

Holy Trinity 10am Parish Eucharist
10th September 2023
Blessing of School and Work Bags Service

The 5pm Service today is Choral Evensong.

VOLUNTARY

Prayer on screen during Voluntary:

*Lord God,
teach us to be your hands and feet where we are,
teach us to love as you love us,
teach us to pray for those in need,
Let your light shine through us to all we meet.
Amen.*

THE GATHERING

Informal welcome

*During Procession, those with bags invited to join the back of the
procession and lay them in front of altar
(Choir can leave bags as they pass the altar)*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Melcombe

NEH 238

1 New every morning is the love
our wakening and uprising prove;
through sleep and darkness safely brought,
restored to life, and power, and thought.

2 New mercies, each returning day,
hover around us while we pray;
new perils past, new sins forgiven,
new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

3 If on our daily course our mind
be set to hallow all we find,
new treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

4 The trivial round, the common task,
would furnish all we ought to ask,
room to deny ourselves, a road
to bring us daily nearer God.

5 Only, O Lord, in thy dear love
fit us for perfect rest above;
and help us this and every day
to live more nearly as we pray.

THE GREETING

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

All sit. The President introduces the service and theme

President We gather as one congregation, bringing ourselves before
God in worship. As a new school year begins:

President We pray for all taking the first small steps in life.

All **May God bless them all**

President We pray for all who teach and those who learn.

All **May God bless them all**

President We pray for all beginning new schools
and people facing new challenges.

All **May God bless them all**

President We pray for all those who work, serve and support others.

All **May God bless them all**

President We pray for each of us, in all that we do.

All **May God bless us all**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

President God shows us a way to live, but we do not always live our lives that way; we think of the wrong things we have done, thought or said.

In a few moments of stillness we call to mind our sins.

As we ask forgiveness for our words and actions, you may wish to sign the response.

President Loving God, we seek your forgiveness:
for not living as examples of your love;
All **Forgive us, God.**

President for hurting others through our words or actions;
All **Forgive us, God.**

President for falling silent when we should have spoken out;
All **Forgive us, God.**

President for not trusting in you;
All **Forgive us, God.**

President May almighty God have mercy on you,
+ forgive you your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life.
All **Amen.**

THE COLLECT

President Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.
All **Amen.**

GRADUAL HYMN/SONG OF GLORY

I am a city on a hill,
I am a light in the darkness.
Jesus living in me can change the world.
I am a city on a hill,
I am a light in the darkness.
Jesus living in me can change the world.

Let my light shine, let my light shine,
let my light shine. (Let it shine.)
Let my light shine, let my light shine,
let my light shine.

If God is for me, who can stand against me?
Let my light shine, let my light shine,
let my light shine.
If God is for me, who can stand against me?
Let my light shine, let my light shine,
let my light shine.

We are a city on a hill,
We are a light in the darkness.
Jesus living in us can change the world.
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We are a light in the darkness.
Jesus living in us can change the world.

Let your light shine, let your light shine,
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

GOSPEL READING – *Rev'd Patrick Taylor*

Matthew 5. 14-16

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

All (sung) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All (sung) **Praise to you, O Christ.**

TALK – inc blessing of the bags -*Rev'd Patrick Taylor*

Words of Blessing

Patrick God of knowledge and wisdom,
we pray to you for all schools
that they may be lively centres for learning,
new discovery, and the pursuit of goodness.
We pray also for our places of work,
that our time labouring may be fruitful and enriching.

We thank you for the gift of learning,
and for bodies and minds to learn with and create things,
to make mistakes and to try again.
Thank you for teachers, teaching assistants,
and all who work in our schools.
We bring to you all the work these bags will carry.
We bring you the days when they will feel light and easy,
and the days when they will feel heavy and hard.
Bless these bags, + the children and adults who carry them,
and the knowledge they will contain,
we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen**

PRAYERS – Liesl Bolin

The following response is used after each section

All Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with the following:

Intercessor
All Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

President Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

All The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

President Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Slane

NEH 239

1 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 kindness, 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.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

President With this bread that we bring
All **We shall remember Jesus.**

President With this wine that we bring
All **We shall remember Jesus.**

President Bread for his body and wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring.
All **We shall remember Jesus.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

President Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

You open our hearts to know your love,
and are always with us
in the new challenges we face.

You made us all,
each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels
and sing your praise:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Mass of St Thomas

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel or sit

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The President introduces the Lord's Prayer

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The President breaks the consecrated bread

President We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All **God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Invitation to Communion

The President invites the people to receive Holy Communion

President God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father**

AGNUS DEI

Mass of St Thomas

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

*The President and people receive Communion or a blessing.
Please come to a communion station when indicated by a Warden.*

ANTHEM

Kindle a light

Michael Fleming

*Kindle a light to lighten the darkness, kindle a light each nation and race:
God in the poor is coming to meet us, kindle a light to shine on his face.
Kindle a light to lighten the darkness, kindle a light for all who despair:
God in the poor is coming to judge us, kindle a light with fasting and prayer.
Kindle a light to lighten the darkness, kindle a light in places of shame:
God in the poor is coming to heal us, kindle a light with hope in its flame.
Kindle a light to lighten the darkness, kindle a light for sorrow to cease:*

*God in the poor is coming to free us, kindle a light for justice and peace.
Christ is coming, Christ is coming, coming in judgement, in truth and in grace:
Meet him and greet him, and share his embrace.*

COMMUNION SONG

Here I Am, Lord

HON 332

1 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?

Refrain:

*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.*

2 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? (Refrain)

3 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 be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

Trinity Voices

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All Lord,
we have broken your bread
and received your life.
By the power of your Spirit
keep us always in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Banns & notices

Christening Welcome

President God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

All **Shine as a light in the world
to the Glory of God the Father**

President There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

All **We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

BLESSING

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;
and the blessing of God almighty, †

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

*Those who have brought bags forward are invited to collect them
and process out behind the choir.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Richmond

A&M 632

1 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God,
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
thy being and thy ways.

2 Not for the lip of praise alone,
nor e'en the praising heart,
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part:

3 Praise in the common things of life,
its goings out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
however small and mean.

4 Fill every part of me with praise:
let all my being speak
of thee and of thy love, O Lord,
poor though I be and weak.

5 So shalt thou, Lord, receive from me
the praise and glory due;
and so shall I begin on earth
the song for ever new.

6 So shall each fear, each fret, each care,
be turned into song;
and every winding of the way
the echo shall prolong.

7 So shall no part of day or night
unblest or common be;
but all my life, in every step,
be fellowship with thee.

President

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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