# 29 August 2021 – Trinity 13

# The Greeting – Hello and Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all  
and also with you

O Lord, open our lips  
and our mouth will proclaim your praise.  
Let us worship the Lord.  
All praise to his name.

*The prayer ends with these words:*

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Blessed be God for ever.

# Hymn 25 – All things bright and beautiful

### *All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all*.

### 2 Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, he made their glowing colours, he made their tiny wings.

### 3 The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky:

### 4 The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden, he made them every one.

### 5 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.

# Penitence – saying sorry

O God, our loving Father in heaven,  
we confess that we have sinned against you;  
we have broken your commandments;  
we have often been selfish,  
and we have not loved you as we should.  
For these and all our sins, forgive us, we pray:  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# Forgiveness – a reminder of God’s gift

# Preparing – to hear God’s word

Your word is a lantern to my feet  
and a light upon our path.  
O Lord, your word is everlasting:  
it stands firm for ever in the heavens.

Let us then receive the word of the Lord.  
So may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.

# James 1:17-27 – please be seated

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created. My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent, and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do. Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

This is the word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God

# Mark 7:1-8 – Please be seated

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. When they come from the market-place they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.) So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, ‘Why don’t your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?’ He replied, ‘Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: ‘ “These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.” You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.’

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# Thanks & Praise 80 – King of Kings

### King of Kings, Majesty God of Heaven, living in me Gentle Saviour, closest friend Strong deliverer, beginning and end All within me falls at your throne

### 2 Earth and Heaven, worship you Love eternal, faithful and true Who bought the nations Ransomed souls Brought this sinner near to your throne All within me cries out in praise

### *Your Majesty I can but bow I lay my all before you now In royal robes I don’t deserve I live to serve Your Majesty*

# Word Collect – Cleansed

# The Sermon – Walking and Talking

# Hymn640 – Purify my heart

### Purify my heart, let me be as gold and precious silver. Purify my heart, let me be as gold, pure gold.

### *Refiner’s fire, my heart’s one desire is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord. I choose to be holy, set apart for you, my master, ready to do your will.*

### 2 Purify my heart, cleanse me from within and make me holy. Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

# Declaring Faith – affirming our belief

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Praying Together – Intercessions

Blessed are you, eternal God,  
to be praised and glorified for ever.

Hear us as we pray for your holy catholic Church:  
make us all one, that the world may believe.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you:  
that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Strengthen all who minister in Christ’s name:  
give them courage to proclaim your Gospel.

Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world:  
guide them in the ways of justice and peace.

Make us alive to the needs of our community:  
help us to share each other’s joys and burdens.

Look with kindness on our homes and families:  
grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Deepen our compassion for all who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble:  
in your presence may they find their strength.

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory:  
bring us all to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear our prayer, Lord God  
and make us one in heart and mind to serve you for ever. Amen.

# Sunday Collect – Trinity 13

# The Lord’s Prayer – we pray with Jesus

# A Thanksgiving – we give thanks to God

For every blessing we have received we give you thanks and praise

Be with us Lord, as we go out into the world.  
May the lips that have sung your praise always speak the truth;  
may the ears which have heard your Word  
listen only to what is good and may our lives,  
as well as our worship, be always pleasing in your sight,  
for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Blessing – and Dismissal

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
In the name of Christ. Amen.

# Hymn 6 – Immortal Invisible

### Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

### 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

### 3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

### 4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see ‘tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

# Walking Group: Tuesday 7:00 pm meeting at Drumbeg Car Park

# Bible Week in Shankill and Online 7.45 pm

### Tuesday: Select Vestries Online (email to be sent to SV members) Wednesday 1– Friday 3 September. Book via Eventbrite [downanddromorebibleweek21.eventbritestudio.com](https://downanddromorebibleweek21.eventbritestudio.com/)

### Wednesday 1 Grace, Resurrection and a Bolder Confidence (Jonah 2:8–3:3) Thursday 2 Confidence in the Toughest Places (Jonah 3:4–3:10) Friday 3 Confidence in the Compassion of God (Jonah 4:1–11)