



# A Liturgy of the Trinity Sunday of Easter 30 May 2021











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#### The full service or the sermon can be viewed on the website.

#### Processional Hymn

1 Come, thou Almighty King, Help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

2 Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, scatter thy foes.
Let thine almighty aid our sure defense be made, our souls on thee be stayed; thy wonders show.

3 Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in ev'ry heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

4 To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

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#### Call to Worship

Let us celebrate our lives in the holy and blessed Trinity – God, three-in-one **Father, Son and Holy Spirit** 

Creator God, of time and space

We stand in awe of you

Redeeming Son, Lord of life

We worship and exult your name

Holy Spirit, give of all of good gifts

We enter your presence

Introductory Rite

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Praise the Lord:

Praise God, you servants of the Lord.

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Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Blessed be God's Name, now and forever

#### The Gloria

As we gather now together Lifting hearts in glorious praise Fill us with your Holy Spirit Let your glory touch this place Let us hear the sound of heaven
Like a mighty rushing wind
Sacred flame from off the altar
Burning every trace of sin. [Refrain]

#### [Refrain]

Glory be to God the Father Glory be to God the Son Glory be to God the Spirit God eternal Three in One As we worship in your presence
Tongues of fire descend we pray
Holy Spirit, move upon us
Clothe us with your power today. [Refrain]

Music by Scott Cameron, 2015 Sung by Ven Moses Thabethe

# Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
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.

#### The Kyrie

Morena, Morena re hauhele Morena, Morena re hauhele Morena, Morena re hauhele Morena, Morena re hauhele

Kriste, Kriste re hauhele Kriste, Kriste, re hauhele Kriste, Kriste, re hauhele,

Morena, Morena re hauhele Morena, Morena re hauhele Morena, Morena re hauhele Morena, Morena re hauhele



#### The Penitence

Let us ask God's forgiveness for the times we have failed to accept the fullness of life God has given us through wrong action and inaction:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father
in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you
through our own fault
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your Name.

#### Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you: pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Collect

God of unchangeable power,
you have revealed yourself to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit:
keep us firm in this faith
that we may praise and bless your holy name,
for you are one God,
living and reigning in glory
now and forever. Amen

# The Word of God

Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29

Romans 8: 12-17

### Gospel Acclamation

Allelu---ia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu—ia, Alleluia

Let your hearts rejoice in the Lord Let your word proclaim his deeds Let your voice sing out to the world That our God has come to save

Allelu---ia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu—ia, Alleluia



# Gospel Reading

John 3:1-17

The Sermon

by Revd. Alison Thabethe

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Prayers of Intercession

Gracious Lord, and loving Father, you created the world and its inhabitants out of your inherent and perfect love. As you continue to be present to the world in your creative activity, we pray that your will for creation and for the world would realised.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

Almighty God, before the world was created your Holy Spirit brooded over the dark waters. We pray, Holy Spirit, that you would continue to breathe life into the world in our present day. Help us to call on you in situations of despair and hopelessness and to be agents of your change and regeneration.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

Lord God, two thousand years ago you sent your Son into the world in human form and thereby initiated a plan of salvation and redemption for all creation. As you continue your saving work in the world, help us to always to look to your Son, the founder and perfecter of our faith and remind us that your promises are sure and never fail. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer** 

Lord Jesus Christ, when you ascended to heaven and assumed your place once more as third person in the Trinity, you completed God's act of redemption by taking with you your human nature. Help us to recognise and realise the



redemption you achieved for us and always to live our lives in light of this. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer** 

Lord God, in the midst of the third wave of the COVID19 pandemic we pray that you would come to us in our hour of need. We pray for the effective and expedient roll out of vaccines in our country and indeed throughout the world. In light of possible social restrictions, we ask that peoples' lives and livelihoods would be protected. Be with all doctors and medical staff, Lord. May you strengthen and sustain them.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

We give you thanks for the peace brokered in Palestine. We pray for a lasting, peaceful and just solution for all those concerned. May your hand of blessing be upon the Holy Land, Lord. Grant us, and all people, a spirit of tolerance and a willingness to understand each other and may we always seek to find common goals rather than focus on our differences.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer

# Prayer for Offering

Lord of love and life, when we look at creation we see that abundance and variety are part of your essential nature. Help us to be good stewards of everything you have blessed us with. May we too be agents of your life-giving power in our provision to those with less. Bless these the gifts of thy servants that they may further the work of your kingdom and so communicate your abundant life to others. In the name of the one Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

#### The Lord's Prayer

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 them that 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.

(St Michael's Choir)

# Prayer of Thanksgiving

Father and creator of all the universe, we thank you for your love and the life with which you have blessed us. All-compassionate Son, your love knows no bounds. We thank you for the ministry for which you have commissioned us. Holy Spirit, uplifter of the downtrodden, we thank you for the power you bestow upon us. May all praise and glory be unto you, one God, Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 



# Final Blessing

May God, the Father, who created you and named you keep you ever in his care. May God, the Son, who loved you and saved you, communicate to you his compassionate love. May God, the Holy Spirit, who emboldens and empowers you, kindle a fire within your heart. May these three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve and keep you, now and forever. **Amen.** 



Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

#### Recessional Hymn

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim down before thee which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed trinity!

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