Morning Prayer on Sunday 14th June 2020 1st Sunday after Trinity

Greeting

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

Hymn Before You I Kneel

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to seek the forgiveness of our sins, and to pray for the needs of the world, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

O Lord, open our lips, and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

Let us worship the Lord. All praise to his name.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, Creator of all, to you be glory and praise for ever. You founded the earth in the beginning and the heavens are the work of your hands. In the fulness of time, you made us in your image, and in these last days you have spoken to us in your Son Jesus Christ, the word made flesh. As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us let the light of your love always shine in our hearts, your Spirit ever renew our lives and your praises ever be on our lips.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

Confession

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1: 8-9

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

O God, our loving Father in heaven, we confess that we have sinned against you;

we have broken your commandments; we have often been selfish, and we have not loved you as we should.

For these, and all our sins, forgive us, we pray: through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Absolution

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon our path. c.f. Psalm 119:105

O Lord, your word is everlasting: it stands firm for ever in the heavens.

c.f. Psalm 119:89

Let us then receive the word of the Lord. so may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.

First Reading Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116: 1, 10-17

Glory to the Father, and | to the | Son, r and | to the | Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be|ginning, is | now r and shall be for | ever. | A|men.

Second Reading Matthew 9:35-10:8

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A Collect of the Word

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life, and defeat into victory: increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over evil, in the strength of the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Sermon

The Response to God's Word

The Apostles' Creed

- I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

For the hope at the heart of our faith

Living God,

we thank you today for the message of hope that lies at the heart of the gospel, the assurance that, whatever may seem to deny it, your love may emerge victorious. You have given us hope,

and hope does not disappoint us.

We thank you for your word of hope that runs through the Scriptures - your promise to Abraham that, through his offspring, all the world would be blessed, to Moses, that you would lead the Israelites out of Egypt and into the Promised Land, To Isaiah, that your people's exile in Babylon would be ended, to your prophets, that the Messiah would come, to the followers of Jesus, that he would rise again on the third day, to the disciples, that, as he had departed into heaven, so he would return. You have given us hope, and hope does not disappoint us.

We thank you that you fulfilled those promises, just as you said you would - your Son born from the line of Abraham, your chosen nation set free from slavery, your people returning joyfully to Jerusalem, your promised deliverer, born in Bethlehem, your power seen in the resurrection of Christ, and we thank you that in the fulness of time that final promise will also be fulfilled, your kingdom established when Jesus comes again in glory.

You have given us hope,

You have given us hope, and hope does not disappoint us.

We thank you for what that means for us today – that we can live each moment with confidence, and look forward with anticipation, whatever our circumstances may be, whatever times of testing may befall us.

Though dreams may be dashed and plans thwarted, though life may be hard and the future look bleak, we know that your steadfast love continues and your purpose endures, our trust not in things seen but in the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things unseen. You have given us hope, and hope does not disappoint us.

We join our prayers to the prayers of Christ for those we know who are ill or troubled. and for all your suffering children who are beyond our reach of mind: David, Kate, Richard, George and Thomas, John, Heather, Shirley, Ada and Myrtle, Eric and William, Gillian, Claire, Lorna, Jack, Audrey, Mark, Ben, Annette, Peter, Anna, Cyril, Rebecca, June, Linda, Brenda, Chloe, Wilber and Ruth, Mervyn, Gladys, Jackie and Yvonne, Billy, Betty, Pearl, Millie and Julie, Valerie, Courtney, Victor and Jenna, Noel, Paul and Jean, Denise and Estelle - we know that all are brought home to your heart in the prayers of Christ and in the silent intercessions of your Spirit, who comes from your deep heart to ours, and returns again to you with all our deepest longings.

You have given us hope, and hope does not disappoint us.

Living God,

we thank you that we can put our hand in yours, and walk where you lead us, confident that, though all else may fail, you will not, though heaven and earth pass away, your words will endure for ever. So we come in faith, with joyful hearts and in glad thanksgiving, to offer our worship, and to dedicate our lives once more to your service.

You have given us hope,

and hope does not disappoint us.

Receive our praise, in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

God,

the strength of all those who put their trust in you:

Mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, we are bold to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven:
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn The Perfect Wisdom of our God

Going Out as God's People

A Thanksgiving

The minister savs

Let us give thanks to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

For the love of our Father, the maker of all, the giver of all good things, let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lived and worked among us, let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For his suffering and death on the cross and his resurrection to new life, let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For his rule over all things and his presence in the world, let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For the Holy Spirit, the giver of life, who teaches us and guides us, let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For the grace of the Spirit in the work of the Church and the life of the world, let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

or

The minister says

Blessed are you, Holy God, creator, redeemer and life-giver; you have spoken the world into being and filled it with wonder and beauty.

For every blessing we have received we give you thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Holy God, for people of every language and culture and for the rich variety you give to life. For every blessing we have received we give you thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Holy God, for Jesus Christ our Saviour, truly divine and truly human, living and dying for us, and going before us into heaven.

For every blessing we have received we give you thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Holy God, for your Spirit, the fire of love burning in our hearts, bringing us to faith, and calling us to holiness in the Church and in the world.

For every blessing we have received we give you thanks and praise.

Be with us Lord, as we go out into the world. May the lips that have sung your praise always speak the truth; may the ears which have heard your Word listen only to what is good and may our lives as well as our worship be always pleasing in your sight,

The Collect of the Day and the Lord's Prayer are said if not used previously.

for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Blessing

Amen.

Let us say together:

A priest blesses the people with these or other suitable words
The God of hope
fill you with all joy and peace in believing:
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always.

Amen.

If no priest is present the Blessing is omitted and the following prayer may be said

The almighty and merciful Lord,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless us and keep us.

Amen.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

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