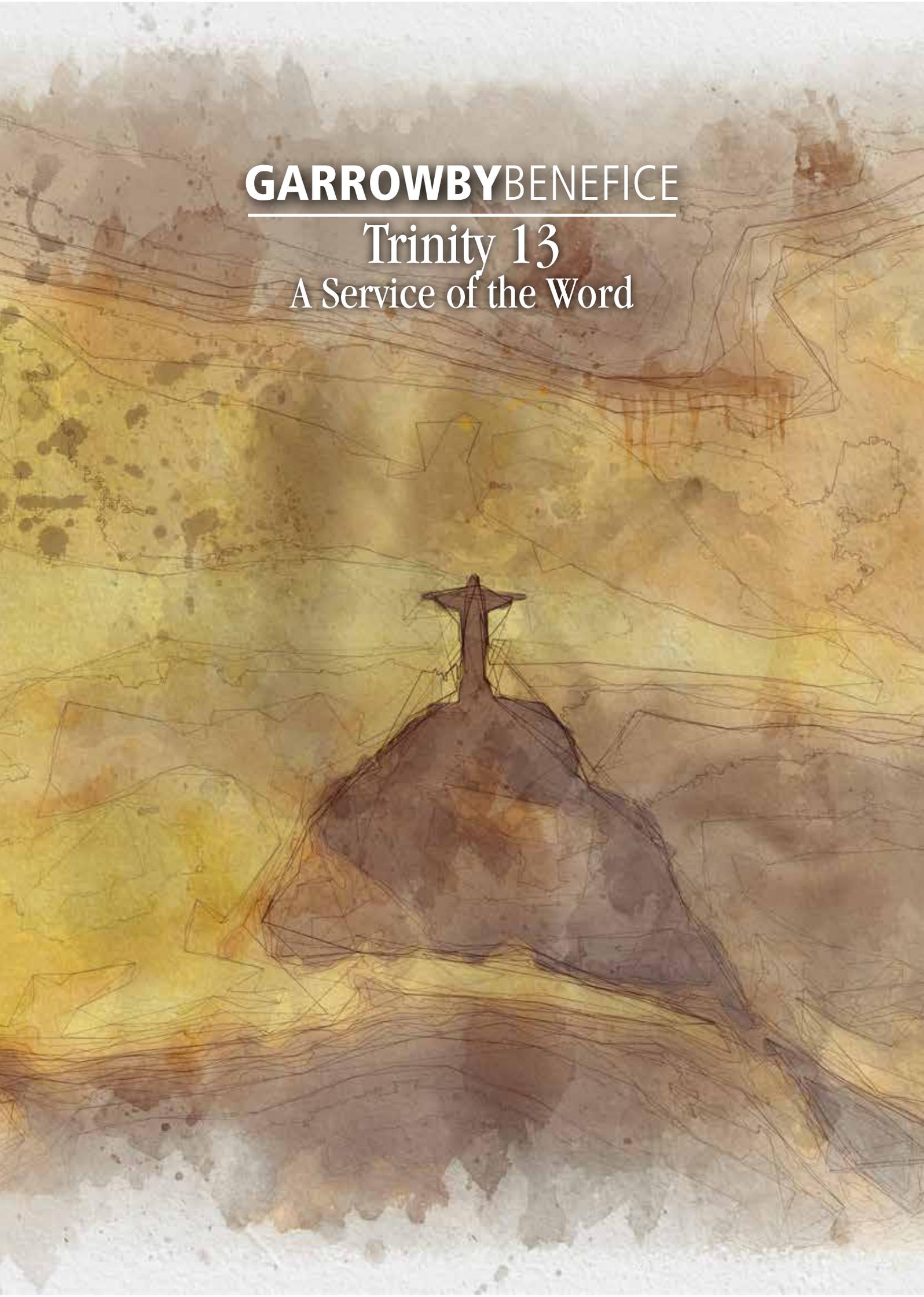


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Trinity 13 A Service of the Word



INTRODUCTION

Monastic Bell and Come Holy Ghost

Hidden God we worship you.
By ourselves, we could not know you;
No human wisdom can discover you,
No argument lead to you, no enterprise reveal you,
In the wealth of its knowledge the world fails to find you.

**All But you came to search for us
In the frailty of a human life;
You trusted yourself to the fragile faith
Of wandering disciples.**

We praise you that in our very weakness
We can know you;
That stumbling blocks become stepping stones,
And the foolishness of the cross
the very truth that quickens us to life.

All Hidden God we worship you.

Confession

We confess O God that we breathe the proud spirit of the world
The spirit which scorns the way of weakness,
Boasts of its cleverness,
Clings to knowledge as a means of power,
And seeks to prove its worth by belittling others.

**All Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy**

Hidden God your wisdom unsettles our values,
And compels our love.
Fill us with a desire to search for your truth,
That being content to be fools for Christs' sake,
We may transform the world.

**All Give us eyes to see as you see, that we may follow your way
of truth and righteousness.**

Collect

Almighty God, who called your church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself; help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

All Amen.

Hymn: The Lord is my salvation

Readings

New Testament – James 1 17-end

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

Hearing and Doing the Word

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Hymn: Be still in the presence of the Lord - Chorus

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Mark 7 1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

All Glory to you O Lord

The Tradition of the Elders

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines."
You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.'

For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

Hymn: Lead me Lord

Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that 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.

Closing sentences

Hidden God we commend ourselves to your keeping,
And thank you for new strength given to us this morning
**All Grant that our hearts may continue in the peace and rest
we have found in worshipping you.
Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen**

Blessing

Go in peace and may God himself, the God of peace, make you Holy
through and through, and keep you sound in spirit, soul and body and the
blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you, now and
always.
All Amen

Hymn: Lord of Eternity