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Trinity 3 – 28th June 2020

Notices:

- A special service of BCP Evening Prayer this weekend as we commemorate St John The Baptist, the church for whom Little Somerford is named, available now - linked from our Facebook page or search YouTube for Malmesbury Abbey's channel. Led by Catherine Price, Mission Enabler for the North Wilts Mission Area.
- Towards Reopening Churches
- Wedding 4th July at Garsdon
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We have come together as the family of God in our Father's presence:

- to offer Him praise and thanksgiving,
- to hear and receive His holy word,
- to bring before Him the needs of the world,
- to ask forgiveness of our sins and to seek His grace,

that through His Son, Jesus Christ, we may give ourselves to His service.

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

And also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Heavenly Father, whose word is life:
come with saving power to free our praise,
inspire our prayer and shape our lives
for the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

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Introduction

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

- ¹ I will sing of the LORD's great love for ever;
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known
through all generations.
- ² I will declare that your love stands firm for ever,
that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.
- ³ You said, 'I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to David my servant,
- ⁴ "I will establish your line for ever
and make your throne firm through all generations."
- ¹⁵ Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you,
who walk in the light of your presence, LORD.
- ¹⁶ They rejoice in your name all day long;
they celebrate your righteousness.
- ¹⁷ For you are their glory and strength,
and by your favour you exalt our horn.
- ¹⁸ Indeed, our shield belongs to the LORD,
our king to the Holy One of Israel.

SONG: The Lord's my Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

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He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

And I will trust in You alone...

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

And I will trust in You alone...

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Invitation to Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we confess that we have sinned
against you through our own fault,
in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life,
to the glory of your name.

Amen.

Absolution

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen

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The Collect for Trinity 3

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you
Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children
of God;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 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.

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Bible Reading

John 14:1-3

As he was preparing them for his death, Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.”

The following readings from Romans will also be referred to during the reflection

Romans 6:4

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

Romans 8:38-39

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

HYMN: Abide with me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, O, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me

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I need thy presence every passing hour
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be
Through cloud and sunshine Lord abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Audrey Assad

A reflection on bereavement and how this relates to our current situation

Intercessions – by Tash Wilkinson

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

Eucharistic Prayer E

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

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Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you,
With saints and angels praising you, and saying:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
as we obey his command,
may your Holy Spirit renew us,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did; in him we plead with confidence his
sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross, and proclaim his death and resurrection until
he comes in glory.

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
You have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Lord of all life,
Help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes

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And justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms
And bring us to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

We consume bread and wine that we have reserved for this purpose.

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

Prayer after Communion

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

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May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN: There is a redeemer

There is a redeemer
Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Holy One

*Thank you, O my father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
'Til the work on Earth is done*

Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain

Thank you, O my father...

When I stand in Glory
I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place

Thank you, O my father...

Melody Green

The Blessing

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