



GARROWBY BENEFICE

Trinity 17
Service of the Word

Introduction

OPENING SENTENCE

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His glories never end. They are new every morning.

PRAYERS OF PRAISE

New every morning is your love great God of Light, and all day long you are working for good in the world

All Stir up in us a desire to serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbours and all creation, and to devote each day to your son, our saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen

Hymn: My song is love unknown

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Heavenly Father, word of life
When we treat our words lightly
When we are partial and prejudiced
When our words inflame rather than bring peace

All Lord have mercy

When we fail to tame our tongues
And our words are not filled with grace and love
When we praise you, yet insult our brothers
When our words wound and corrupt

All Lord have mercy

When our words are proud and self-seeking
When we convey envy and ambition
instead of mercy and sincerity
When our humour is hurtful instead of joyful

All Lord have mercy

Grant us that heavenly wisdom,
That we might live as your people,
That we might bring peace and harvest righteousness.

All And see your Kingdom come

Holy God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on us. Forgive us our sins and lead us into the way of righteousness.

All Amen.

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you; pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God now and forever.

All Amen

READINGS

A reading from James 5 13-end

The Prayer of Faith

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's[b] soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 9 38-end

All Glory to you O Lord

Another Exorcist

John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. Whoever is not

against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

Temptations to Sin

‘If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

‘For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ

ADDRESS

Hymn: Pass me not, O gentle saviour

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are God’s work of art, each one of us a precious gem, a marvellous melody, a potter’s delight

All We are God’s handiwork, woven together in love, shaped with infinite compassion, painted with incredible beauty

We are the church of Jesus Christ, diverse in human qualities but united in our call to love God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and to love our neighbour as ourselves

All We are the body of Christ, living in His truth, sharing His Peace, carrying His hope, embodying His love throughout the world He loves so much

We should remind ourselves once more who we are, whose we are and what our lives are about

All We are uplifted, renewed and empowered to live out the miracle of who we are by the power of God working in and amongst us. We open ourselves to God who makes all things new.

PEACE

Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil. As far as it lies within you, live at peace with everyone.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All And also with you

Hymn: I will sing of my redeemer

INTERCESSIONS ending with

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 WORDS

As we leave this time of worship, while so much of the road ahead is uncertain and the path constantly changing

All We know some things that are as solid and sure as the ground beneath our feet and the sky above our heads

We know God is love

All We know Christ's light endures

We know the Holy Spirit is there found in the spaces between all things

All Closer to us than our next breath and binding us to each other until we meet again

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

All Amen

The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

All Amen

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

All Amen

The Lord God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, guard you, save you, and bring you home to be with Him in the joy of His presence and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, The Son and the Holy Spirit rest upon you, your homes, and all whom you love today and always

All Amen

DISMISSAL

With love and compassion

All Lord Jesus be with us

In our homes and places of work

All Lord Jesus be with us

In our hearts and in our minds

All Lord Jesus be with us

In power and glory

All Lord Jesus be with us

Go in his peace.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn: Great is thy faithfulness