



First Sunday after Trinity 6th June 2021

Welcome

Heavenly Father,
you call us like a good parent to you
**All: to guide and protect us,
to nourish and lead us.**

Brother Jesus,
you call us like a caring elder brother
**to serve us and help us,
to cheer us and invite us.**

Healing Spirit,
you call us and move us ever closer
**into fellowship with you and
each other.**

Then come,
ready to be who we are called to be.
**Let us gather together
and worship God.**

Opening prayer

The night has passed,
and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence,
O God, set our hearts on fire with love for
you; now and for ever. **Amen**

Confession

Father, like unruly children we strain at your guidance, we try to break away and do it ourselves. We feel our strength and imagine to be all powerful. We rejoice in our life and imagine ourselves to be immortal. We know our talents and want to be independent rather than depend on you. Before we know it, we are in the grip of other powers, leading us away from your loving ways into the slavery of selfish greed, adoring false gods of youth-fulness, materialism and power.

**All: Lord, forgive us and free us.
Open our eyes to how your wisdom
knows true leadership to be service.
Open our hearts that we may learn
that neither race or tribe, culture or
religion are barriers to separate us but
that we are all one family in
your love.**

**So, open our hearts and minds to
learn again to live your love as we
celebrate and worship you
here together.**

Absolution

May the God of love and power bring you back to himself, forgive you and free you from your sins, and restore you to newness of life by his Spirit. **Amen**

Hymn

The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.

Yet she on earth hath union
with the God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

The Word of God

Mark Chapter 3 verses 20 - 35

At end of reading:

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

A Creed

Do you believe and trust in God
the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God
the Son,

who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy
Spirit,

who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

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

Prayers of Intercession

The response to 'Lord in your mercy'

All: 'Hear our prayer'

Prayers finish with:

Merciful Father,

All: accept these prayers

**for the sake of your Son, our Saviour,
Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Collect

God of truth, help us to keep your law of
love and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Hymn

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim though this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer
be thou still my Strength and Shield.
be thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.
I will ever give to thee

Notices

Blessing and Dismissal

May you trust in God's promises to his
people: Peace, security, blessing
even when they are difficult to believe.
May you know that God's news is good
news, nourishing, true,
even when people tell you it is not.
And when you encounter doubt,
may God strengthen your belief
guiding you in his perfect wisdom
and counsel.
And may the blessing of God Almighty..

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord

All: In The Name of Christ, Amen