Service for the dispersed communities of St John's and All Saints' for the seventh Sunday after Trinity, 26th July 2020

Welcome and introduction

A moment of silence before we commence our service:

We meet in the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

O Lord, open our lips and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us. **O Lord, make haste to help us.**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen. Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Opening prayer

Faithful one, 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.

Hymn

At the name of Jesus Caroline Noel (1817-1877)

Invitation to confession

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

The Confession

We are often slow to follow the example of Christ.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

We often fail to be known as Christ's disciples.
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We often fail to walk the way of the cross. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

The Lord enrich you with his grace, and nourish you with his blessing; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve you from your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Old Testament reading

I Kings 3:5-12

Hymn

Beautiful Saviour
Stuart Townend

New Testament reading

Romans 8:26-end

Reflection (YouTube)
Paul

The Creed

The Apostles' 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

Hymn

Boldly I approach
The Rend Collective

Intercessions

The prayer of the day (the collect)

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things:

graft in our hearts the love of your name,

increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same;

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 Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn

Before the throne of God above Charities Bancroft (1841-1923) adapted by Vikki Cook

Closing prayer

Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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 Blessing & Dismissal

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing ...

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ, Amen