

Trinity Sunday - 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020



**We worship the Father, following the example given us by the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit that lives in each and every one of us**

COLLECT for Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*Below are words of encouragement from Isaiah to God's people when they were captive in Babylon. He reminds them just how great and glorious their God is. He is their hope for deliverance*

A reading from the book of the

prophet Isaiah. Ch. 40.12-17, 27-31  
Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and

the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the LORD, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

PSALM 8

1 O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!  
2 Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.  
3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.  
4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,  
5 What are mortals, that you should be mindful of them? mere human beings, that you should seek them out?  
6 You have made them little lower than the angels; you adorn them with glory and honour.  
7 You give them mastery over the works of your hands; and put all things under their feet,  
8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,  
9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.  
O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

*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 Amen*

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians. ch 13.11-13

Brothers and sisters, put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

A reading from the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Ch 28.16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ

On this Trinity Sunday we offer our praise and adoration to God

Who is Father , the creator of all things, who gives us so richly many things to enjoy in the world he has made

Who is Christ the Saviour of the world, made flesh to set us free. Who showed us godly love, healing and forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.

Who is the Spirit of truth and love, willing to dwell in us ,to guide us into right ways and better understanding

You are holy and blessed. One God, eternal Trinity.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord you have chosen men and women to serve you in the ministry of your church and given them a perfect example in the person of your son so we ask that a priest may be found to lead your church in these parishes .

We give thanks for the ministry of Archbishop Sentamu as he retires and we hold him and Margaret in our prayers as they step out into this new phase of their lives.

We pray for our world, for countries where there is unrest. We ask that world leaders be given a vision of peace, justice, and reconciliation.

In this country we pray for all who bear the responsibility of leadership. We pray for our Queen and her family, for the Prime Minister and all in central government; for local councillors.

We give thanks for those who offer their lives for the common good.

Police officers standing firm in the face of danger. Ambulance staff so often first on scene when people need medical assistance. Doctors, nurses and carers working tirelessly to care for others. Laboratory staff hastening to develop vaccines and drugs.

All who work in Public Health services, refuse collection, sewerage workers.

We remember those who are sick, sad or lonely and those who are brave and patient when things are going wrong. We pray that they may be aware of your comforting presence. We remember those who have died knowing that in your hands they are safe and loved.

Lead us into the coming week Lord and help us to believe that you are close by us. Keep us from making mistakes and help us never to disappoint you.

**Father in heaven, we thank you.  
For flowers that bloom about our feet,  
For tender grass so fresh, so sweet,  
For the song of bird and hum of bee,  
For all things fair we hear or see,  
For blue of stream and blue of sky,  
For pleasant shade of branches high,  
For fragrant air and cooling breeze,  
For beauty of the blossoming trees,  
Father in heaven, we thank you.**

Let's say the Lord's prayer to end....