St John's Penge

Trinity Sunday 7 June 2020 – Holy Communion

Opening Song: In the name of God the Father

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Confession and forgiveness

Like every true follower of Jesus, in my heart of hearts, I want to see him more clearly, love him more dearly and follow him more nearly. But, day by day I live with the tension that exists between the person I know I am and the one whom I would like to be. I want to be a saint, but I am still a sinner.

Confession hurts because it means I must stand in the full glare of the spotlight of grace

To confess your sins to God is not to tell him anything he doesn't already know. Until you confess them, however, they are an abyss between you. When you confess them they become a bridge.

Lord I ask for your forgiveness for all that I have done wrong, forgive me when I deceive myself into thinking that I am OK as I am, that my faults are minor ones which I can overlook. Shine your light on me.

Father, I yield to your amazing grace, acknowledging that mercy's indeed what I most desperately need. I lay aside my pride and put my trust in you.

Today I stand on your promise in Proverbs 28:13 'Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.'

As I make my confession thank you that you welcome me to live always under the great umbrella of your mercy **Amen**

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God the Father, who created the world, He was faithful when we were not, and continuously seeks to redeem the world.

We believe in God the Son, Jesus Christ, He humbled himself by becoming human and living among us. He was sent by the Father to give us life; who, though he knew no sin, became sin and was put to death on a cross. We believe that three days later He was raised from the dead by the power of God and was seen in bodily form.

We believe that the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus gives us victory over any form of sin and brokenness and allows us to know the full love of God for the world.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who actively works in our lives, giving us grace to be like Jesus, and sends us to show God's love for the world. Amen

Reading: Hebrews 6: 13-20(a)

¹³ When God made his promise to Abraham, since there was no one greater for him to swear by, he swore by himself, ¹⁴ saying, 'I will surely bless you and give you many descendants.' [d] ¹⁵ And so after waiting patiently, Abraham received what was promised. ¹⁶ People swear by someone greater than themselves, and the oath confirms what is said and puts an end to all argument. ¹⁷ Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. ¹⁸ God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. ¹⁹ We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, ²⁰ where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf.

Talk:

Prayers: Julian

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.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.
The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thinks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Threefold and glorious God, in Fatherly joy you created all things through the grace of your Word and the wisdom of your Spirit. In the depth of your love for the world you gave your only Son that all might come to new life in your Spirit. You rolled away the stone by your Fatherly hand and in the power of your Spirit raised your incarnate Son from the dead.

In your Fatherly mercy you breathed your Spirit on the fearful disciples, giving them the fire of your love to live as the body of your Son. And so adoring you with apostles and prophets, with martyrs and saints, with angels and archangels, with cherubim and seraphim and with all your glorious company in bright array, we celebrate the glory of your praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord God, there is none beside you; you are perfect in power, in love and purity.

You invite us to join you at your heavenly banquet that knows no end. In this meal we recall the sacrifice of your Son and the sanctification of your Spirit.

Send that Spirit upon us now, that we may be made ready to be your companions, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, 'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Triune God, in the dance of your love we see your nature as utter relationship.

Be close to all who struggle in relationship at home, in the workplace, across social divides and national thresholds.

As your three persons gaze in shared attention, look upon those whose lives go unrecognised.

As they work together in true partnership, uphold any who face the struggles of their life alone.
As they relish one another in deep delight, revitalise those who live without joy or hope.
Make your church a community across time and space that enjoys the gift of your life and imitates the wonder of your love, until all come into your presence and gaze upon your glory, God in three persons, blessed Trinity. Amen.

After Communion

Holy, gracious, God,
Here at this table your promise of life is made tangible.
We have rested in the depth of your love;
We have tasted your nourishing and nurturing presence;
We accept you into our bodies and into our lives.

Together, at this table, you have offered us life. Together, by your grace, we accept the life you offer. And we give you thanks. Amen

Closing Prayer

Sabbath Blessing

Final song: Cornerstone