



Worship for Sunday 13th June 2021

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to our worship this morning in this the second Sunday after Trinity. Welcome, it is lovely to have you with us as we gather to worship our generous God. Let us take a moment to still ourselves in the presence of God so that we are ready for worship this morning.

Call to worship

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Jesus told those who would listen that the kingdom of God is like the smallest of seeds. As we come together to worship let us open ourselves to the limitless potential of God's Spirit to bring life and growth, and let us also be open to signs of God's kingdom among us and within us.

Hymn: Let us build a house

Lord direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray. Lift up our hearts to worship you in Spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayers of Penitence

Lord God, our maker and redeemer, this is your world and we are your people: come among us and save us.

We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation; Lord, be merciful: **forgive us our sin.**

We have seen the ill-treatment of others and have not gone to their aid: Lord, be merciful: **forgive us our sin.**

We have condoned evil and dishonesty failed to strive for justice: Lord, be merciful: **forgive us our sin.**

We have heard the good news and failed to share it with others: Lord, be merciful: **forgive us our sin.**

We have not loved you with all our heart nor our neighbours as ourselves: Lord, be merciful: **forgive us our sin.**

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his only Son to be our saviour forgive us our sins and make us holy to serve him in the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for the Second Sunday after Trinity

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading: Ezekiel 17: 22-end

A prayer of praise

God of grace and growth, you have called us to plant the seeds of your kingdom in the fields of your world, and to trust you for their developing and flourishing – **and so we praise you.**

For the abundance of your creativity: **we praise you.**

For the transforming nature of your Spirit: **we praise you.**

For the power of small beginnings: **we praise you.**

For the mystery of hidden growth: **we praise you.**

And for the harvest we are to delight in: **we praise you.**
In Jesus' name. **Amen**

Hymn: The Church's one foundation

Reading: Mark 4: 26-34

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: Love divine

Prayers

I have made a video of the prayers.

Let us pray to the God of heaven and earth for the growth of the kingdom. *Silence.*

May the kingdom grow in Christians all over the world; may it grow as hearts are warmed by encounters with the living God; nourished by word and sacrament, private prayer and public worship. Give us strength and courage in our task to be kingdom growers and help us to work together as we seek to grow the kingdom of God. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

May the kingdom grow in all the countries of the world, in the crowded streets of the cities and in the scattered rural communities; in all decision-making and spending. We pray for the leaders of the nations and all those in authority under them, fill them with your wisdom and integrity that they may work together to strive for peace and justice, protect the environment and care for all people but especially the vulnerable. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

May your kingdom grow in every human shelter and home, every place of work and education, in each conversation and in our mutual care of one another. We pray for our local community, for each home and family, may kindness and understanding shape our common life together. We pray for all those who have found this week especially difficult or challenging for whatever reason and we ask that you bring to them the support, care and friendship they need. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

May the kingdom grow to bring peace and healing wherever there is pain or sadness, to bring reassurance, comfort, courage and hope. We pray for all those who are suffering this day whether in body, mind or spirit and in a moment of silence we name before you any known to us. *Silence.* Surround them and those who love and care for them with you healing, comfort and peace. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

May the kingdom grow to bring comfort and support to all those who are bereaved, may they know your love, support and hope in their lives. We give thanks for the lives of those who have recently died and for all that they meant to those who loved them. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

In a moment of stillness and silence we offer our own prayers to God. *Silence.* Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

The peace

God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them. 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: Will you come and follow me

We go out

Almighty God, we thank you for the gift of your hold word. May it be a lantern you our feet, a light to our paths, and a strength to our lives. Take use and use us to love and serve in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our lord. **Amen**

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you this day and always. **Amen**

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

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