



St John the Evangelist Farsley

10.30_{am} Morning Worship online

Sunday 5th July 2020

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome

Service leader: Charles Glenn; Preacher: Sue McWhinney

Introduction to the service

NHS anniversary theme

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hymn 1) And can it be (Fox choir, TKC)

We have come together in the name of Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
to pray for the needs of the world,
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Prayers of Penitence

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1.8,9

We keep a moment of quiet....

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

The leader declares God's forgiveness
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.

The Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading

Romans 7.15-25a

At the end of the reading the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 2) *The Lord's my shepherd* (Townend, ACNY)

2nd Reading

Matthew 11.16-19, and 25-end

At the end of the reading the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon: Revd Sue McWhinney

Hymn 3) *Do not be afraid* (Eileen playing)

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers

Intercessions

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

And at the end

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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 'special prayer' for today
Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Collect for Growth

**God of mission,
who alone brings growth to your Church,
send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions,
and power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
in spiritual commitment to you,
and in service to our local community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn 4) *We have a gospel to proclaim (Eileen playing)*

We pray for our children's groups, our families, and ABC Church.

We give thanks for the offerings we have made this week, in our practical care for others, and in our financial giving for the work of the church, and we ask God to bless it all.

Our church relies on donations to enable us to continue offering spiritual support and practical help to those in need in our community. Our income has gone down during the Coronavirus Crisis because we have had to close the church buildings, but our work to help people continues.

If you would like to give us a donation online to support our work, you can do so using a secure link at:

<https://www.stjohnsfarsley.org.uk/donate.php>

Thank you.

Notices: *it will be Communion next week, and Sue will be filming the Communion part of the service in church.*

We are still working on how and when we might be able to safely open church for public services, though we are hoping to be able to open church soon for individual prayer. Keep an eye on our website and social media for updates on this.

Safety measures will be in place for your own protection, and physical distancing needs to be observed, but when we are open, do come if you'd like to.

Conclusion

Blessing

May the God of hope
fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
through the power of the Holy Spirit,
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always.
Amen.

The Dismissal

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

*For now, we are continuing to offer recorded service
online from 8.30am every Sunday. Do come and join us
again!*

<http://stjohnsfarsley.org.uk/>

***We are also offering live dial-in Wednesday morning
Communion services at 9.30am every Wednesday***

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- You will be asked to key in the “meeting ID” 96872099226
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