

# A Community enriched by Christian faith, worship and values.

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, COOKHAM**

**IN THE BENEFICE OF THE  
COOKHAMS.**

**SERVING AT THE HEART  
OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Trinity Sunday  
30th May 2021**



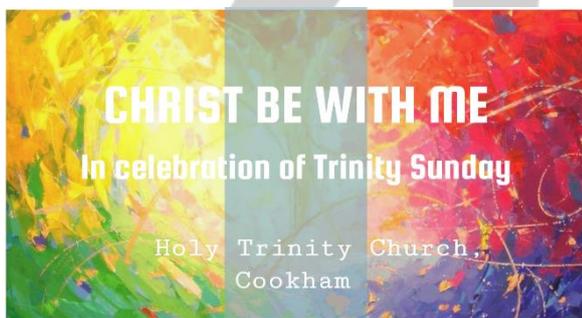
## Choir News

Our worship this morning is supported by members of the Men's Choir.



## Music and Coffee Today!

Our service will conclude with hymns sung together outside to celebrate Trinity Sunday. There might even be a cup of coffee on offer as well!



## Christ be with me

**Tonight at 6.30pm on YouTube**

A celebration of Trinity Sunday. With the Holy Trinity Church Quartet, prayers plus a beautiful reading by John Church.



## Elizabeth House to Launch Community IT Training Scheme

The COVID-19 Pandemic and the consequent lockdowns have brought home to us how increasingly dependent society has become on digital communication.

For many older people this represents a real challenge. They often do not have "Smartphones" and typically have few, if any IT skills. And yet they are under relentless pressure to use the internet in order to manage their daily lives.

Elizabeth House has decided to initiate an IT training programme to help the older people in our community. The programme cannot be "one size fits all" and we anticipate it will include both group training sessions as well as "one to one" tuition. We are not looking to create IT wizards, although it would be nice if we could, but simply to give people the confidence to use a smartphone or a laptop or tablet to communicate and conduct simple transactions on-line, and how to avoid being scammed.

We are looking for local volunteers with the appropriate IT and communication skills to help deliver this programme. If you think you could help, please contact Mike Clark at [pefc@tapestryoflife.co.uk](mailto:pefc@tapestryoflife.co.uk) or on 01628 530047 or 07740 027357, or simply leave your contact details at Elizabeth House with the Manager, Miriam Blazey.



## Could you wash a seat cushion or two?

In preparation for the full opening of church again we need some help to wash our cushion covers. They have been in isolation since lockdown and are in need of a spring clean! They can go in the washing machine and tumble drier! If you can help please speak to Bernadette who will give you full instructions.



## Please pray for Those who are ill...

Jill Davies, Stephen Runnacles, Tom Copas, Lesley Fulker, David Ashwanden, Mike Springate.

## Those who have died...

Elizabeth Barr RIP

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Readings for Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Trinity Sunday

## Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty  
to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
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. Amen.

## Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

## Gospel: John 3:1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not

perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

## Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever. Amen.

## Hymns to Sing Together Outside

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
for we have no help but thee;  
yet possessing every blessing,  
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:  
all our weakness thou dost know;  
thou didst tread this earth before us,  
thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,  
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
love with every passion blending,  
pleasure that can never cloy:  
thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
nothing can our peace destroy.

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Thou, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel-day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Thou, who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy dove,  
speed forth thy flight;  
move on the water's face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light!

Holy and blessed three,  
glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might;  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the earth far and wide  
let there be light!