



## **Trinity Sunday – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020**



### **Welcome!**

Good morning everyone - today we celebrate together the Holy Trinity.

Probably one of the most difficult aspects of our faith the get to grips with - God being three in one! Three persons yet one person. A model of perfect harmony in relationship that offers us an example to follow, in being in perfect harmony with our fellow beings. It gives us a view of mutuality and oneness that we can aspire to.

In light the unfolding events of the past week across the world - not only with the pandemic, but with the anger and pain felt by people who aren't afforded equal worth.

We have been reminded of the longstanding injustices of brutality and unfairness.

God never said any person or body of people are in any way more worthy, better or somehow above any others - we are all equal, and equally loved where God is concerned.

As you will see this week from the words of St Paul, we are all to:

"Be joyful. Grow in maturity. Encourage each other. Live in harmony and peace. Then the God of love and peace will be with (us)."

Unfortunately Paul's next words are not allowed at present:

"Greet each other with a sacred kiss."

I am sending you all a 'virtual' sacred kiss and pray for you the rest of Paul's words:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Carol x

*Light a candle or simply have a quiet moment to prepare....*

### **Greeting**

Jesus said 'Receive the Spirit:  
as the Father sent me, so I send you.'  
Alleluia. Thanks be to God.

### **Praise Response**

You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory, honour and power.  
For you have created all things,  
and by your will they have their being.  
You are worthy, O Lamb, for you were slain,  
and by your blood you ransomed for God  
Saints from every tribe, language and nation.  
To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing, honour, glory and might, for ever.  
Amen.



Hymn: Faithful One (So Unchanging) - Robin Mark  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uxviwvjyg1w>

### Confession

St Paul says: "Be imitators of God; love as Christ loved; do not grieve the Holy Spirit; put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice."

So let us confess our sins to God, who forgives us in Christ.

O King enthroned on high, you fill the earth with your glory:

Your name is holy above all things.

In our sinfulness we cry to you to take away our guilt,  
to cleanse our lips to speak words of love  
and to change our actions to bring others hope,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### Absolution

May the Father forgive you by the death of his Son,  
and strengthen you to live in the power of the Spirit all your days.

Amen.

### The Collect for Trinity

Holy God, faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

### Bible Readings

2 Corinthians 13:11-14 and Matthew 28:16-20



### Reflection

*This week's reflection comes from The Ven Julie Conalty  
Archdeacon of Tonbridge.*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RdgNeyJZA4o&feature=youtu.be>

### Share the peace of God with the world – saying aloud...

Peace to the world from God who is our Father.

Peace to the world from Jesus Christ who is our peace.

Peace to the world from the Holy Spirit who gives us life.

The peace of the triune God fill the people of this world now and always.

*Offer the peace of the Holy Trinity to our community...*

### Prayers of Intercession:

*May the nations be brought together in peace and harmony, and may the people on earth know mutual respect and equal worth.*

*May we listen to the Spirit calling us to peace and a respect for all God has made.*

*May we make disciples for Christ in spite of, and because of, our current circumstances.*

*May the love of God, the grace of Jesus and the fellowship of the Spirit be known to all.*

*A Prayer by Bishop Simon Burton-Jones as students return to school...*

Heavenly Father, hold in your arms those whose lives are changing this day.  
For what has passed, we give you thanks.  
For what is unfinished, we ask for grace.  
For all to come, we seek your peace.  
In all that we have not spoken or completed during the lost weeks ahead,  
we ask for the Spirit to weave a story for each student  
of the love you have for them in Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.  
Amen.

Blessing

O God our mystery, you bring us to life, call us to freedom,  
and move amongst us with love.  
May we so participate in your dance of Trinity  
that our lives resonate with you, now and forever:  
And the blessing of God Almighty;  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit  
be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

Hymn: Based on the poem 'Footprints' by Leona Lewis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aLLLSzBWAhQ>

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ, to love all people, to serve with zeal,  
and to make disciples for the Kingdom of God. Amen.



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reflections and prayers



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