

St Paul's Church, Egham Hythe

Sunday Worship with a time to remember our loved ones who have died

10am Sunday 7th November 2021

Welcome and Introduction

Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness

sung by St Martin's Voices Jan Struther, © Oxford University Press

- Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy, be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Reading: He did not say

"He did not say, 'You shall not be tempest-tossed, you shall not be work-weary, you shall not be discomforted.' But he said, 'You shall not be overcome.' God wants us to heed these words so that we shall always be strong in trust, both in sorrow and in joy."

(Julian of Norwich)

Confession

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins and assure us of his eternal love In Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

A prayer

God of compassion and love we offer you all of our suffering and pain, all of our loss and hurt.
Give us strength to bear our weakness, peace in the midst of turmoil, healing and wholeness for your broken world, and love to fill the spaces in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Song of Faith (From 1 Peter 1: 3-5)

- 1 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
- 2 By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
- Into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept in heaven for you,
- Who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

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.

Reading: Mark 4: 35-41

On that day, when evening had come, Jesus said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Reflection



Hymn: Eternal Father, strong to save

sung by the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields William Whiting (1825-1878)

- Eternal Father, strong to save,
 whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
 who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
 its own appointed limits keep:
 O hear us when we cry to thee
 for those in peril on the sea.
- O Saviour whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walkedst on the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage didst sleep:
 O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- O sacred Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, who badst its angry tumult cease, and gavest light and life and peace: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.
- O Trinity of love and power, our brethren shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them whereso'er they go: and ever let there rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Reading: What is dying?

A ship sails and I stand watching till she fades on the horizon, and someone at my side says, "She is gone". Gone where? Gone from my sight, that is all; she is just as large as when I saw her... The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not in her, and just at the moment when someone at my side says "She is gone", there are others who are watching her coming, and other voices take up a glad shout "There she comes!" And that is dying.

(Bishop Brent)

Remembrance and Thanksgiving for loved ones



As music is played, you are invited to light candles around the church or where you are watching this, to remember and give thanks for loved ones who have died. You could place a card with their names underneath or nearby if you'd like to.

Song: Faithful One

(Brian Doerksen) Sung by Becky Brent

Faithful one, so unchanging
Ageless one, you are my rock of peace
Lord of all I depend on you
I call out to you, again and again
I call out to you, again and again.

You are my rock in times of trouble You lift me up when I fall down All through the storm Your love is, the anchor My hope is in You alone.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, in your Son Jesus Christ you have given us a true faith and a sure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days, that we may live as those who believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to eternal life; through your son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Intercessions

We may use the following response: Lord in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All: Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come; thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended

sung by the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields John Ellerton (1826-1893)

- The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended, the darkness falls at thy behest; to thee our morning hymns ascended, thy praise shall sanctify our rest.
- We thank thee that thy church unsleeping, while earth rolls onward into light, through all the world her watch is keeping, and rests not now by day or night.
- As o'er each continent and island the dawn leads on another day, the voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the strain of praise away.
- The sun that bids us rest is waking our brethren 'neath the western sky, and hour by hour fresh lips are making thy wondrous doings heard on high.
- So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never, like earth's proud empires, pass away; thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever, till all thy creatures own thy sway.

Blessing

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of Christ to you.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

Do stay for refreshments after the service.

A short Communion service follows at 12 noon for those who would like to stay.

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Next Sunday, 14th November our Remembrance Sunday Service is at 10.50 with the two minutes silence kept at 11am