

# Children of All Ages Worship



## Sundays of Creationtide



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## *Welcome to Trinity Church!*

*Welcome to this gathering place, friend and stranger, saint and sinner. Come, with hope or hesitation; come with joy or yearning; all who hunger, all who thirst for life in all its fullness. May our generous God and our compassionate Savior touch you with the life giving Spirit.*

**Welcome to the Children of All Ages Worship Service at Trinity, Buckingham. This service is designed to engage young (and young of heart) worshippers. We tell stories, share easy prayers and Bible Stories, talk about the love of God and stop frequently to talk about what is happening in worship and in our lives. We believe that worship is best when everyone has an opportunity to participate and move around.**

**Enjoy a half hour of fun, praise and holy mystery with the One who calls each of us by name and says, “you are precious in my sight and I love you!”**

**Face-to-face worship during a global pandemic has its challenges! We will worship outside so long as the weather permits, and we ask that all worshippers over the age of 2 wear a face mask, and that you sit with members of your own household but at a distance from others.**



**A word about Holy Communion: Holy Communion, or Eucharist, is the Thanksgiving Dinner of God’s people and everyone is invited. If you are called by God and would like to know Jesus better, you are welcome to receive bread at God’s Table. (During the pandemic we won’t share wine or grape juice)**

**After the prayer over the bread, individual wafers will be available to receive, one family at a time. If you wish to receive the bread, come forward as a household, and take the bread back to your seats, and wait so that all who wish can consume the bread together.**

**Please ask for a gluten-free wafer if you require it.**

# Greeting

*One:* This is a day that the Lord has made.

*Many:* **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

## Words of Praise

*One:* Holy Creator, we have come to worship you.

*Many:* **Open our eyes to see your glory!**

*One:* Holy Christ, we have come to follow you.

*Many:* **Guide our steps to walk more closely with you!**

*One:* Holy Spirit, we have come to be reborn in you.

*Many:* **Teach us to embrace the gift of life!**

## Collect

*One:* The Lord be with you.

*Many:* **And also with you.**

*One:* Let us pray.

Wonderful Creator, you have filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works that we may we rejoice in this good creation and care for it faithfully; for the sake of Jesus Christ, through whom all things were made. **Amen.**

## We hear God's Word

O storyteller, you sit us down and fill us with tears and love and laughter.  
Come into our lives and tell your story though us.

## We talk about Jesus



## **We affirm our faith**

God, Creator, Sun maker, Moon maker, Star maker,  
In love you made us. **THANK YOU GOD.**

God in Jesus, Storyteller, Healer, Teacher,  
In joy you came for us. **THANK YOU GOD.**

God here among us, Comforter, Listener, Disturber,  
In justice you beckon us. **THANK YOU GOD.**

## **We pray to God**

O Lord, grant us the grace to respect and care for Your creation.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

O Lord, bless all of your creatures as a sign of Your wondrous love.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

O Lord, help us to end the suffering of the poor and bring healing to all of your creation.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

O Lord, help us to undo the damage we have done to your creation and to sustain your gift of nature.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For what do God's people pray this morning?  
*We add our ping-pong ball prayers to the deep container of God's love.*

Those things, O God, that we, your children have prayed for, give us also the grace to work for; and in the purpose of your love answer our prayers and fulfil our hopes for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

## **We say we are sorry and God forgives us**

We confess to you our lack of care for the world you have given us.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

We confess to you our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

We confess to you our failure to protect resources for others.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of Love bring us back to the Divine Presence, forgive us our sins, and assure us of the love that is eternally present in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **We share God's peace**

You shall go out with joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

## **We give God our lives and our treasure**



## **We give thanks at Jesus' Table**

Come to this table, not because you must but because you may; not because you are worthy but because you are hungry; not because you are ready, but because you are thirsty. Come because Christ invites you, saying "I am the bread of life."

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful and the earth be glad.  
We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel,  
and for Jesus Christ, in whom your fullness dwells.

**Born of Mary, he shares our life,  
Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.  
Guiding his children, he leads us.  
Visiting the sick, he heals us.  
Dying on the cross, he saves us.  
Risen from the dead, he gives new life.  
Living with you, he prays for us.**

On the night on which he was betrayed, and as they were sitting at a meal, Jesus took a piece of bread and broke it. He gave it to the disciples saying, “This is my body. It is broken for you. Do this to remember me.”

Later after they had eaten, Jesus took a cup of wine and said, “This cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Drink this all of you, to remember me.”

So now we do as Jesus said. With thanksgiving we take this bread and this wine, and we proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord. When we are together and share bread and wine like this, Jesus has promised to be present.

**Loving God, receive our thanks and praise.**

Pour out your spirit upon us and upon this meal that it may be the body and blood of our Lord. Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.

**Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.**

We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever. **AMEN.**

Gathered as one by your Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## **We eat at Jesus's Table**



## **We ask for God's blessing**

**Loving God, we thank you for your good gifts.  
The gift of one another, the gift of this good creation and the gift of this meal.**

**As we leave your table,  
Help us to remember that you speak to us through the beauty of this creation.  
Help us to discover some new beauty every day.  
Help us to listen to the music of the universe  
Help us to love and protect your creation.  
Help us to heal injustice and poverty.  
Help us to stand together against all threats to life. Amen.**

The blessing of God, Host of creation,  
The blessing of Christ, Guest of humanity  
The blessing of the Holy Spirit, Source of communion  
be with you and those you love, now and always. **Amen.**

## **We share our news**



## **We go in peace to love and serve the Lord**

Go now in peace. Share your life, your table, and your home with others in Gods' love. **Thanks be to God!**



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