

The Marden Vale Team Ministry
Christ Church, Derry Hill – St. John the Baptist, Foxham – St. Martin, Bremhill
Sunday 7th June – Trinity Sunday



*Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!*



Today's service in the Marden Vale Team:

A service for Trinity Sunday from Holy Trinity Church, Quemerford: https://youtu.be/Ylqg9bh_oM

For our younger folk

This week we think about the Trinity – God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. You can find it on Derry Hill's Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/christchurchdh/posts/> or <https://vimeo.com/426285375>



Also available:

8.10am Sunday Worship on BBC Radio 4. A service for Trinity Sunday led by Jonathan Rea of New Irish Arts.

9am on [the Church of England's website](https://www.churchofengland.org/) A farewell service for the Archbishop of York John Sentamu

10.45am BBC1 Sunday Worship from St. David's Cathedral with the Rev Canon Leigh Richardson

1.15pm Songs of Praise on BBC1 with Sean Fletcher

Bells

Tune in to 'Bells on Sunday' on Radio 4 at 5.43am from . Or follow this link and listen later online: Church of St James, Deeping St James in Lincolnshire



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000j139>

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Light a Candle May I encourage you to continue this practice of praying, and lighting a candle and placing it in a window as a sign of hope each Sunday evening?

Prayer Join with the Church of England Daily Prayer by visiting our website: www.mardenvale.org.uk and clicking on 'Pray' on the top line.

In the coming week please also pray for:

- all who are affected by coronavirus, for all who work on the frontline to keep us safe, to help the sick, to keep us fed...
- those who are anxious, exhausted, isolated. May those whose mental health is fragile be able to access the counselling, medication and support they need
- our local schools: the children and young people, staff and governors. We pray especially for Derry Hill Primary and headteacher Hayley Roberts
- Kingston House residents and all who work there
- Lucy Aylen (YWAM) as she leads & teaches at Discipleship Training School
- the work of Christian Aid
- our brothers and sisters in Sudan & South Sudan; in Yemen
- all who are sick, awaiting diagnosis, those in hospital. Especially we pray for: **Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Len Jones, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, Jennifer Pope, Helen Lewis, Jackson Goodship, Jane Jordan, Angela Barker, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Bill Norman, Brenda Beint, Peter Lansdell, Sonia Strange, and Barbara Starr.**
- All who have recently died, the bereaved, & all whose anniversary of death falls at this time. We remember especially Dorothy Payne, Audrey Lloyd and Ruth Brenton.
- **Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico, The Most Revd Francisco Moreno - Presiding Bishop of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico & Bishop of Northern Mexico.

Calne Food Bank is currently based at Church House, 30 Church St., Calne. 12-4pm on Tuesdays and Fridays. <https://www.calnefoodbank.co.uk>

Readings and Prayers for today's services:

Isaiah 40:12-17,27-end

¹² 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?

¹³ Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,
or as his counsellor has instructed him?

¹⁴ 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?

¹⁵ 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.

¹⁶ Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.

¹⁷ All the nations are as nothing before him;
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and
emptiness.

²⁷ 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'?

²⁸ 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.

²⁹ He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.

³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;

³¹ 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.

Matthew 28:16-20

Now 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, baptizing 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.'



Collect

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.

Trinity Reflections

Daniel Migliore, in his book "Faith Seeking Understanding" states: "The doctrine of the Trinity re-describes God in the light of the event of Jesus Christ and the outpouring of God's transforming Spirit." It's a way of helping us to see that God's love for the world in Christ is now at work by the power of the Spirit.

That's what all this 'stuff' is about. All this tortuous grappling with words and terms and models is mind-stretching and fascinating – and there is so much more we can explore. But today, in these times, may we focus on this God of love who wants to share God's life and love in communion, and may we learn to live in loving, peaceful community with all our sisters and brothers; and with the whole of creation.

The last verse of the beautiful hymn from St Patrick's Breastplate or Lorica:

*"I bind unto myself today
the strong Name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation,
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
praise to the Lord of my salvation,
salvation is of Christ the Lord."*

*If you have seven minutes to spare, immerse yourself
in this evocative version:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UuzYaDrwwz8>

Pretzel logic for Trinity
Sunday...?

Find out more in my
sermon for the Marden
Vale Team Service.

And for any Steely Dan
fans:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UBxZFadp9P>



Keeping in touch

If you are able, please look at the website

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and Derry Hill's Facebook page

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