Morning Worship 3rd September 2023 – Trinity 13

Greeting and Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father be with you; **And also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made; **We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:9-12

Song: Who can know the mind of our Creator?

FLAMES

A new term! We pray for leaders and young people going to FLAMES Sunday school.

We say sorry to God and to one another

Recognising the Lord's presence and power with us now, and knowing our own shortcomings, we turn to him and seek healing and forgiveness:

Gracious God, where bridges have been broken and relationships damaged, forgive us and bring reconciliation;

where love has been compromised and hearts broken, forgive us and bring healing;

where silence has allowed oppression to flourish, **forgive us** and bring justice;

where we have turned away from you and been poor witnesses, forgive us and bring understanding.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Song: Be still and know

Recollection of forgiveness

For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness", who has shone in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. We remember that we are the forgiven people of God; that this is God's overflowing grace and love for us.

We thank you, Lord, that you forgive us and free us from our sins. Enable us to accept your love, and to live our lives in your light, as your people.

In Jesus' name; Amen.

Song: The Lord is my Salvation

Collect

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 15:15-21

This is the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God

Song: From the breaking of the dawn

New Testament Reading

Matthew 16:21-end

This is the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God

Talk

Song: Still, my soul be still

Our belief

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers, concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

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, and forgive us our sins as we

forgive those who sin against us. And 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.

Notices

Closing Hymn: My hope rests firm on Jesus Christ

Closing prayer

In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Let us bless the Lord; Thanks be to God.