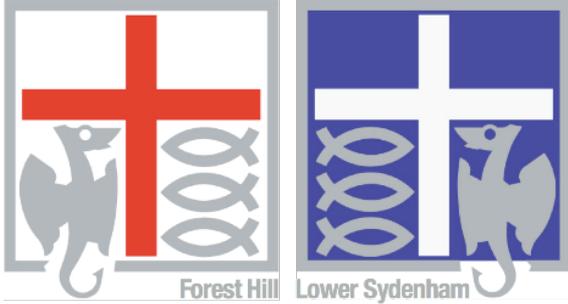


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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 9th AUGUST 2020

The Gathering

The Priest welcomes everyone and announces the first hymn

Hymn **As the Deer Pants**

As the deer pants for the water so my soul longs after you.
 You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.
 You alone are my strength my shield.
 To you alone may my spirit yield.
 You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.
 You're my friend and you are my brother even though you are a king.
 I love you more than any other so much more than anything.
 You alone are my strength my shield.
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Words & Music by Paul Oakley

President Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

All We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,
 to whom all hearts are open,
 all desires known,**

**and from whom no secrets are hidden:
 cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
 by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
 that we may perfectly love you,
 and worthily magnify your holy name;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Prayer of Penitence

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

Lord Jesus, you wept over the sins of your city.
 On our city: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division, jealousy and bitterness.

On us: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner.
 Grant us peace: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

The minister may use these or other suitable words.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness
 draw *us* to himself,
 and cleanse *us* from all *our* sins
 that we may behold the glory of his Son,
 the Word made flesh,
 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest
 and peace to his people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father.
 Amen.**

The Collect

**Gracious Father,
 revive your Church in our day,
 and make her holy, strong and faithful,
 for your glory's sake
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading Genesis 37: 1 – 4, 12 – 28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. ²This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. ³Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. ⁴But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him...

¹²Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. ¹³And Israel said to Joseph, 'Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.' He answered, 'Here I am.' ¹⁴So he said to him, 'Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me.' So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, ¹⁵and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, 'What are you seeking?' ¹⁶'I am seeking my brothers,' he said; 'tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.' ¹⁷The man said, 'They have gone away, for I heard them say, "Let

us go to Dothan.” So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. ¹⁸ They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. ¹⁹ They said to one another, ‘Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰ Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.’ ²¹ But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, ‘Let us not take his life.’ ²² Reuben said to them, ‘Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him’—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. ²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; ²⁴ and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. ²⁵ Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. ²⁶ Then Judah said to his brothers, ‘What profit is there if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷ Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.’ And his brothers agreed. ²⁸ When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

At the end, the reader says

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Gospel Reading Matthew 14: 22 – 33

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Matthew*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.

²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, ‘It is a ghost!’ And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, ‘Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.’

²⁸ Peter answered him, ‘Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.’

²⁹ He said, ‘Come.’ So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, ‘Lord, save me!’ ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand

and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

At the end, the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Short Talk

The Creed

**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father;
 through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was
 incarnate from the Holy Spirit
 and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory
 to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son**

**is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

The response to 'Lord, in your mercy' is 'Hear our prayer' or to 'Lord, hear us', 'Lord, graciously hear us.'

At the end of the intercessions the leader says

Merciful Father

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Peace

The minister may use these or other suitable words.

Jesus says to his disciples, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid.' The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

We offer those near to us a sign of peace. We say to each other, "Peace be with you", and respond, "and also with you".

Offertory

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Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this money to offer, the fruit of our labour and of the skills you have

given us. Take us and our possessions to do your work in the world.

Blessed be God forever.

Lord, as we give our resources, we surrender our whole beings to you in worship and adoration. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

We say together the prayer Jesus taught his friends:

**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 for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The minister will say a prayer followed by:

The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy be and remain with you,
now and forever.

Amen.

Hymn What A Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Refrain:

What a beautiful Name it is

What a beautiful Name it is

The Name of Jesus Christ my King

*What a beautiful Name it is
 Nothing compares to this
 What a beautiful Name it is
 The Name of Jesus*

You didn't want heaven without us
 So Jesus, You brought heaven down
 My sin was great, Your love was greater
 What could separate us now

*What a wonderful Name it is
 What a wonderful Name it is
 The Name of Jesus Christ my King
 What a wonderful Name it is
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 What a wonderful Name it is
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Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
 You silenced the boast of sin and grave
 The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
 For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal
 Now and forever, God, You reign
 Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory
 Yours is the Name above all names

*What a powerful Name it is
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 The Name of Jesus Christ my King
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Music & words: *Hillsong*

The Dismissal

All Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen