

# BRENTOR CHURCH

*Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022*

*Holy Communion*

*12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity*

Led by

the Reverend Rosie Illingworth



We warmly welcome everyone joining our service

All children (quiet or noisy) are welcome to church, toys are at the back, and parents, please don't worry about them!



## **The Gathering**

**Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit,

**All: Amen.**

## **The Greeting**

The Lord be with you

**All: and also with you.**

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**All: 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.**

## **Prayers of Penitence**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.’

The second is this: ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**All: Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

## **Invitation to Confession**

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

**All:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.

## **The Absolution**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**All:** 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 for today**

Let us pray...

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us:  
remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us,  
that our thankfulness may grow,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen**

### ***The Liturgy of the Word***

#### **First Reading: Deuteronomy 30: v15 -20**

<sup>15</sup>See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may



live, <sup>20</sup> loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm: 1**

<sup>1</sup> Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread,  
or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**<sup>2</sup> but their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on his law they meditate day and night.**

<sup>3</sup> They are like trees

planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in its season,  
and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

**<sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so,**

**but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**<sup>6</sup> for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

### **Second Reading: Philemon 1- 21**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, <sup>2</sup> to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God <sup>5</sup> because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup> I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. <sup>7</sup> I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

<sup>8</sup> For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, <sup>9</sup> yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. <sup>10</sup> I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup> Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. <sup>12</sup> I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. <sup>13</sup> I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; <sup>14</sup> but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. <sup>15</sup> Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, <sup>16</sup> no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

<sup>17</sup> So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. <sup>18</sup> If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. <sup>19</sup> I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup> Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup> Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn: Take Up Thy Cross**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25-33**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>25</sup> Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup> 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete

it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup> saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

### **The Nicene Creed**

Let us stand and declare our faith in God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All: 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**

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father

*Prayers are offered for the church and for the world. One of the following responses may be used.*

Lord, in your mercy

**All:** Hear our prayer.

*At the end*

Merciful Father,

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



# ***The Liturgy of the Sacrament***

## **The Peace**

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All: And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

## **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

### **Hymn: Amazing Grace**

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All: All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness  
we have this bread to set before you,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness  
we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

**All: His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

## Eucharistic Prayer A

It is indeed right,  
it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
For he is your living Word;  
through him you have created all things from the beginning,  
and formed us in your own image.  
Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin,  
giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross;  
you raised him from the dead  
and exalted him to your right hand on high.  
Through him you have sent upon us  
your holy and life-giving Spirit,  
and made us a people for your own possession.  
Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and *saying*:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel or sit*

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
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.  
Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,

this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**All:** Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All:** 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.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All:** Though we are many,  
we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.

## **Agnus Dei**

**All:** Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.

## **The Invitation to Communion**

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.

## **The Giving of Communion**

## **Prayer after Communion**

**All:** Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us



with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out  
in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.

**Hymn: Who Would True Valour See**

### ***The Dismissal- Blessing***

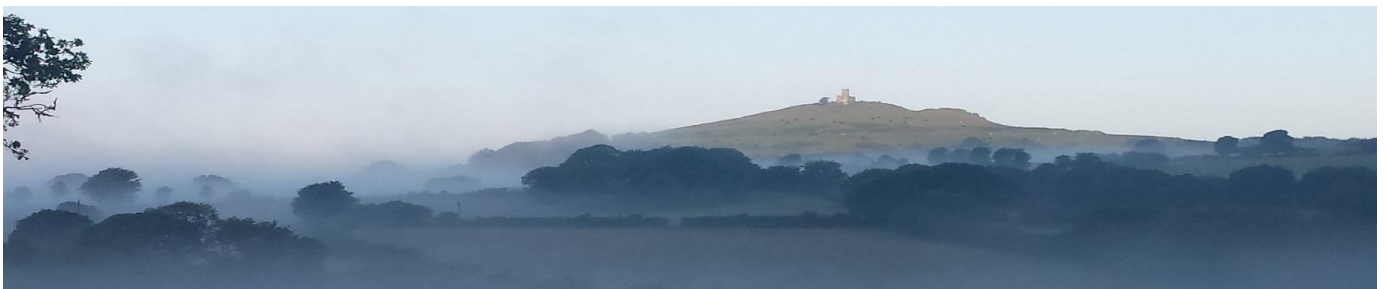
The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;


... and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**All: In the name of Christ. Amen**





**Please pray for all who are ill or anxious at home or in hospital, and those who have asked for our prayers:** Lin Bristow, Peter & Carol Cameron, Dave, Becky, Alex, Shirley, Lisa, Izzy, Brian, Penny, Ada, also William, Tatiana and Agnia: Darren, and Jill.

**Please pray** for the souls of the recently departed, their family and friends, thinking especially this week of John Lashbrook

**Please pray:** Giving thanks and welcome for the safe arrival of two beautiful babies, Lottie May Doidge and Olivia Rose.

**Your prayers this week are asked for:**

**Mon** Wisdom and guidance for our new Prime Minister

**Tues** International Charities Day, thoughts for all charities across Devon

**Wed** All those back at Schools and Colleges this week ready for the new term **Thurs** Farmers preparing for harvest and the coming seasons challenges

**Fri** All those struggling with physical and mental illness

**Sat** Those welcome in our Churches, pilgrims, visitors and worshipers



**Forthcoming event: Coffee Morning**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September- 10:30am to 12pm**

To coincide with Ride and Stride for Devon's Historic Churches.  
Produce, cakes, refreshments etc Donations requested only.



**This evening:**

**6pm:** At St Michael's- Evensong with Dr David Harris

**Next week:**

**9:45:** At Christ Church- Prayer and Praise with Wendy Roderick

**6pm:** At St Michael's- Evensong with the Reverend Dr Hazel Butland

***Donations to support the upkeep of the building and the work of the church are welcome. If you would like to make a regular donation, please contact either David or Helen Harris about the Parish Giving Scheme.***