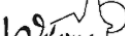


Sunday 30th July 2017 – Trinity 7



W elcome to you today if your heart is singing and welcome if your heart is breaking.

 Welcome if you're anxious about tomorrow and welcome if you don't have a care in the world. Welcome if your conscience is troubling you and welcome if you're barely able to contain your experience of forgiveness. Welcome if you leapt out of bed this morning and welcome if you had to drag yourself out. Welcome if this is your first visit, and welcome if you have barely missed a single Sunday since the turn of the century. Whether you are here as a visitor or a pilgrim, a seeker or a doubter, a saint or a sinner, a friend or a stranger: **you are welcome!** Our service comes from the **Book of Common Prayer (Morning Prayer P101 and Holy Communion P201)**. Hymns come from the **Red Church Hymnal (CH)**. You will also find the relevant parts and supplementary songs on this sheet. If you need further assistance please feel free to ask one of our 'regulars' and they will be only too happy to help you. Toilets and Baby Changing Facilities are beside the church. We hope you enjoy worshipping here with us this morning.

Welcome/Introduction (Book of Common Prayer – P101)

Hymn CH373: To God Be The Glory

Confession/Absolution (Book of Common Prayer – P102)

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; by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. 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.

Hymn CH100: Jesus Loves Me This I Know

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word (Book of Common Prayer – P103)

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

O God, make speed to save us: O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise the Lord: **The Lord's name be praised.**

Psalm 105:1-11 (Book of Common Prayer – P713)

1. O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. 2. Sing to him, sing praises, and tell of all his marvellous works. 3. Rejoice in the praise of his holy name; let the hearts of them rejoice who seek the Lord. 4. Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his face continually. 5. Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgements of his mouth, 6. O seed of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen. 7. He is the Lord our God; his judgements are in all the earth. 8. He has always been mindful of his covenant, the promise that he made for a thousand generations: 9. The covenant he made with Abraham, the oath that he swore to Isaac, 10. Which he established as a statute for Jacob, an everlasting covenant for Israel, 11. Saying, 'To you will I give the land of Canaan to be the portion of your inheritance.'

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

Reading: Romans 8:26-39

²⁶ In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. ²⁷ And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. ²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified. ³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died more than that, who was raised to life is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Hymn CH218: And Can It Be That I Should Gain?

Reading: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

³¹ He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches." ³³ He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough." ⁴⁴ "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. ⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it. ⁴⁷ "Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. ⁴⁸ When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. ⁴⁹ This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹ "Have you understood all these things?" Jesus asked. "Yes," they replied. ⁵² He said to them, "Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old."

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

A Thought!

Hymn CH10: All My Hope On God Is Founded

The Apostles' Creed (Book of Common Prayer – P112)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Book of Common Prayer – P112)

The Lord be with you: **and also with you.**

Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer (Book of Common Prayer – P113)

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.

Show us your mercy, O Lord: **and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers: **and grant our government wisdom.**

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness: **and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, save your people: **and bless those whom you have chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord: **and let your glory be over all the earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us: **and renew us by your Holy Spirit.**

Collect of the Day: Trinity 7

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

At the end of each prayer: Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers: Merciful Father **accept these prayers for the sake of you Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Grace (Book of Common Prayer – P116)

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Announcements

Closing and Offertory Hymn CH384: Lord Thy Word Abideth

Closing Diocesan 20:20 Prayer

Heavenly Father, we want to catch your vision for these dioceses and for our parish. But to catch your vision we first need to listen to you. Too often we leave you out. Forgive us. Help us to catch a sense of where your Spirit is leading. Give us courage to love and serve you. Give us boldness to proclaim Christ faithfully and to build your kingdom. Lord, come to us; our door is open. Amen.

Blessing And Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Virginia Group - Weekly Announcements

Hospital Visits

If you or someone you know is in hospital and you would like a visit please let the Rector know.

Services July 2017

Services as normal

Announcements: Parish General

Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you know someone who might like a shawl (e.g. ill or bereaved) contact Ivy Stewart (049) 8545036 or Vida McCauley (049) 8548465.

Bowling Club: Monday's in Billis Hall at 8pm. Finished Until September.

Girls' Friendly Society: Finished Until September.

Grazers Youth: Finished Until September.

Giggles & Wrigglers (Baby & Toddler Group): Finished Until September.

Whist Drives: July 25th, August 8th and 22nd 2017 from 9pm in Virginia Hall.

Car Boot Sale: Saturday 15th July 2017. Cars €10, Cars and Trailers/Vans €15. Gates open 8am.

Messy Church BBQ: Sunday 23rd July 2017 in Billis Hall from 3pm to 5.30pm.

JOY (Just Older Youth): Our next monthly Joy meeting takes place on **Wednesday 6th September 2017** in Virginia Parish Hall from **2.30pm to 4pm**. A time to catch up, chat, enjoy a cuppa...

Killinkere 200th Anniversary Service: 10th September 2017 at 3pm.

Date of Confirmation: This year's confirmation service will be in **Virginia Church on Sunday 26th November 2017 at 10.45am**. Date of confirmation classes to be confirmed.

Announcements: Diocesan/Community

Virginia Ramblers twice weekly walks for July include Murmod, Munterconnaught, Deerpark Forest, Lislea Bog, Canal walk on the Ramparts, Navan and Cavan Geopark near Blacklion.

Monthly Prayer Focus

Anglican Communion: Bermuda, The Lusitanian Church, The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain, Falkland Islands. **Church of Ireland Diocese:** Tuam, Killala and Achonry: Bishop Patrick Rooke. **Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh Diocese:** Bishop Ferran Glenfield **KEA Children's and Youth Co-ordinators:** Hannah O'Neill and Marion Edwards. **Drung Group:** Revd Nick Jones (Drung, Castleterra (Ballyhaise), Larah, Lavey and Killoughter. **Roscommon Group:** Revd Alastair Donaldson (Roscommon, Donamon, Rathcline, Kilkeevin, Kiltullagh, Tybohine). **Other Local Churches:** Mary Immaculate - Virginia, Maghera, Clanaphilip, Killinkere, Munterconnaught. Belassis. Redeemed Church of God, Word of Life. **Parish/Townlands:** Pollintemple, Pottleduff, Raffony, Rahardrum, Ryefield, Stramaquerty, Stramatt, Termon, Tievenaman, Togher, Virginia.

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