

The Parish of Hempsted with St Mary de Lode
and St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester
in partnership with Gloucester Cathedral

We sing or say the hymn

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness
morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

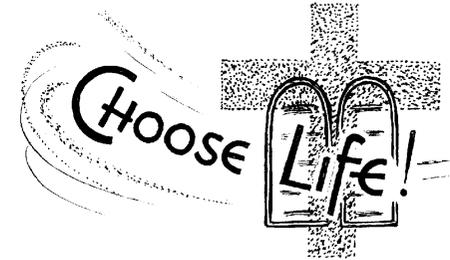
Summer and winter, springtime and harvest
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and peace that endureth
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.

Blessing

Go in peace.
May we all be held in the hollow of God's hand
for healing and comfort,
surrounded each day by the presence of love
and covered by the warm bright wings of the Spirit.
And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer
be with you this day and always.

Trinity 15
12 September 2021



Opening Greeting

We come from scattered lives to meet with God.
Let us recognise God's presence with us.

Silence is kept

As God's people we have gathered:
let us worship God together.

Praise be to the Holy Trinity! God is sound and life, Creator of the universe,
source of all life, whom angels sing, wondrous Light of all mysteries known
and unknown to humankind, life that lives in all.

Hildegard of Bingen

We sing or say

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him, King of glory now;
tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation sprang at once to sight,
all the angels' faces, all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations, stars upon their way,
all the heavenly order in their great array.



Humbled for a season, to receive a name
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came;
faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious, when from death he passed.

Bore it up triumphant with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures to the central height,
to the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast,
filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

Truly, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel-train;
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him, King of glory now.

We say Sorry to God and we Receive God's Forgiveness

Christ came in humility to share our lives: forgive our pride.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ came with good news for all people: forgive our silence.
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Christ came in love to a world of suffering: forgive our self-centredness.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of love call *you* back, forgive *you* your sins,
and assure *you* of eternal love in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The Prayer for Today

Lord God, defend your church from false teaching and give to your people
knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

Bible reading: Mark 8:27-38

Reflection (attached)

We Declare our Faith

We belong to the Creator in whose image we are all made.

**In God we are breathing, in God we are living, in God we share the life of
all creation.**

We belong to Jesus Christ, the true icon of God and of humankind.

**In him God is breathing, in him God is living, through him we are
reconciled.**

We belong to the Holy Spirit, who gives us new life and strengthens our
faith.

**In the Spirit life is breathing, in the Spirit truth is living, the breath of God
always moves us.**

We belong to the Holy Trinity, who is one in all and Three-in-One.

**In God we are all made, in Christ we are all saved, in the Spirit we are all
united.**

Per Harling

Intercessions

*We name before God those people and situations we wish to pray for ending
with **The Lord's Prayer.***

A Prayer in Lockdown

Ever present God, be with us in our isolation, be close to us in our
distancing, be healing in our sickness, be joy in our sadness, be light in our
darkness, be wisdom in our confusion, be all that is familiar when all is
unfamiliar, that when the doors reopen we may with the zeal of Pentecost
inhabit our communities and speak of your goodness to an emerging world.
For Jesus' sake. Amen.

The Peace

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Isaiah 55:12

We offer one another a sign of God's peace