**Morning Prayer on Trinity Sunday**

Sunday 15 June 2025 at 9.30 (call in from 9.15)

Join Zoom Meeting

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**Preparation**

Today, we remember that the divine being we worship is known to us as three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This is a difficult concept to grasp, but we can think of it as meaning that God is with us in three different ways. God created the world; God came to live in the world as a human being in Jesus; and God’s Spirit continues to live in our world, carrying on the work of Jesus. Thus, we always have God’s threefold presence.

 Come, let us worship the Father, who created the world.

 Come, let us worship the Son, who entered the world.

 Come, let us worship in the Spirit, God’s gift to the world.

In the name of the living God,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

O Lord, open our lips

*All* **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

 The peace that comes through God invites us in.
 The grace that Jesus brings invites us in.
 The love of the Spirit invites us in.
 God, the most mysterious and awe-inspiring Trinity,
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 we lay aside our humble concerns,
 we accept your invitation,
 we enter your glorious presence.
 We come to worship you. **Amen.**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;

let us pray with one heart and mind.



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.

*All* **Amen.**

**A prayer of confession**

 God the Father,
 I confess my love of you because of your wondrous creation;
 yet we have wasted your gifts.

 Jesus, Son of God,
 I confess my love of you because you are human, like me;
 yet we have not loved others.

 Holy Spirit, I confess my love of you
 because of the fruits and gifts you bestow;
 you come in gentleness, and also in power.
 yet we have been selfish and self-seeking.

 Holy Trinity, we praise you: forgive our weakness.
 **Amen.**

 **Assurance of forgiveness**

We are reconciled to God through Jesus.
**Praise be to God!**
May the God whose love has been poured out
into our hearts through the Holy Spirit,
bless us with the forgiveness and peace that only he can bring.
We go forward in you, as your forgiven people.
**Praise be to God! Amen.**

**The Word of God**

First Reading: Romans 5: 1-5

### Peace and Hope

**5**Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans%205&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28049a)] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, **2**through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans%205&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28050b)] boast in the hope of the glory of God. **3**Not only so, but we[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans%205&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28051c)] also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; **4**perseverance, character; and character, hope. **5**And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*  **Thanks be to God**

Psalmody Psalm 8

**1    O Lord our governor,**

**how glorious is your name in all the world!**

2    Your majesty above the heavens is praised

out of the mouths of babes at the breast.

**3    You have founded a stronghold against your foes,**

**that you might still the enemy and the avenger.**

4    When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have ordained,

**5    What is man, that you should be mindful of him;**

**the son of man, that you should seek him out?**

6    You have made him little lower than the angels

and crown him with glory and honour.

**7    You have given him dominion over the works of your hands**

**and put all things under his feet,**

8    All sheep and oxen,

even the wild beasts of the field,

**9    The birds of the air, the fish of the sea**

**and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.**

10  O Lord our governor,

how glorious is your name in all the world!

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

*All* **as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and shall be for ever.**

**Amen.**

*Acclamation*

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Glory to the Father.

Glory to the Son.

Glory to the Holy Spirit.

One God, who was, and is,

and is to come.

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Second Reading: John 16: 12-15

**12**“I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. **13**But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. **14**He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. **15**All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*  **Thanks be to God**

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

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**Prayers of intercession**

Living God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
we thank you that you are a God of positivity and power and entrust to you our fragmented world so vulnerable and so drained by negativity.

We pray for the people of Ukraine and of Russia; of Turkey and Syria; of Israel and Palestine;  of Serbia and the Balkans; for the continent of Africa; for the people of our own nation and for all places in the world that are on our hearts where there is division, hardship, climatic challenges and suffering.
Empower the peace makers, resource the aid workers,
and unite us all with the courage to believe
**that together we can make a difference. Amen.**

We pray for young people sitting exams, and making career choices, that they might feel positive about their abilities and about themselves, and share their aspirations and creativity and beauty with their little corner of the world.
Empower their teachers and mentors, resource their schools and places of learning,
and unite us all with the courage to believe
**that together we can make a difference. Amen**

We pray for one another, our families, our friends, our church, our community, as we live out the adventure you have called each of us on, with the challenges, the opportunities, the privileges and the responsibilities.

We remember especially those who are ill, especially…. those who are grieving, especially….

Empower those who are in positions of influence, resource those who are carers, encouragers and providers,
and unite us all with the courage to believe
**that together we can make a difference. Amen.**

Collect for Trinity Sunday

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.

*All* **Amen.**

*The Lord’s Prayer*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

*All* **Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today day our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours**

**now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

Blessing

God the Holy Trinity

make us strong in faith and love,

defend us on every side,

and guide us in truth and peace;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among us and remain with us

and those whom we love and pray for

today and always.

*All* **Amen.**

**A sending out prayer**

 Fellowship of the Trinity,
 Three-in-One and One-in-Three,
 in your presence, enfold me.

 Comfort me in times of pain;
 send me sunshine in the rain;
 help me to stand strong again.

 Strong in faith, mountains to move;
 strong in power, your love to prove;
 strong in love, your people soothe.
 **Amen.**

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**What’s on ….**

**Exe Valley Community Lunches**

The next lunch is at Calverleigh Court on July 10th from 12.30pm. Please let the church office know if you will be joining us and if you need transport.

**Prayer Breakfast**

The next prayer breakfast with Steph at The Rectory Withleigh is on 28 June at 9.00am. Everyone is welcome.

**Prayer Chain**

The Exe Valley Mission Community are starting a telephone prayer chain. If you like to be included for prayer or know someone who would like to be included, please contact Steph at the church office 01884 250417. Only first initials will be used on the prayer chain to ensure total confidentiality.

**Coffee and Chat with Steph**

Steph will be at Banburys from 10.15am on Friday June 20th for coffee and a chat if you would like to join her.

**Contacting Church Office**

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