

## **Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2022: Trinity Sunday**

*For use by the Central Norfolk Circuit at 10.30 am or other suitable time.*



### **Hymn StF 17 / H&P 19**

With gladness we worship / rejoice as we sing / free hearts and free voices how blessed to bring;  
the old, thankful story shall scale thine abode / thou King of all glory, most bountiful God.

Thy right would we give thee – true homage thy due / and honour eternal, the universe through,  
with all they creation, earth, heaven and sea / in one acclamation we celebrate thee.

Renewed by thy Spirit, redeemed by thy Son / thy children revere thee for all thou hast done.  
O Father! Returning to love and to light / thy children are yearning to praise thee aright.

We join with the angels, and so there is given / from earth alleluia, in answer to heaven.

Amen! Be thou glorious below and above / redeeming, victorious, and infinite Love!

George Rawson (1807 – 1889)

### **Prayer**

Father, we thank you: **we worship and adore you.**

Jesus, we thank you: **we worship and adore you.**

Holy Spirit, we thank you: **we worship and adore you.**

**O God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
to you be praise for ever and ever. Amen.**

From 'Prayers for the People' edited by Michael Perry



### **To think about**

What Bible readings would you choose for Trinity Sunday?!

**Psalm set for today:** Psalm 8

**Gospel Reading set for today:** John 16 v 12 – 15

### **Hymn StF 338 / MP 673**

There is a Redeemer / Jesus, God's own Son,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah / Holy One.  
*Thank you, O my Father / for giving us your Son,  
and leaving your Spirit / till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer / name above all names,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah / O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory / I will see his face,  
and there I'll serve my King for ever / in that holy place.

Melody Green (b 1946) and Keith Green (1953 – 1982) CCL no. 5365402

### **Message from a Circuit friend**

Today is 'Trinity Sunday' when we celebrate God the Father – God the Son - and God the Holy Spirit, in whom we worship.

Everyone has their own different images of this and sometimes it is difficult to comprehend, especially in our human terms. There are images and paintings depicting the artists views of The Trinity, The Three in One, and many words spoken on this subject, and many hymns sung, all trying to explain this relationship. But this relationship doesn't have to be explained in technical or intellectual terms, tying us in knots, causing confusion! It is to be worshipped in awe and wonder. Throughout the whole of the Bible we see the workings of all three.

Here in John's gospel, and in the previous chapters, Jesus is teaching the disciples of what is to come, explaining who he is and what will happen, and indeed what it will mean for them, and the world from now on. In chapter 14 Jesus was explaining his relationship with the Father, "If you know me, me you will know my Father also" and now, in chapter 16, Jesus is speaking of another part of him, the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth. The disciples are being gathered in and welcomed into this world, they are being given an insight of what to expect, and how they will be guided.

Paul, in his letter to the Romans, re-enforces that it is through Jesus Christ that we have access to his grace and love which has been poured out through the Holy Spirit, and the wonderful thing is, that it's available for us all today. As we stand in the peace of God, we can truly sing Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God almighty.

**Dee Moden (Local Preacher, Local Preachers' Secretary, and member of Holt Methodist Church)**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

We pray for our world, thinking especially of those places where there has been tragedy, trauma, or trouble of one sort or another.

We pray for all Christians, especially those who are suffering for their faith.

We pray for the Methodist Church, especially as people prepare for the annual Methodist Conference at the end of this month.

We pray for our country at this time of political uncertainty and economic difficulty.

We pray for all in need today, especially those known to us.

We pray for our country, for our community our family and friends, ourselves.

**Offer to God your offertory for the week, and say the Lord's Prayer...**

### **Final Prayer**

I bind unto myself the Name, the strong Name of the Trinity  
by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three,  
of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word.  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the Lord!

From 'St Patrick's Breastplate'

### **Hymn StF 11 / H&P 7**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber (1783 – 1826)

**May the blessing of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with us, and all those we love, this day and always, Amen.**

**Circuit News:** The Big Sunday service last week was well received across the Circuit. There is a recording of the service that took place on zoom on our Circuit website [www.centralnorfolkmethodistcircuit.org.uk/worship](http://www.centralnorfolkmethodistcircuit.org.uk/worship).

Photos from the Jubilee weekend – from different circuit churches – are in the latest photo album on the website.

The annual Easter Offering Service is being held at Trinity Church, Dereham at 3 pm this afternoon. All welcome!