



TRINITY SUNDAY  
CORPORATE COMMUNION  
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## Welcome

A very warm welcome to St Michael's today for the great Feast of the Holy Trinity. It is a joy to be able to gather as a parish and celebrate this feast day together.

Today's service is a service of Holy Communion. Please follow the direction of the Sidespersons to the distribution point for Holy Communion. If you require a gluten free wafer, please let one of the Sidespersons know.

If it is not your custom to receive Holy Communion, but you would like to receive a blessing, please bring this service booklet with you to indicate your wish to the minister.

Thanks are due to all those who are involved in the leading of today's service, and to those who have worked behind the scenes to prepare for our worship today.

Finally, please do stay for refreshments and a time of fellowship following the service.

Wishing you all a blessed Trinity Sunday.

*The Revd Dr Jennifer Brown, Team Rector*

# THE GATHERING

¶ *Introit: Sanctus by Frans Schubert, sung by the choir; followed by the Processional HYMN, NEH 146*

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!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

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.

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!

*Words Reginald Heber 1783-1826*

**Priest** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
*All* **Amen.**

## The Greeting

**Priest** The Lord be with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**

¶ *The **president** offers an informal welcome to the congregation and introduces the service. The **assisting priest** invites the people to confess their sins.*

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us  
by the Holy Spirit.  
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,  
all slander and malice,  
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

## Prayer of Penitence

**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.**

¶ *The president pronounces the absolution.*

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 is sung.*

**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

**Priest** Let us pray

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.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### The Readings

¶ *The Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end. At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

¶ *The New Testament Reading, 2 Corinthians 13.11-end. At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

¶ *The Gradual HYMN, NEH 360.*

Firmly I believe and truly  
God is Three and God is One;  
And I next acknowledge duly  
Manhood taken by the Son.

And I trust and hope most fully  
In that Manhood crucified;  
And each thought and deed unruly  
Do to death, as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly  
Light and life and strength belong,  
And I love supremely, solely,  
Him the holy, him the strong.

And I hold in veneration,  
For the love of him alone,  
Holy Church as his creation,  
And her teachings as his own.

Adoration ay be given,  
With and through the angelic host,  
To the God of earth and heaven,  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Words John Henry Newman 1801-90*

## The Gospel Reading

¶ *The acclamation heralds the Gospel reading:*

**Choir** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia alleluia.**

¶ *When the Gospel is announced the gospeller says:*

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according  
to Matthew. *[Matthew 28.16-end]*

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¶ *At the end of the Gospel:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you O Christ.**

## *The Sermon*

## 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.**

## Prayers of Intercession

*¶ These responses to the prayers may be used:*

*All*      Lord in your mercy    or    Lord, hear us.  
**Hear our prayer.**                      **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*¶ At the end of the prayers, the following may be used:*

*All*      Merciful Father,  
**Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our  
Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## The Peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the Triune God be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

¶ *The offertory HYMN, NEH 159*

I bind unto myself today  
The strong name of the Trinity  
By invocation of the same,  
The Three in One and One in Three.

I bind this day to me forever,  
By power of faith, Christ's incarnation,  
His baptism in the Jordan river,  
His death on cross for my salvation,  
His bursting from the spiced tomb,  
His riding up the heavenly way,  
His coming at the day of doom,  
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the power  
Of the great love of Cherubim;  
The sweet 'Well done' in judgement hour;  
The service of the Seraphim,  
Confessors' faith, Apostles' word,  
The Patriarchs' prayers, the Prophets' scrolls,

All good deeds done unto the Lord,  
And purity of virgin souls.

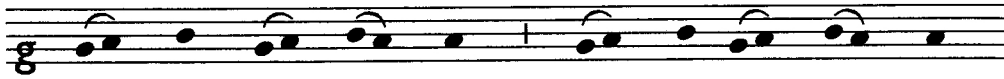
I bind unto myself today  
The virtues of the starlit heaven,  
The glorious sun's life-giving ray,  
The whiteness of the moon at even,  
The flashing of the lightning free,  
The whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,  
The stable earth, the deep salt sea  
Around the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today  
The power of God to hold and lead,  
His eye to watch, his might to stay,  
His ear to hearken to my need,  
The wisdom of my God to teach,  
His hand to guide, his shield to ward,  
The word of God to give me speech,  
His heavenly host to be my guard.

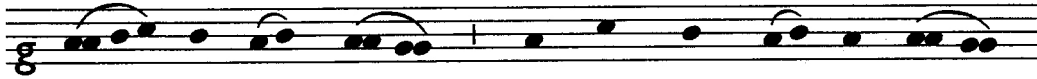
I bind unto myself the name,  
The strong name of the Trinity  
By invocation of the same,  
The Three in One and One in Three,  
Of whom all nature has creation,  
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word.  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation;  
Salvation is of Christ the Lord!

*St Patrick 372-466  
Tr Mrs C.F. Alexander 1818-95*

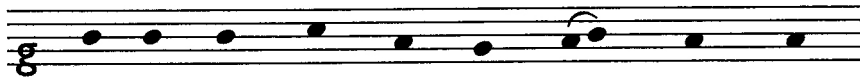
# The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you R. and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. R. **We lift them to the Lord.**



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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

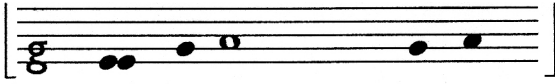
¶ *The president leads the people in thanksgiving for God's goodness towards us, ending,*

... we sing for ever of your glory:

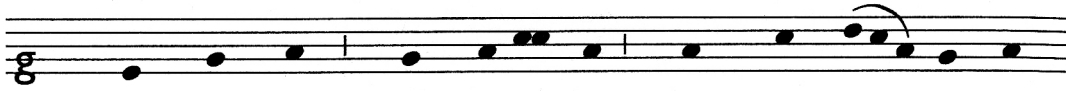
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

¶ *In our name, bread and wine are taken and blessed, as Christ has commanded us to do. We are then invited by the assisting priest to acclaim Christ,*

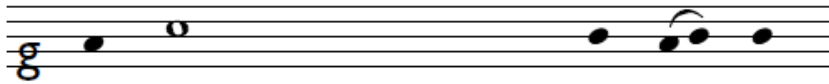


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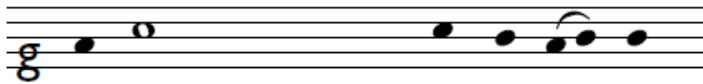


**Christ has died: Christ is ris-en: Christ will come a-gain.**

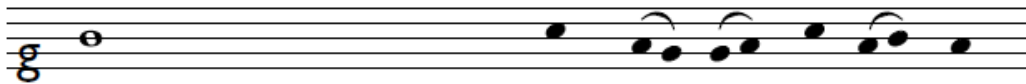
*Recalling the death and resurrection of our Saviour we ask God to look upon the sacrifice of Christ his Son, and to unite us with the whole Church, living and departed, in the Kingdom of God, ending,*



by whom, and with whom, and in whom,



in the unity of the Ho-ly Spi-rit,



all honour and glory be yours, al-migh-ty Fa-ther,



for ev-er and ev-er. **A-men.**

## The Lord's Prayer

**Priest** Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us,

*All* **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 Breaking of the Bread

**Priest** We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.  
*All* **Though we are many, we are one body, because we  
all share in one bread.**

*¶ All then sing together:*

**Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy upon us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy upon us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

## The Giving of Communion

*¶ The president invites the people to receive Holy Communion.*

**Priest:** Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of  
the world. Blessed are those who are called to his  
supper.

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

*¶ The choir sing an anthem Hymn to the Holy Trinity – based on a  
traditional Maori melody, music and words adapted by Graham  
Howell.*

¶ *Communion HYMN, NEH 144, tune NEH 210.*

Father most holy, merciful, and tender;  
Jesus, our Saviour, with the Father reigning;  
Spirit all-kindly, Advocate, Defender,  
Light never waning;

Trinity blessed, Unity unshaken,  
Deity perfect, giving and forgiving,  
Light of the angels, Life of the forsaken,  
Hope of all living;

Maker of all things, all thy creatures praise thee;  
Lo, all things serve thee through thy whole creation;  
Hear us, Almighty, hear us as we raise thee,  
Heart's adoration.

To the all-ruling triune God be glory:  
Highest and greatest, help thou our endeavour,  
We too would praise thee, giving honour worthy,  
Now and forever. Amen.

*Latin c 10<sup>th</sup> century  
Tr. Percy Dearmer 1867-1936*

## Prayer after Communion

¶ *Silence is kept. The priest invites the people:*

**Priest** Let us pray.  
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.**

**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 Sending Out

¶ *Announcements and notices for the week are given.*

¶ *The blessing:*

The Lord bless you and keep you: **Amen.**

The Lord make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious to you: **Amen.**

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace: **Amen.**

The Lord God almighty, + Father, Son, and Holy  
Spirit, the holy and undivided Trinity,  
guard you, save you,  
and bring you to that heavenly city,  
where he lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

**Assisting Priest**      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*All*                      **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

¶ *The final HYMN, NEH 466.*

Thou whose almighty word  
Chaos and darkness heard,  
And took their flight;

Hear us we humbly pray,  
And where the gospel-day  
Sheds not its glorious ray  
Let there be light

Thou who didst come to bring  
On thy redeeming wing  
Healing and sight,  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
Let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy Dove,  
Speed forth thy flight;  
Move o'er the waters' face,  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light.

Blessèd and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
Boundless as ocean's tide  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world far and wide  
Let there be light.

*Words John Marriott 1780-1825*

¶ *The altar party depart, followed by the choir.*

*Organ voluntary: Final from Symphonie No. 1 by Louis Vierne.*