



Worship for Sunday 6th September 2020

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to our service on this the 13th Sunday after Trinity. Welcome if you are worshiping with us in our church building, or over Zoom or at home, it is lovely to have you with us as we gather before our loving heavenly father. Let us take a moment to be still and quite in the presence of God so that we are ready for worship this morning.

Call to worship

“Listen carefully with the ear of your heart.....’

These are the opening words of the Rule of St Benedict. God of all individual and all communities, of all giving and all receiving, grant us the stillness to of spirit to give attention to you, and the generosity of heart to give attention to our neighbours. **Amen**

Hymn: Here in this place

A gathering prayer

Teach us, O lord, the ways of your laws. Give us understanding that we may always follow you. May your constant presence assure us of your steadfast love. May we know that presence now. **Amen**

A prayer of approach

Creator God, maker of all that is, we draw near and enter your holiness. Your presence welcomes us; your love enfolds us; your power sustains us. **We bring our love to you.**

Jesus Christ, Son of God, Son of Man, we draw near and come to you. Your example challenges us; your love forgives us; your peace restores us. **We bring our love to you.**

Holy Spirit, God around and within us, we draw near, united by your power. You lift our hearts in joyfulness; you guide our ways in obedience; your love enriches our love. **We bring our love to you.**

Accept our worship, accept our dedication; for your holy names sake. **Amen**

Prayers of penitence

The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all. Let us come to him, in sorrow for our sins, seeking healing and salvation.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

May almighty God have mercy on *us*, forgive *us our* sins, and bring *us* to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for 13th Sunday after trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: Romans 13: 8-end

Psalm 119: 33-40

Teach me, LORD, the way of your decrees, that I may follow it to the end

Give me understanding, so that I may keep your law and obey it with all my heart.

Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight.

Turn my heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain.

Turn my eyes away from worthless things; preserve my life according to your word.¹⁹

Fulfil your promise to your servant, so that you may be feared.

Take away the disgrace I dread, for your laws are good.

How I long for your precepts! In your righteousness preserve my life.

Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of

Reading: Matthew 18: 15-20

Talk

I have made a video of the talk.

Creed

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and 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

Hymn: Ubi caritas

Prayers

I have made a video of the prayers.

Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving make our requests to God.

Gracious God, we pray for peace, justice, and reconciliation throughout the world. We pray for the honouring of human rights, and for the relief of the oppressed. We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men, women, and children. May the world work together to protect the environment and care for all people, particularly the vulnerable. We continue our prayers for all those effected by the coronavirus whether due to the health or economic impact and for all refugees. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love, and service. We pray for Rachel and Robert our bishops and for the life of this benefice. We give thanks for the gift of your word, the grace of the sacraments and the fellowship of your people. Fill your church with your love and wisdom as we seek to share your love and build up the kingdom of God. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for this local community and for all people in their daily life and work. We pray for the young and the elderly, for families, and all who are alone. We give thanks for human skill and creativity and all that reveals your

loveliness. We pray for our local schools, for staff, children, parents, and governors, remembering especially those who are starting school for the first time, moving schools, or heading off to university or work, may they know your presence with them. We bring before you those in our communities who are finding life particularly difficult and challenging at this time, may they find the support and love they need. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are in need; for the sick, sorrowful, and bereaved. In a moment of silence, we name before you any that we know who are suffering this day whether in body, mind, or spirit. *Silence.* Surround them and those who love and care for them with your healing and love. We pray for all who bring comfort, care, and healing, especially for those who work in the NHS, nursing homes or social services. We give thanks for human love and friendship and for all that enriches our daily lives. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

In a moment of stillness and quiet we offer our own prayers to God. *Silence.*

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.
Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

The peace

God has called us to live in peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also, with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

I know that we are not together physically today and not able to share the peace in our normal way. However, this does not mean that we are not able to share the peace. Bring to mind members of our church family and as you do wish them God's peace. "..... (the name of a member of our church family) God's peace be with you.

Hymn: Shine Jesus shine

We go out

May our words bring others together, may our actions inspire others to live well, and may we know the love and friendship of Jesus, as we journey through the week. Amen

The Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you all;
and the blessing of God almighty the father, the son and the Holy Spirit be with you all this day and evermore.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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