray
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

8 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy_ on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy_ on
15 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, grant_ us peace.

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 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 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 124

From the deep places, hear my cry,
those hidden depths of guilt within:
O God of mercy, God Most High,
keep no account of all my sin.

Before your glory none can stand,
no mortal eye behold your face:
extend to me your kingly hand,
the sovereign touch of saving grace.

O Lord, in whom all needs are met,
draw near in love to me, I pray,
for on your word my hopes are set,
as watchmen wait for coming day.

As watchmen wait till dawn appears,
so God's redeeming love is shown;
to shed, unfailing through the years,
the dew of blessing on his own.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts
which may assault and hurt the soul;
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

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God for his gifts so generous given to us,
and for the blessings we each abundantly receive.

For the beauty of creation,
for the wonder of new life,
for all things seen and unseen.

We give you thanks, O God.

For the gift of life that you breathe into us,
for minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve.

We give you thanks, O God.

For our families and friends,
for all who we love and who love us,
for your image revealed through those around us.

We give you thanks, O God.

For life of your church,
its vibrancy and diversity,
for the mission in which we all share.

We give you thanks, O God.

For the vocations in which you call us,
for the skills which are nurtured and grow,
for our ministries in all walks of life.

We give you thanks, O God.

For all financial gifts offered to our church,
for blessings offered to be a blessing to others,
for sacrifices made to further mission
and enable us to be Christ in the world.

We give you thanks, O God.

For the generosity of this community,
for all who give their time and skills,
for the gifts which are built up and encouraged,
for acts which point beyond themselves and reveal your glory.

We give you thanks, O God.

For you, O God,
for your beauty revealed in all things around us,
for love and life everlasting.

We give you thanks, O God.

Source of all life and giver of all that is good,
make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy forever.

Amen.

Hymn 497

Please stand

Lord of the Church, we pray for our renewing:
Christ over all, our undivided aim.
Fire of the Spirit, burn for our enduing,
wind of the Spirit, fan the living flame!
We turn to Christ amid our fear and failing,
the will that lacks the courage to be free,
the weary labours, all but unavailing,
to bring us nearer what a church should be.

Lord of the Church, we seek a Father's blessing,
a true repentance and a faith restored,
a swift obedience and a new possessing,
filled with the Holy Spirit of the Lord!
We turn to Christ from all our restless striving,
unnumbered voices with a single prayer:
the living water for our souls' reviving,
in Christ to live, and love and serve and care.

Lord of the Church, we long for our uniting,
true to one calling, by one vision stirred;
one cross proclaiming and one creed reciting,
one in the truth of Jesus and his word.
So lead us on; till toil and trouble ended,
one Church triumphant one new song shall sing,
to praise his glory, risen and ascended,
Christ over all, the everlasting King!

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

The Blessing

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
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.

Voluntary: Andante in G Major- S.S. Wesley

Please do join us for refreshments at the back of church or in the warmer meeting room after the Service. 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: The Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday Mar 16th: The First Sunday of Lent

8am Holy Communion

President: Revd Jane Hedges

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

President: Revd Jane Hedges

Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Deacon: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Organist: Andrew Patterson

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: 9am Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Lady Chapel.

Sunday Mar 23rd: Third Sunday of Lent

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

Sunday Mar 30th: Mothering Sunday All Age Worship

A prayer for the vacancy:

God of vision and hope,
we thank you for all who have ministered here
throughout the history of this church.
In this time of vacancy,
may we continue to grow in love,
share in responsibility,
and seek your vision for our future,
in the name of Jesus Christ, our shepherd and our guide.
Amen.

Lent Course: Wednesdays in church 7-8pm with refreshments served from 6.45pm. Come along to explore together the landscape of prayer and reflect on how we can deepen our relationship with God.

Holy Communion classes any children or young people who have been baptised but are not yet ready to be confirmed are invited to join us in preparing to receive their first communion. We will meet on Sunday 23 March, Monday 24 March, and Friday 28 March, and first communion will be taken on Easter Sunday. If interested, please contact the curate, Emily.

Light Lunch at the Coach House - Friday 21st March 11-1.30pm

This is open to anyone and is sponsored mostly by WI . We are now in our 3rd year. The Light Lunch is homemade soup and a bacon/cheese roll, and this is preceded by coffee and biscuits. It is free but donations welcome. Come and join us as we are sure you will enjoy the friendly company and the good food. This lunch takes place the 3rd Friday of every month (Not April as it is Good Friday) Margaret Taylor (01865 765051)

Concert - Saturday April 5th – 2pm -4pm. A young talented violinist has offered to perform for us. She is local and would like to give something back to the community. Her name is Skye El-shirbiny and she is a pupil at the Royal Academy of Music, and attended the local schools. The concert will include pieces on the violin and is aiming to make this inclusive to families. There will be a refreshment interval and the concert is free, but donations to the church will be welcome.

Please put this date in your diary and come and bring any friend to support this lovely young musician who has made this offer.

Margaret Taylor (01865 765051)

HTHQ 175 Talking History

The HTHQ175 committee have put together a programme of talks celebrating Holy Trinity's 175th Anniversary year:

Wednesday 9 April Racial Justice Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Wednesday 7 May Morris Dancing Michael Herney

Wednesday 4 June Our changing church Revd Canon Dr Margaret Whipp

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

Our Community Café is now up and running: **9.30am-11.30am on Tuesday mornings**. All are welcome, and most especially families with young children, as the meeting room will be set up for tots to play.

This week's Eco Tips: We are entering Food Waste Action Week (March 17-23). This year the UK's biggest annual food waste reduction campaign is encouraging us to get talking about buying fruit and vegetables loose (not packaged). Buying items loose means buying the exact amount we need, reducing household food waste, and reducing plastic wrapping. It has been calculated that buying apples, bananas and potatoes loose would save 60.000 tons of food waste per year in the UK.

Hilary Rollin, Eco Group

Eco Resources for Spring 2025: For suggestions on information re Eco Matters, including reading material, links to Zoom sessions etc. go to: <https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources>

The Parish Office please send any notices for the week on Tuesdays or information requests by email only office@hthq.uk Many thanks.

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, Anne Tarassenko, or Ruth Wooldridge.



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Get involved in worship...



READING & PRAYING

The first reading and the prayers of intercession are always led by a member of the congregation.

SERVING

Our serving team help to prepare the altar, carry the cross, and support the clergy in leading services.

BELLRINGING

Our bells connect us to the community and are an audible witness to our worship.

SOUND SYSTEM TEAM

Volunteers enable us to broadcast our services on Radio Cherwell as well as making people heard in church.



For more information, contact office@hthq.uk

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As the Anglican parish in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst and Wood Farm, we are here for every local resident. Our church is open every day. We hope that you will find God's peace as you come to pray or just sit and rest awhile. If you have questions about the Christian faith or would like to find out more about church life, please get in touch:

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