**Morning Prayer on The Last Sunday after Trinity**

Sunday 27 October 2024 at 9.30 (call in from 9.15)

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Preparation

O Lord, open our lips
**and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Blessed are you, creator of all,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
As your dawn renews the face of the earth
bringing light and life to all creation,
may we rejoice in this day you have made;
as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep,
open our eyes to behold your presence
and strengthen our hands to do your will,
that the world may rejoice and give you praise.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
**Blessed be God for ever.**

*after Lancelot Andrewes (1626)*



We gather in the light and love
of God who calls us his children.
**We gather in the glow of our
Christian family here wherever we are.**
May God’s love burn within us.
**May hard hearts melt like wax,
and God’s love shine in our faces,
as we worship the God who is love.**

We come to worship the God of love.
We come to worship Jesus, who shows us how to love.
We come to worship the Holy Spirit,
who inspires and awakens love in our hearts.
Be with us now, O God,
as we come to worship!
**Amen.**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

***Silence is kept.***

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever.
**Amen.**

**The Word of God**

*First reading:* Job 42: 1-6, 10-17

**42**Then Job replied to the Lord:

**2**“I know that you can do all things;
    no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
**3**You asked, ‘Who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge?’
    Surely I spoke of things I did not understand,
    things too wonderful for me to know.

**4**“You said, ‘Listen now, and I will speak;
    I will question you,
    and you shall answer me.’
**5**My ears had heard of you
    but now my eyes have seen you.
**6**Therefore I despise myself
    and repent in dust and ashes.”

**10**After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. **11**All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the Lord had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=job%2042&version=NIV#fen-NIV-13934a)] and a gold ring.

**12**The Lord blessed the latter part of Job’s life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. **13**And he also had seven sons and three daughters. **14**The first daughter he named Jemimah, the second Keziah and the third Keren-Happuch. **15**Nowhere in all the land were there found women as beautiful as Job’s daughters, and their father granted them an inheritance along with their brothers.

**16**After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. **17**And so Job died, an old man and full of years.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Psalmody

Psalm 1

**The Lord knows the way of the righteous.**

1    Blessed are they who have not walked

in the counsel of the wicked,

nor lingered in the way of sinners,

nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.

2    Their delight is in the law of the Lord

and they meditate on his law day and night.

3    Like a tree planted by streams of water

bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither,

whatever they do, it shall prosper.

**The Lord knows the way of the righteous.**

4    As for the wicked, it is not so with them;

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5    Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement,

nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.

6    For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked shall perish.

**The Lord knows the way of the righteous.**

Christ our wisdom,

give us delight in your law,

that we may bear fruits of patience and peace

in the kingdom of the righteous;

for your mercy’s sake.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

*Second reading* Mark 10: 46-52

**46**Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means “son of Timaeus”), was sitting by the roadside begging. **47**When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

**48**Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

**49**Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” **50**Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

**51**“What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

**52**“Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We pause to reflect on the readings before turning to prayer.*



**Intercessions**

We have heard God,
**and now we see God.**

We see God in the opportunity for children and schools to take a break and rest. We see God in the opportunities to relax, do different things and use our creativity. We give thanks.

We see God in the changing seasons, the sun and rain, and the colours of the autumn leaves. We see God in the light at dawn and the autumn fruits. We give thanks.

We have heard God,
**and now we see God.**

We see God in the light of our world, the places of good news and joy and the people who bring light to us. We see God in the new creations that he breathes life into every day. We give thanks.

We see God in the saints of the past – those well-known, and those who were saints for us. We see God in the example they give us, and the hope they shared. We give thanks.

We have heard God,
**and now we see God.**

We see God in the amazing advances and discoveries in science that help us understand the created world. We give thanks for things that are used to help people heal. We give thanks.

We see God in the happiness of birthdays, celebrations and anniversaries. We give thanks for opportunities to gather with others and share good things. We give thanks.

We have heard God,
**and now we see God.**

We pray for our own church, town and community. We pray for the challenges faced by people who have difficult decisions to make and who face the unknown. We pray for the sick and the lonely, and all who feel unloved or abandoned. We remember especially ……………... We pray for those who have life-limiting illnesses, that they may face them with strength and trust in you.

We have heard and seen,
**and now we pray to God.**

We pray for the needs of the world, and again we think of the conflicts in the Middle East and Ukraine. We pray for those who are too young to understand the trauma that surrounds them and those who are too distressed to see any future. We pray for those who have the power to bring pain, death and horror to an end, and those that seem to have no understanding of the chaos being caused.

We have heard and seen,
**and now we pray to God.**

We pray for this time of the year, when it can seem that fun is being made out of things that are sacred and special. We pray for those disturbed and upset by the darkness and horror. We pray for those who hide in their homes, worried about ‘trick or treat’. We pray that all people will look beyond the darkness and see the light of those who have gone before, whose light shines on us.

**Amen**

The Collect of the Last Sunday after Trinity

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen.**

Merciful Father,

*All* **accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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 Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
and keep us in eternal life.
**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.
**Thanks be to God.**

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Thurs 14th November - Templeton Village Hall

Contact the church office to book 01884 250417

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**Tuesday November 26th at 2.30pm**

If you would like to come, please let me know so that there are the right number of

handouts. Many thanks. Tim Gorringe t.j.gorringe@exeter.ac.uk

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