



Not-in-the-pewsheet

Trinity 3 - 28 June

This service will be available on YouTube at 10.15am on Sunday (search for 'St Thomas' Church Wednesfield'), along with all earlier services. The soundtrack of the service is also available from Sunday morning until Wednesday, at 01902 504 590. We hope that this service sheet helps you to take part in whatever way you're able.

Sunday Worship – 28 June - Third Sunday after Trinity

We prepare to worship

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you
and also with you.

Informal words of welcome and silence

Lord, speak to us
that we may hear your word.
Move among us
that we may behold your glory.
Receive our prayers
that we may learn to trust you.
Amen.

Hymn – The Servant King

From heaven you came, helpless
babe,
Entered our world, your glory veiled;
Not to be served but to serve,
And give Your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,
He calls us now to follow Him,
To bring our lives as a daily
offering
Of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears,
My heavy load he chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said.

Come see His hands and His feet,
The scars that speak of sacrifice;
Hands that flung stars into space
To cruel nails surrendered.

So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone Him;
Each other's needs to prefer,
For it is Christ we're serving.

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Prayers of Penitence

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all who
labour and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.'

God shows his love for us
in that, while we were still
sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence
and faith.

*Silence for reflection and self-
examination*

Christ came in humility to share our
lives:
forgive our pride.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Christ came with good news for all
people:
forgive our silence.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Christ came in love to a world of suffering:
forgive our self-centredness.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour
forgive you your sins
and make you holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus 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—
Till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place.

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Collect Prayer

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

We hear God's Word together

Psalm 78:1-4. 12-16

- ¹ Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- ² I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,
- ³ things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.
- ⁴ We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD,
and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.
- ¹² In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels
in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.
- ¹³ He divided the sea and let them pass through it,
and made the waters stand like a heap.
- ¹⁴ In the daytime he led them with a cloud,
and all night long with a fiery light.
- ¹⁵ He split rocks open in the wilderness,
and gave them drink abundantly
as from the deep.
- ¹⁶ He made streams come out of the rock,
and caused waters to flow down like rivers.
- This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Philippians 2:1-18

If then there is any encouragement
in Christ, any consolation from love,
any sharing in the Spirit, any



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



St Thomas' Church
Meeting God at the Heart of Wednesfield

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in the WV11 area, need help or
support because of COVID-19?
Please text or call:

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We can help with:

- Keeping in touch with regular phone calls
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- Linking you up with other sources of support

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Your contact details will only be passed on to others with your agreement. You can find out
more on our website www.wednesfieldteam.org.uk.

Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution. Avoid physical contact (2m distance),
wash your hands regularly. Items should be left on your doorstep.

person for some time, and part of our planning will be to decide how we balance worship in church and continuing to provide online worship for those who cannot join us in person.

Daily Hope

The Church of England's 'Daily Hope' freephone line has a wide range of daily services, hymns and prayers - just dial 0800 804 8044.

Would you like a DVD of our worship?

If you can't join us online for worship, but have a DVD player, we'd like to try to get a copy of the service to you. Please call Rev'd Nick on 01902 731 462.

Keeping in touch

If you're online, please keep checking our Facebook page and website.

We will try to distribute this leaflet weekly to any who wish to receive it - please call the office (01902 723 310) if you know anyone who would like to receive a copy. You may have to leave a message!

Below is a card with a number we're making available to the wider community, to try to make sure no-one is isolated. Please pass this on to any who might need it.

You can (as always) call Rev'd Nick on 01902 731 462 at any (reasonable!) time. If you get the answering machine, please leave a message rather than calling back later!

The Sick

Iris Turley; Paul Collins; Iris White; David Frith; Ken Ellson; Jean Nicholson; Paul Hammond; Max Roper; Violet Langford; Tracy Gornall; Natalie White; Simon Hughes; Ken Hamilton; Claire Lawson; James Harrison-Lovatt; Doris Turner; Rev'd John Porter; Emma Evans; David Morgan; George & Margaret Belcher; Maurice Trubshaw

Recently Departed

Dorothy Davies; Peter Vernon; Frank Robson; Doreen Seymour; Denise Cullen

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Beatrice Round; Richard Craggs; George Dunn; Ference Kertesz; Hawa Bangura; Doreen Collins; Doug Millington; Roy Dixon; Wilfred Leese



compassion and sympathy,² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.¹⁴ Do all things without murmuring and arguing,¹⁵ so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world.¹⁶ It is by your holding fast to the word of life that I can boast on the day of Christ that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out as a libation over the sacrifice and the offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you—¹⁸ and in the

same way you also must be glad and rejoice with me.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hymn – He is exalted

He is exalted,
The King is exalted on high,
I will praise Him.
He is exalted,
Forever exalted
And I will praise His name!

He is the Lord,
Forever His truth shall reign.
Heaven and earth
Rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted,
The King is exalted on high!

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Affirmation of Faith, based on Philippians 2

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Words of Praise

Thanks and praise to you,
Jesus Christ, King and Lord of all,
given the name above every other
name

**Jesus, King and Lord of all,
we worship and adore you.**

King of righteousness, King of
peace,
enthroned at the right hand
of Majesty on high
**Jesus, King and Lord of all,
we worship and adore you**

Great high priest,
living for ever to intercede for us;
**Jesus, King and Lord of all,
we worship and adore you.**

Pioneer of our salvation,
you bring us to glory
through your death and resurrection;
**Jesus, King and Lord of all,
we worship and adore you.**

Every knee bows to you;
every tongue confesses,
you are King of kings
and Lord of Lords,
to the glory of God the Father.

We Pray together

These responses 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

**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 – And can it be

And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his
pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for
me?

'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies
who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.

He left his Father's throne above
so free, so infinite his grace
emptied himself of all but love
and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night
thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light
my chains fell off, my heart was free
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread,
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living head
and clothed in righteousness
divine.
Bold I approach the eternal throne
and claim the crown, through Christ
my own.

Wesley, Charles

We go out to serve God

We pray for God's help to serve him

You call us
**to be your light in the darkness,
your voice in the wilderness,
your hope for the hopeless.**

You give us
**strength in our weakness,
peace and gentleness,
words and boldness,**

to proclaim more of you
and less of ourselves.

Blessing

May God, who gives patience and
encouragement,
give you a spirit of unity
to live in harmony as you follow

Jesus Christ,
so that with one voice
you may glorify

the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit,
be among you and remain with you
always.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the
Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Church open for private prayer

While this may change depending on
plans for resuming public worship, for
the moment church is open for private
prayer only, on Sundays 3-5pm and on
Thursdays 11am-1pm. Please read the
guidelines on using the building safely
as you enter.

Opening for public worship

The government has allowed churches
to open for public worship from next
Saturday onward. While we look
forward to worshipping together once
again, and hope to do so soon, at the
time of writing the Church of England
has yet to update its guidance on how
we should do this. As soon as we can
decide when and how safely to open
for public worship, we will announce
this online, through a recorded
message on the phoneline (01902 504
590) and however else we can! We
realise that not all will be able or feel
comfortable to come back to church in