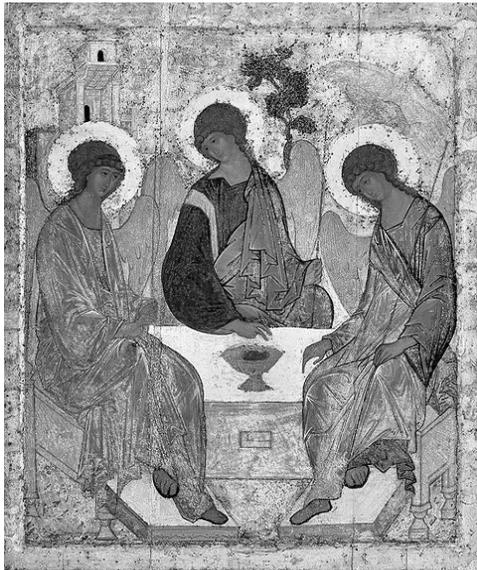


Night Service Communion
Living Thinking Loving Faith
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Trinity Sunday
7 June 2020 at 7.00 pm



You may wish to have several items ready as we begin:

*a candle (and the means to light it),
the elements of a simple meal, something to eat and drink
access to the audio clips which are available on our website
(marked in this booklet with an icon)*

We share a moment of quiet to prepare

Mysterious Trinity,
beyond us,
within us,
around us,
uncontainable truth
that is God,
teach us the rhythm of your ways,
draw us into your embrace.

Ian Wallis

Gathering

Welcome

*You may wish to light a candle when the singing bowl sounds
and you are invited to share in a time of quiet reflection.*

Singing Bowl 

Hymn 

1.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.
Come, bow before him now,
with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

2.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

3.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

*David J Evans
Recorded by St Martin in the Fields
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Prayers of Approach

May God be with you.

And also with you.

EVER-LOVING GOD,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*A time of quiet to reflect on the ways in which our lives and the life of the world
don't mirror God's desire for our lives.*

God forgives us; be at peace.

Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection,
reconciliation for the whole human race.

We shall be one in Christ,
one in our life together, and when we are apart.
Praise to God who has created us, accepted us,
and who sends us into the world. Amen.

Collect

Enfolding God,
Trinity of love,
you are our source, our goal, our life:
may we be born again in you
no more to live
alone and unconnected,
but sharing in the Spirit's breath
and carried to your heart;
through Jesus Christ, who lifts us up.
Amen.

Steven Shakespeare

Bible Reading – Matthew 28.16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Time of Reflection

Hymn



O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar.
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
in ev'ry moment of life and death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me, beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.

Although your Spirit is upon me,
still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

Bernadette Farrell

Affirmation of Faith

We live by faith;
in the love of God, embodied in Jesus the Christ.

We live in hope;
which does not disappoint, but brings love to life.

We live in the power of the Spirit;
transforming our lives and the whole of creation.

Amen. So be it.

John Schofield

Time to Pray

We share a time of silence, or open prayer

Abiding

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to our gracious God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

GROUND OF BEING, great I Am,
your breath sweeps through the universe,
bringing life to life;
we praise you for your energy
and your intention for all creation.

In Jesus you displayed your love,
made known your wisdom,
and called us to yourself.
You wait and weep and sorrow
as we prefer self-interest over all that is good:
for us, for others and for our world.

Yet reaching out with open arms
you draw us to yourself,
revealing the strength of love
where we see only weakness.

And so with all who,
through time, in our time and for all time,
rejoice in your being,
we join our voices in a song of endless praise saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of truth and love.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is Jesus, the Bread of Life:
on the night when he was betrayed
he took a loaf of bread,
and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and said,
This is my body that is for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup also,
after supper, saying,
This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Blessed is Jesus, the Bread of Life:
**Dying you destroyed death;
Rising you restored life;
Come to us, Lord Jesus.**

Be with us now,
breathe your Spirit into this bread and wine
and into our lives,
that we may grow in Christ,
and be the breath of love
in our being and becoming.

Calling us to Christlike living,
fulfil in us all that you intend,
as in our lives, and in community with Christ,
we worship you,
source and ground and purpose of our being,
now and throughout all ages. **Amen.**

John Schofield

Lord's Prayer & Sharing in Communion

We pray together in words that Jesus gave us,

OUR FATHER in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

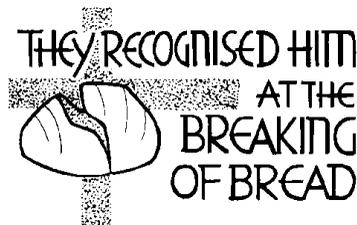
Give us today our daily bread.

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.**



This broken bread we share is the body of Christ.

**A sign of all that we live and risk together
as the community of Christ.**

This cup contains
the wine of the kingdom of God.

**A sign of God's undertaking
for the Life of the world.**

Come God's people,
come and share in Christ's kingdom.

*As we share a symbolic meal we remember that, though we are many,
we are one body in Christ.*

We may join in with or listen to a Taize chant:



The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:
In God I trust, in God I trust.

Taizé

Blessing

By love and through the maker:
We will walk in wonder.

By faith and through Jesus:
We will walk in justice.

By hope and through the Holy Spirit:
We will walk in wisdom and in joy.

Ruth Burgess

And the Blessing of God,
Ground of Being, Bread of life and Spirit of peace;
rest upon you and all whom you love,
both living and departed,
now and always. **Amen.**

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