

Morning Prayer
Sunday 18th July – 7th Sunday after Trinity

Preparation

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

O God, make speed to save us:

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever.

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised!

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence may be kept.

**As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Word of God

Old Testament reading: Isaiah 55:1-7

'Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters;
and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

² Why spend money on what is not bread,
and your labour on what does not satisfy?
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,
and you will delight in the richest of fare.

³ Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.
I will make an everlasting covenant with you,
my faithful love promised to David.

⁴ See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,
a ruler and commander of the peoples.

⁵ Surely you will summon nations you know not,
and nations you do not know will come running to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has endowed you with splendour.'

⁶ Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call on him while he is near.

⁷ Let the wicked forsake their ways
and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament reading: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered round Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'

³² So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. ³³ But many who saw them leaving recognised them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. ⁵⁴ As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognised Jesus. ⁵⁵ They ran throughout that whole region and carried those who were ill on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went – into villages, towns or countryside – they placed those who were ill in the market-places. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63

¹ You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land where there is no water.

² I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.

³ Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.

⁴ I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my hands.

⁵ I will be satisfied as with the richest of foods;
with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

⁶ On my bed I remember you;
I think of you through the watches of the night.

⁷ Because you are my help,
I sing in the shadow of your wings.

⁸ I cling to you; your right hand upholds me.

⁹ Those who want to kill me will be destroyed;
they will go down to the depths of the earth.

¹⁰ They will be given over to the sword and become food for jackals.

¹¹ But the king will rejoice in God;
all who swear by God will glory in him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Sermon

Prayers

our intercessions are led, and include the response:

Come, Lord, guide us:

Come, Lord, for our hope is in you.

**O Lord, in a world where many are lonely,
we thank you for our friendships.
In a world where many are captive,
we thank you for our freedom.
In a world where many are hungry,
we thank you for your provision.
We pray that you will enlarge our sympathy,
deepen our compassion,
and give us grateful hearts.
In Christ's name. Amen.**

Terry Waite

Collect

**Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Trusting in the compassion of God,
Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us
“**Our Father, who art in heaven ...**”

Hymn

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts are satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord...

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The Conclusion

The Blessing, *followed by:*

Glory to God:
**whose power, at work among us,
can do infinitely more than all we can ask or conceive.**
Glory to God:
**to him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

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

We continue our very brief Sunday services of Holy Communion (sharing bread only, and with no singing indoors) in our churches. We now have two such services each week.

Today's Communion services are at Winksley Church and Dallowgill Chapel of the Resurrection, both at 11.15.

***There is a Methodist service at Grewelthorpe at 11.00,
and Evensong at Aldfield Church at 6.00 pm***

*We believe the precautions we take to be adequate in keeping us safe.
Face coverings are compulsory in church services.*