



THE PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to our Service today

And welcome if you are reading this at home

HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

9.30am Sung Eucharist

6 – New every morning

183 – Holy Spirit, come, confirm us

482 – Jerusalem the golden

502 – Light's abode, celestial Salem (omit vv 4&5)

Organ Music:

Before the service:

Allegro Moderato (Sonata No 2 in D major, Op 50) – *Alexandre Guilmant*

Adagio Molto (Sonata no 3 in C minor, Op 56) – *Alexandre Guilmant*

Hymn Prelude on 'Melcombe' – *Richard Knight*

At the Communion:

'The Peace may be exchanged' (Rubrics Suite) – *Dan Locklair*

Chorale Prelude on 'Melcombe' – *CHH Parry*

Voluntary: Grand Choeur in D (alla Handel) Op 18 – *Alexandre Guilmant*

THE COLLECT

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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.**

FIRST READING

Acts 16. 9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

GOSPEL READING

John 14. 23-29

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all

that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS – these are available for those who need them. Please let the welcomers know when you arrive and inform the priest when you come to receive Communion

HOLY TRINITY NOTICES

COPYING, PRINTING, POSTERS – please send to Netty on: beneficeoffice@htboa.org

HT FINANCE, PAYMENT REQUESTS ETC – please contact Klaus on treasurer@htboa.org

NOTICES FOR WEEKLY BULLETINS – please send any messages *by the end of a Wednesday* to Netty on: beneficeoffice@htboa.org

COMMUNITY CAFÉ – Wednesdays from 10am-12noon - weekly community café – coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided on a donation basis.

WEEKLY PRAYERS at noon every Thursday in the Saxon Church for Israel and Palestine using prayer from Sabeel based in Jerusalem, 11.50 - 12.10. Everyone warmly welcome.

BACT PRAYER MEETING – Thursday, 19 June, 7.30pm at Community Church. Please join us for an evening of praying for each other, our town and our country. Everyone welcome. Future date, 17 July at Bearfield Church.

MESSAGE FROM JENNY - Dear friends, We have several exciting services coming up, and we warmly invite you to join us for these. Tell all your friends! Do pick up one of our Eastertide pamphlets, which outline our services for Ascension Day, Pentecost, and Trinity Sunday and provide information about Thy Kingdom Come. Each service offers something special, a fresh glimpse of the height, depth, and breadth of God's love.

Ascension Day – Thursday, 29 May
(Benefice Services)

The Feast of the Ascension celebrates Christ's kingship and triumphant exaltation. An occasion full of Easter joy!

- Pilgrimage: A steady walk, starting at 9.00am from Holy Trinity to St Mary Tory, culminating in a Said Eucharist at 10.00am
- Ascension, Sung Eucharist: 6.30pm at Holy Trinity; delighted Bishop Robert will be preaching.

Pentecost – Sunday 8th June

Often called the Church's birthday, Pentecost is a joyful, Spirit-filled celebration! Come and see! All welcome.

- Join us at 9.30am for a service full of celebration and surprises. We're delighted that Bishop Robert will preside and preach for this service.

We're also excited to welcome Bishop John to our 9.30am service the following Sunday, 1 June. Of course, all are warmly invited to join us for Evensong at 6.00pm on that day too; it's a beautiful service at the close of the day.

As Holy Trinity grows, we would love for you to continue to invite family, friends, and neighbours from Bradford on Avon and beyond. The call to follow Jesus is a call to gather disciples. We look forward to welcoming all!

With thanks for your partnership in the gospel, Team Holy Trinity, Yours, Jenny

HUGE THANKS – to all PCCs and Churchwardens, Treasurers and Secretaries across the Benefice for successful and prayerful meetings.

PCC APPEAL - more helpers are sought to set up the church ready for the Eucharist. Currently, set-up duty is once every 5 weeks or so. If you are willing to help, please contact Mavis Linstrum.

HOLY TRINITY STREET MARKET – 5 July, 10am-4pm. Please help us raise funds for our Church. We need your contributions and your time. A sign-up sheet is available in church at the Crossing. Any questions, please contact David Hare davidahare596@gmail.com. This week's featured stalls are:

Vintage, China and Collectables: An ever-popular stall for browsing and buying unusual bargains. We need collectables, pictures and memorabilia, in good condition and saleable. Please no jumble, clothes, electrics or heavy items of furniture.

Contact: Richard Deacon
rjdeacon22@gmail.com

Children's Toys: Looking for all kinds of items suitable for children of all ages, provided that they are clean and complete.

Contact: Alison Cook
alison_cook_1@hotmail.co.uk

CHURCHWARDENS - Our new Wardens, Hugh Wright and Christopher Segar, have been invited to an Archdeacon's Visitation on 11 June at St Denys in Warminster. While the service is not open to visitors, we look forward to celebrating Hugh and Christopher in their roles as we continue through the season. I thank them, our new PCC members, and the Deanery representative for all they do as we begin this new season. We appreciate your commitment, support and sharing all we do as partners in the gospel here at Holy Trinity.

HUGE THANKS – to all organists, bellringers, singers and instrumentalists.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY - On Friday, 30 May @ 7:30pm at Christ Church, Professor Aidan Dodson is giving a talk about Hatshepsut, Queen and Pharaoh of Egypt. £4:50 at door of south porch, children free if accompanied. All proceeds to The Children's Society.

GOODWILL OFFERING ENVELOPES - envelopes are available on the welcome desk for those who wish to use them. The PCC has agreed to trial their use for a period of 6 months, after which they will assess the cost effectiveness of continuing a weekly envelope scheme.

SUE RYDER GRIEF KIND SPACE AT THE HUB runs weekly on Thursdays from 2-4pm. It is a drop-in group: just turn up on the day at any time during the 2-hour slot. You can find support and meet other people who are going through a similar experience.

THIS WEEK @ HT

SECRET GARDENS TEAS – TODAY, 2pm-6pm.

MORNING PRAYER – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday @ 8.30am – everyone welcome

SAXON CLUB – Tuesday @ 2.30pm – fun & friendship for ‘seniors’ - Visit to art collection at Abbey Mill. Meet up at 2.30pm at Holy Trinity

COMMUNITY CAFE – Wednesday, 10am – 12noon. All welcome.

ASCENSION DAY – Thursday, 10am Said Service of Holy Communion, St Mary Tury & 6pm Ascension Communion service, Holy Trinity

FUTURE EVENTS @ HT

PENTECOST SUNDAY - 8 June. Services of 8am Said Eucharist & 9.30am Sung Eucharist

INFORMAL SONGWAYS PERFORMANCE – Friday, 13 June @ 11.15am. As part of the Wild Waters Festival. Free entry – retiring collection for Wiltshire Wildlife Trust.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially: Nathan Baker, David Bancroft, Tony Bruun, Matthew Cox, Mary Dawson, Valerie Dyer, Jennifer Fuller, Anne Harris, Celia Milne, Alice Moody, Geneviève Roberts, Edward Shaw & Malcolm Walsh

Pray for all those who mourn and for those who have recently died, especially: Christopher Banable

Please let Revd Jenny, Marlene (LPA) and Tony Haffenden (LPA) know of any pastoral need, including prayer.

Pray for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, remembering especially: Diana Newman & Brian Cookson

FOR PRAYER THIS WEEK

- St Laurence School and pupils taking exams; for Fitzmaurice Primary. Wishing all a happy Half Term
- The Environment. A Rocha Eco Church
- Peace, for Kadugli in Sudan; for the people of Gaza; Ukraine and for the Ukrainian community of Bradford on Avon
- For prayerful discernment in the appointment process for the next Archbishop of Canterbury; for the CNC
- Pope Leo XIV, “Let us walk towards God and love one another”

We continue to work together in our shared commitment to Safeguarding: **‘The Benefice of Bradford on Avon Holy Trinity, Westwood and Wingfield takes its responsibilities surrounding the safeguarding of children, young people, and adults who may be at risk, very seriously. We work in partnership with the Diocese of Salisbury to ensure that we work in accordance with best practices at all times.’**

SAFEGUARDING - If you have any Safeguarding concerns please speak to the clergy or our Safeguarding Adviser for the Benefice: **Andrea Unwin** 07553161654
Email: safeguarding@htboa.org
If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from: safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org to speak to a caseworker, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor 01722 438651 and press option 3

NEXT WEEK – 1 JUNE THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**8am – Said Eucharist
9.30am – Sung Eucharist
6pm - Evensong**

Readings:
Acts 16.16-34
John 17.20-end