



The Church of the Good Shepherd, Brighton

# Trinity Sunday

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026



Please pray:

For the life of Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

For The Diocese of Chichester Academies Trust.

For Nicholas Dunn-Coleman, and the other candidates at the Deanery Confirmation.

For neighbours in Chalfont Drive.

For Elias, Pauline Grimstone, Veronica Holden, Paul Thompson, Trevor, Robin, Rols Ham-Riche, Sarah, Michael Miller, Jess, Carole, Roger Grady, Jenny Smith, AJ.

Recently departed: Ruben Ezekiel Dench, Margaret Marshall, Chitra Banerjee.

For the departed: Norman Dewick, Tim Parker.

*Welcome to The Church of the Good Shepherd. This sheet has everything you need to follow what is going on. The writing in the red italics gives instructions. The text in normal type will be spoken by a priest, reader or other member of the congregation. We all join in with the bold type, including the hymns.*

*Please stand when the bell rings and the altar party enters.*

## **Processional Hymn**

*NEH 146*

- 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 falling down before thee,**  
**Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**
  
- 3 Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,**  
**Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,**  
**Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee**  
**Perfect in power, 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!**

*Reginald Heber (1783-1826)*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*We remain standing as the priest introduces the celebration. We say the Prayer of Preparation.*

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

### **The Penitential Rite**

*The priest invites us to call to mind our sins.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

### **The Gloria**

**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. Amen.**

*Festival Eucharist, Rawsthorne*

*We remain standing for the Collect:*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**The Liturgy of the Word**  
**First Reading**

*Isaiah 40:12-17,27-end*

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?  
Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,  
or as his counsellor has instructed him?  
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?  
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.  
Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.  
All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

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’?  
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.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We remain seated for the psalm. The Choir sing the verses, and we are encouraged to join in with the Gloria at the end.*

## Psalm

### *Psalm 8 (Chant: Lewes)*

- 1 O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world \*  
thou that has set thy glory above the heavens!
- 2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained  
strength, because of thine enemies \*  
that thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger.
- 3 For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers \*  
the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.
- 4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him \*  
and the son of man, that thou visitest him?
- 5 Thou madest him lower than the angels \*  
to crown him with glory and worship.
- 6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands \*  
and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;
- 7 All sheep and oxen \*  
yea, and the beasts of the field;
- 8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea \*  
and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

9 O Lord our Governor \*

how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;\***

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## Second Reading

*2 Corinthians 13:11-end*

Brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel

*We stand for the Gospel reading.*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is and who was and who is to come.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Matthew 28:16-20*

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.'

*And the end of the Gospel:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## The Sermon

*We sit for the sermon.*

## The Creed

*Please stand for the Creed.*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## The Intercessions

*If you are able, we remain standing. In the intercessions, we make the response:*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

## The Peace

*Please remain standing as the celebrant introduces the Peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*During the Offertory Hymn, the Gifts of Bread and Wine are presented by the people. A collection is taken. There is also a Card machine at the back of the church. You are welcome to use it at the end of the service if you would like to make any donation.*

**Offertory Hymn**  
*NEH 373*

- 1** How shall I sing that majesty  
Which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
Thy throne, O God most high;  
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
Thy praise; but who am I?
  
- 2** Thy brightness unto them appears,  
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my ears,  
But they behold thy face.  
They sing because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
For where heaven is but once begun  
There alleluyas be.
  
- 3** Enlighten with faith's light my heart,  
Inflame it with love's fire;  
Then shall I sing and bear a part  
With that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
With all my fire and light;  
Yet when thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.
  
- 4** How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
Which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
To sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
A sun without a sphere;  
Thy time is now and evermore,  
Thy place is everywhere.

*John Mason (1645-1694)*

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*We remain standing. The Invitation to Prayer is said:*

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

*The priest then prays the Prayer over the Gifts to which we respond:*

**Amen.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The priest praises God for his mighty acts, and we sing the Sanctus and Benedictus:*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the Highest.  
Blessed is he who comes,  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the Highest.**

*Festival Eucharist, Rawsthorne*

*The priest prays the prayer of consecration, and this acclamation is said:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

*The Prayer continues, leading into the doxology, which ends*

... for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*The priest introduces 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 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.**

## **Breaking of Bread**

*The priest breaks the consecrated host:*

We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

*We sit or kneel, and sing the Agnus Dei:*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
grant us peace.**

*Festival Eucharist, Rawsthorne*

## **Giving of Communion**

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to  
receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*If you are baptised in the name of the Trinity, and are used to receiving communion, you are very welcome to do so here. Otherwise, you may like to come forward for a blessing. Please bring this sheet with you to indicate that you would like a blessing.*

*Please do not intinct. If you are unwell, please help us to keep those who are immunocompromised safe by refraining from taking the chalice. It is perfectly valid to receive the bread only.*

*As truly as God is our Father, William Mathias*

## **Communion Hymn**

*NEH 360*

- 1 Firmly I believe and truly  
God is Three, and God is One;  
And I next acknowledge duly  
Manhood taken by the Son.**
- 2 And I trust and hope most fully  
In that Manhood crucified;  
And each thought and deed unruly  
Do to death, as he has died.**
- 3 Simply to his grace and wholly  
Light and life and strength belong,  
And I love supremely, solely,  
Him the holy, him the strong.**
- 4 And I hold in veneration,  
For the love of him alone,  
Holy Church as his creation,  
And her teachings are his own.**
- 5 Adoration ay be given,  
With and through the angelic host,  
To the God of earth and heaven,  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*St John Henry Newman (1801-1890)*

## Post Communion

*We stand as the priest prays:*

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*We pray together:*

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

## The Notices

*Please sit for the notices. After the notices, please stand.*

## The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

God the Father,  
who first loved us and made us accepted in the beloved Son,  
bless and keep you.

**Amen.**

God the Son,  
who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood,  
interceded for you at the Father's right hand.

**Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,  
who sheds abroad the love of God in our hearts,  
fill you with his love.

**Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.  
Thanks be to God.

**Recessional Hymn**  
*NEH 343*

- 1 Bright the vision that delighted  
Once the sight of Judah's seer;  
Sweet the countless tongues united  
To entrance the prophet's ear.
- 2 Round the Lord in glory seated  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Filled his temple, and repeated  
Each to each the alternate hymn:
- 3 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
Earth is with its fullness stored;  
Unto thee be glory given,  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.'
- 4 Heaven is still with glory ringing,  
Earth takes up the angels' cry,  
'Holy, Holy, Holy,' singing,  
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'
- 5 With his seraph train before him,  
With his holy Church below,  
Thus unite we to adore him,  
Bid we thus our anthem flow:
- 6 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
Earth is with its fullness stored;  
Unto thee be glory given,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.'

*Richard Mant (1776-1848)*

**Organ Voluntary**

*Wir glauben all' an einen Gott, the "Giant" Fugue, J S Bach*



## THIS WEEK

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| Monday 1st<br><i>St Justin</i>   |   |
| 10.15am  | Bible Study (Zoom)  |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>  |   |
| 2pm - 4pm  | Tea at The Good Shepherd                                    |
| Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup><br><b>Corpus Christi</b>                        |   |
| 10.30am<br>8pm   | The Eucharist<br>Sung Eucharist                             |
| Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>   |   |
| 2pm - 5pm  | Summer Fair   |
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June<br><b>The First Sunday after<br/>Trinity</b> |   |
| 8.00am<br><b>10.15am</b><br>11.30am                                      | The Eucharist<br><b>Parish Eucharist</b><br>Sunday Snippets |

## NOTICES

**Sunday Snippets** meets this morning. This session is for anyone who is a welcomer/sidesperson in church, and for anyone who would be interested in joining this ministry.

This Thursday (4<sup>th</sup> June) is the feast of **Corpus Christi**. There will be a Eucharist as normal at 10.30am as well as a Sung Eucharist at 8pm.

Our **Summer Fair** is on Saturday 6th June from 2pm-5pm. We are looking for donations of small prizes for the tombola, as well as children's books, jewellery, plants and cakes, old crockery and old keys. we really need more helpers for the day - please do sign up on the list at the back.

The **Summer Fair Raffle** tickets are now on sale. Please take home an envelope of tickets to buy, and to sell to friends and family. Stubs and money should be returned to Zena Kelly or Margaret Rose. 1st Prize - £100, 2nd Prize - £100 voucher for the Gingerman Group restaurants, 3rd Prize - Meal for two (excluding drinks) at The Chilli Pickle, plus lots more prizes.

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June we will be joined by representatives from **Beachy Head Chaplaincy** who are one of our charities for this year. There will be a collection and a presentation about their work.

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