Sunday 13th July - Trinity 4

O worship the King - Hymn 34

1 O worship the King all-glorious above;

O gratefully sing his power and his love;

our shield and defender, the ancient of days,

pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,

whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;

his chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,

and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

3 The earth with its store of wonders untold,

Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;

hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,

and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

4 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?

It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;

it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,

and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,

in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end!

Our maker, defender, Redeemer, and friend.

6 O measureless might, ineffable love,

while angels delight to hymn thee above,

thy ransomed creation, though feeble their lays,

with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

The Greeting - Hello and Welcome

The Lord be with you **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.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

Penitence - saying sorry

Father, forgive us: save us and help us

Forgiveness - A reminder of God's gift

Preparing to hear God's word

Let us hear the word of the Lord.

So may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.

Colossians 1:1-14 - Please be seated

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

2 To God’s holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father. 3 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, 4 because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God’s people— 5 the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel 6 that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God’s grace. 7 You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, 8 and who also told us of your love in the Spirit. 9 For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, 10 so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, 11 being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience,12 and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.  13 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

Jesus' hands were kind hands - Hymn 213

1 Jesus’ hands were kind hands,  doing good to all,

healing pain and sickness, blessing children small;

washing weary feet, and  saving those who fall;

Jesus’ hands were  Kind hands,  doing good to all.

2Take my hands, Lord Jesus let them work for you,

make them strong and gentle,  kind in all I do;

let me watch you, Jesus, till I’m gentle too,

till my hands are kind hands,  quick to work for you.

Psalm 82 - We stand to say

1  God has taken his stand in the council of heaven;

in the midst of the gods he gives judgement:

2  ‘How long will you judge unjustly

and show such favour to the wicked?

3  ‘You were to judge the weak and the orphan;

defend the right of the humble and needy;

4  ‘Rescue the weak and the poor;

deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

5  ‘They have no knowledge or wisdom; they walk on still in darkness:

all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

6  ‘Therefore I say that though you are gods

and all of you children of the Most High,

7  ‘Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals

and fall like one of their princes.’

8  Arise, O God and judge the earth,

for it is you that shall take all nations for your possession.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; **as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Luke 10:25-37.- Please be seated

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” 26 “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?” 27 He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’and, ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ 28 “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.” 29 But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbour?” 30 In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’36 “Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”37 The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

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

Speak, Lord, in the stillness - Hymn 624

1 Speak, Lord, in the stillness, speak your word to me;

help me now to listen in expectancy.

2 Speak, O gracious Master, In this quiet hour;

let me see your face, Lord, feel your touch of power.

3 For the words you give me, they are life indeed;

living bread from heaven, now my spirit feed.

4 Speak, your servant listens I await your word;

let me know your presence, let your voice be heard!

5 Fill me with the knowledge of your glorious will;

all your own good pleasure in my life fulfil.

The Sermon

Brother, sister, let me serve you

Hymn 517 - collection hymn

1 Brother, sister, let me serve you,

let me be as Christ to you.

Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my servant, too.

2 We are pilgrims on a journey,

and companions on the road;

we are here to help each other

walk the mile and bear the load.

3 I will hold the Christ-light for you

in the night-time of your fear;

I will hold my hand out to you,

speak the peace you long to hear.

4 I will weep when you are weeping;

when you laugh I'll laugh with you.

I will share your joy and sorrow

till we've seen this journey through.

5 When we sing to God in heaven

we shall find such harmony,

born of all we've known together

of Christ's love and agony.

6 Won't you let me be your servant

let me be as Christ to you?

Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my servant, too.

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

Let us pray to the Lord **Lord, have mercy.**

Sunday Collect – The Fourth Sunday After Trinity

Daily Collect - For God's leading

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings,

with your most gracious favour,

and further us with your continual help;

that in all our works begun,

continued and ended in you,

we may glorify your holy name,

and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer - We pray with Jesus

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who 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.

The Benediction

Soldiers of Christ, arise - Hymn 487

1 Soldiers of Christ, arise,  and put your armour on,

strong in the strength which God supplies

through his eternal Son;strong in the Lord of hosts,

and in his mighty power:

who in the strength of Jesus trusts

is more than conqueror.

2 Stand, then, in his great might,

with all his strength endued;

and take, to arm you for the fight, the panoply of God.

To keep your armour bright attend with constant care,

still walking in your Captain's sight

and watching unto prayer.

3 From strength to strength go on,

wrestle, and fight and pray;

tread all the powers of darkness down,

and win the well-fought day;

that, having all things done, and all your conflicts past,

ye may o'ercome, through Christ alone,

and stand complete at last.

Dismissal

We go into the world

to walk in God's light,

to rejoice in God's love

and to reflect God's glory.