

Morning Prayer from St Gall's Church

The Second Sunday of Trinity

13th June 2021

Welcome & Greeting

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise & thanksgiving, to hear & receive God's holy word, to seek the forgiveness of our sins, & to pray for the needs of the world, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

O Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth will proclaim your praise.

Let us worship the Lord.

All praise to his name.

Hymn 528 : The Church's One Foundation

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God.

Romans 6: 10

Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

O God, our loving Father in heaven, we confess that we have sinned against you; we have broken your commandments; we have often been selfish, and we have not loved you as we should. For these, and all our sins, forgive us, we pray: through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The priest pronounces the absolution.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Your word is a lantern to my feet
and a light upon our path.



O Lord, your word is everlasting:
it stands firm for ever in the heavens.
Let us then receive the word of the Lord.
so may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.

Psalm 20

May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble,
the name of the God of Jacob defend you;
Send you help from his sanctuary
and strengthen you out of Zion;
Remember all your offerings
and accept your burnt sacrifice;
Grant you your heart's desire
and fulfil all your mind.
May we rejoice in your salvation and triumph in the name of our God;
may the Lord perform all your petitions.
Now I know that the Lord will save his anointed;
**he will answer him from his holy heaven, with the mighty strength of his
right hand.**
Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we will call only on the name of the Lord our God.
They are brought down and fallen,
but we are risen and stand upright.
O Lord, save the king
and answer us when we call upon you.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen**

1st Lesson : 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 11-13, 14-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Canticle - BENEDICTUS The Song of Zechariah Luke 1: 68-79

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
who has come to his people and set them free.
The Lord has raised up for us a mighty saviour,
born of the house of his servant David.
Through the holy prophets God promised of old
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of those who hate us,
to show mercy to our forebears,
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hand of our enemies.
Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous before him all the days of our life.
And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God.
the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

To shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.

2nd Lesson : Mark 4: 26-34

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Sermon : Bishop Alan Abernethy

The Affirmation of Faith. We stand together.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit who gives life to the people of God?

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.

Hymn 643 ; Be thou My Vision

We come now to our intercessions. Let us pray.

We use this response :

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

The Collect for the 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, we pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today 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.

The Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Hymn 358 : King of Glory, King of Peace

Prayer of Dismissal

The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

Church Notices

Next Sunday - The Second Sunday after Trinity - 13th June

8.30 a.m. Early Holy Communion. Everyone welcome .
Please note: Bring bread and wine for socially distanced Communion
10 a.m. Morning Prayer

Mid Week Holy Communion - 10.30 on Wednesdays

This service will be held in the main church to allow for ample social distancing.

The service of Holy Communion will be held as per our previous Holy Communion services with members of the congregation bringing along their own bread and wine.

Communion will be received in your own seat. Share the good news! All welcome!

Worship on Sunday

It would be lovely to have an organist of our own. However, that is proving to be something of a challenge at the moment so we are making our own music.
Question : Are you a pianist? A musician? Guitar? Flute? Some new instrument you've learned in lockdown and would love to share? Would you like to help with worship on a Sunday? Get in touch with the Rector if you'd like to help.

Church Magazine

Please note : A July edition of the magazine is planned for collection on the last Sunday of June. If you have anything you would like to contribute for the next magazine please send it in for the 14th June. That's tomorrow!

Christian Aid 2021

Neil & Claire Farmer along with the Reverend Jim Bates
Sponsored walking to support Christian Aid! Can you support them?

For Claire type in this link : <https://bit.ly/3bpeMfp>

For Jim - look in church!

More details online. Check our Facebook & Twitter
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