

Teign Valley & Haldon Hill Mission Community
Scattered Church: Worship at home on 05/07/26 Trinity 5

Hymn

All ye who seek a comfort sure
in trouble and distress,
whatever sorrow vex the mind,
or guilt the soul oppress:

Jesus, who gave himself for you
upon the cross to die,
opens to you his sacred heart;
O, to that heart draw nigh.

Ye hear how kindly he invites;
ye hear his words so blest:
"All ye that labour, come to me,
and I will give you rest."

O Jesus, joy of saints on high,
thou hope of sinners here,
attracted by those loving words
to thee I lift my prayer.

18th Century Latin transl. Edward Caswall 1814-1878

Grace, mercy and peace be with you
and also with you.

The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all.
Let us come to him, in sorrow for our sins, seeking healing and salvation.

Friend of sinners, you bring hope in our despair.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Healer of the sick, you give strength in our weakness.
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Destroyer of evil, you bring life in our dying.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

cf Titus 2.11

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the warhorse from Jerusalem;
and the battle-bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, “We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’

At that time Jesus said, ‘I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Reflection

(Dial 01647 407047 to hear it again during the week)

Affirmation of faith

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

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

I 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?

I 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?

I 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.**

Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in the risen Christ, let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

**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.

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Notices

**God of power,
may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and worship you,
now and always.**

Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing;
and the blessing of almighty God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn

Christ, whose glory fills the skies
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near,
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by Thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till Thy mercy's beams I see,
Till Thou inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiancy divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more Thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

Charles Wesley 1707-1788

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Telephone Services

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Sundays at 9am: Sunday Worship – a half hour Service of the Word: hymns, readings and prayers

Church Services

July 5 Trinity 5	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
July 12 Trinity 6	10.30am MC HC St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford
July 19 Trinity 7	10.30am MC HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
July 26 St James the Apostle	10.30am MC HC St James Christow 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford 4.00pm Forest Church Ashton
Aug 2 Trinity 9	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Aug 9 Trinity 10	10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Aug 16 Trinity 11	10.30am HC St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford
Aug 23 Trinity 12	10.30am MC HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Aug 30 Trinity 13	10.30am MC HC St Mary Dunsford
Sept 6 Trinity 14	10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Sept 13 Trinity 15	10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Sept 20 Trinity 16	10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Sept 27 Trinity 17	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford 4.00pm Forest Church Ashton

Oct 4 Trinity 18

10.30am HC St John the Baptist Ashton

10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh

10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford

Oct 11 Trinity 19

10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving St Thomas Becket Bridford

10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving St Mary Dunsford

11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving St Michael & All Angels

Dunchideock

**Oct 18 Luke the
Evangelist**

10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford

11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving St James Christow

16.30am Harvest Thanksgiving St Michael Doddiscombsleigh

**Oct 25 Last after
Trinity**

10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford

10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford

4.00pm Forest Church Ashton

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