

## Trinity Sunday – Sunday 4 June 2023

- Exodus 34.1-8; Song of the 3YM 29-34; 2 Corinthians 13.11-13/14; Matthew 28.16-20

When the Lord appeared before Moses, he worshipped. When the eleven disciples saw Jesus risen from the dead, they worshipped. When we meet the Triune God in our reading of the Scriptures, in our prayers to the Father through Jesus his Son, in our meditation and contemplation in our communion with the Holy Spirit, when we meet together in fellowship with others who know God, we too can do nothing but worship.

- We pray that our worship of our Triune God might grow richer and deeper.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

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### Reflection

*When finishing an essay for university, and rereading the opening page, I realised I had written "Good, the Spirit and the Sun" – my typos made me laugh! And made me think.*

*God of goodness, graciousness, creator, growth and renewal. The Spirit overflowing deep in our hearts, with soul songs, fiery presence, advocating, calling, calming. The Son, whose eternally shining light, as bright as the sun, shows us a clearer way of living, where life's paths of darkness are ameliorated by the light of hope, wisdom, forgiving unconditional love, forever present. Genesis speaks of the revealing of life through turbulence and calm. In the cycle of life, the good, the spirit of energy erupting through the turbulence, as the sun breaks into the darkness, shining light so that all is seen and can be understood.*

*As we celebrate Trinity Sunday across our churches, let us not lose sight of the renewal in ourselves, where creative problem-solving and lateral thinking have brought forth wonderful new ways of worship and being church; where light of hope shines as we, the whole people of God. 'be and do church' together. From the first moment, renewal begins a constant and everlasting cycle of life.*

*May we be of one mind, one faith and one community,  
as part of God's realm, with the Spirit's energy and in the light of Christ*  
Rev Anne Hewitt 2/6/2023



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### Sentence

Proclaim the Name: 'The Lord, the Lord, a God who is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.' *Exodus 34.6*

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given to 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,  
and evermore defend us from all adversities,  
for you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### First Reading: Exodus 34.1-8

<sup>1</sup> The Lord said to Moses, 'Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke. <sup>2</sup> Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain. <sup>3</sup> No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain.' <sup>4</sup> So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone. <sup>5</sup> The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, 'The Lord.'

<sup>6</sup> The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed, 'The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.' <sup>8</sup> And Moses quickly bowed his head towards the earth, and worshipped.  
For the word of the Lord, ***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalm: Song of The Three**

Blessed are you, the God of our forebears:  
**worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.**

Blessed is your holy and glorious name:  
**worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.**

Blessed are you, glorious in your holy temple:  
**worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.**

Blessed are you who behold the depths:  
**worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.**

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom:  
**worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.**

Blessed are you in the heights of heaven:  
**worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.**

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13.11-13**

<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup> Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. <sup>13</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.  
For the word of the Lord, ***Thanks be to God.***

**Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20**

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

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