

Holy Trinity 10am Parish Eucharist

17th September 2023

The 15th Sunday after Trinity

Healing for the Soul Part 1:

Seeking Forgiveness

5pm Service today is Holy Communion (Traditional)

VOLUNTARY

*During which the following prayer is shown
for some of the time on the screens:*

O God, bring new life
where we are worn and tired;
new love
where we have turned hard-hearted;
forgiveness
where we have wounded;
and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit
where we are the prisoners of ourselves.
(John Bell)

THE GATHERING

Informal welcome

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

MP 226

Hyfrydol

1 Healing God, almighty Father,
active throughout history,
ever saving, guiding, working
for your children to be free.
Shepherd, king, inspiring prophets
to foresee your suffering role;
Lord, we raise our prayers and voices;
make us one and make us whole.

2 Healing Christ, God's Word incarnate,
reconciling each to all;
God's atonement, dying for us
his full rescue from our fall.
'Jesus', Saviour, healer, victor,
drawing out for us death's sting;
Lord, we bow our hearts in worship,
and united praises bring.

3 Healing Spirit, Christ-anointing,
raising to new life in him;
help to poor; release to captives;
cure of body; health within.
Life-renewing and empowering
Christ-like service to the lost;
Lord, we pray 'Renew your wonders
as of a new Pentecost!'

4 Healing Church, called-out and chosen
to enlarge God's kingdom here;
Lord-obeying; Spirit strengthened
to bring God's salvation near.
For creation's reconciling
gifts of love in us release,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
'make us instruments of peace'.

THE GREETING

President We meet 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.**

President Please be seated.

The President introduces the service and theme.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All **Almighty God,**
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE - *(Coventry Cathedral Litany of Reconciliation)*

Deacon All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.
The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race,
class from class,

All **Father, forgive.**
The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what
is not their own,

All **Father, forgive.**
The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays
waste the earth,

All **Father, forgive.**
Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,

All **Father, forgive.**
Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the
homeless, the refugee,

All **Father, forgive.**
The lust which dishonours the bodies of men, women and
children,

All **Father, forgive.**
The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in
God,

All **Father, forgive.**
Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one
another, as God in Christ forgave you.

President Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon † and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Woodlands

All **Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;
of heav'nly joy and earthly peace we sing.
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heavenly King.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
you bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, your glorious vict'ry won,
receive our pray'r, grant us your peace within.**

**Alone, O Christ, you only are the Lord.
at God's right hand in majesty most high:
who with the Spirit worshipped and adored:
with all the heav'nly hosts we glorify.**

THE COLLECT

President God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
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.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BIBLE *Romans 14.10-12*

Read by Pete Cubitt

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

MP 921

Refiner's Fire

1 Purify my heart,
let me be as gold and precious silver;
purify my heart,
let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire,
my heart's one desire
is to be holy,
set apart for you, Lord;
I choose to be holy,
set apart for you, my Master,
ready to do your will.*

2 Purify my heart,
cleanse me from within
and make me holy;
Purify my heart,
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

*Refiner's fire,
my heart's one desire
is to be holy,
set apart for you, Lord;
I choose to be holy,
set apart for you, my Master,
ready to do your will.*

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 18.21-35 (GNB) Emma Harrington*

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON *Phil Harper*

CREED

President Let us declare our faith in God.

All **We believe in God the Father
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - *led by Tricia Hall-Matthews*
The following response is used after each section

All Father we pray
for forgiveness and blessing

The prayers conclude with the following:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

President Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil.
 As far as it lies with you, live at peace with everyone.
 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

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

OFFERTORY HYMN

MP 376

1 Jesus put this song into our hearts,
Jesus put this song into our hearts;
it's a song of joy no one can take away.
Jesus put this song into our hearts.

2 Jesus taught us how to live in harmony,
Jesus taught us how to live in harmony;
different faces, different races, he made us one;
Jesus taught us how to live in harmony.

3 Jesus taught us how to be a family,
Jesus taught us how to be a family;
loving one another with the love that he gives;
Jesus taught us how to be a family.

4 Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing,
Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing,
changed our tears of sadness into rivers of joy;
Jesus turned our sorrow into a dance.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

President Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

All **Amen.**

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 give us your love,
even when things go wrong.
Jesus knew hurt and pain.
Through him you wipe away our tears,
and fill us with your peace.

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

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Slane

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom for ever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he
whose life makes us whole,
and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

Please kneel or sit

President 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 this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Invitation to Communion

The President invites the people to receive Holy Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

AGNUS DEI

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**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.
In your mercy, come and heal us; Lord, hear our prayer.
Take away our sins, forgive us,
Lamb of God, restore, redeem us,
grant us peace, Lord in your mercy,
Lord, hear our prayer. (Repeat)**

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

COMMUNION SONGS

O Lord, your tenderness

Graham Kendrick

*O Lord, your tenderness, melting all my bitterness! O Lord, I receive your love. O Lord,
your loveliness, changing all my ugliness, O Lord, I receive your love. O Lord, I receive
your love, O Lord, I receive your love.*

COMMUNION HYMN

MP 1151

Amazing Grace

1 Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy reigns,
unending love, amazing grace.*

3 The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free,
My God, my Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy reigns,
unending love, amazing grace.*

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My God, my Saviour has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy reigns,
unending love, amazing grace.*

4 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
the sun forbear to shine.
But God who called me here below
will be forever mine.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All Father of all,
 we give you thanks and praise,
 that when we were still far off
 you met us in your Son and brought us home.
 Dying and living, he declared your love,
 gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
 May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
 we who drink his cup bring life to others;
 we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
 Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
 so we and all your children shall be free,
 and the whole earth live to praise your name;
 through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

The notices, including Banns of Marriage

Please stand

THE BLESSING

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President May God the Father,
 who does not despise the broken spirit,
 give to you a contrite heart.

All **Amen.**

President May Christ,
 who bore our sins in his body on the tree,
 heal you by his wounds.

All **Amen.**

President May the Holy Spirit,
 who leads us into all truth,
 speak to you words of pardon and peace.

All **Amen.**

President And the blessing of God almighty, †
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Sagina

MP 33

1 And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Amazing love! how can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

2 'Tis mystery all! the immortal dies:
who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.
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let angel minds inquire no more.

3 He left his Father's throne above
so free, so infinite his grace;
emptied himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race;
'tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me.
'tis mercy all, immense and free;
for, O my God, it found out me.

4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed thee.

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I rose, went forth and followed thee.

5 No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
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and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

THE DISMISSAL

Please turn to face the West door at the back of the church

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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