Parishes of Stainton with Hemlington, Hilton and Brookfield 12th June - TRINITY SUNDAY an opportunity for us to consider what we have learned about God GOD ; FATHER, SON, HOLY SPIRIT

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT HOME

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God's reality is of a nature we cannot quantify or contain, rather as our eyes can only see certain colours in the rainbow while others are beyond our powers of vision. What we do know is that there is more to this life than the seen.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given 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, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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.

<u>A reading from the book of Proverbs.</u> <u>ch8.1–4, 22–31</u>

Thus says the wisdom of God: 1 Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? 2 On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; 3 beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

4 'To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

22 The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

23 Ages ago I was set up, at the first,before the beginning of the earth.24 When there were no depths I was

brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

25 Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth –

26 when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. 27 When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

28 when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,

29 when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

30 then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,

31 rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.'

Psalm 8

R How exalted is your name in all the world!

1 O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

2 Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

5 What are mortals, that you should be mindful of them?

mere human beings, that you should seek them out?

6 You have made them little lower than the angels; you adorn them with glory and honour.

7 You give them mastery over the works of your hands; and put all things under their feet,

8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

10 O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans. ch 5.1-5

1 Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

2 through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

3 And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,

4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,

5 and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. ch16.12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

12 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

14 He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

Prayers of Intercession

Let us pour out our needs, cares, and concerns before God the Father who created us; rejoicing in the amazing love of God the Son who died for us; in the power of God the Holy Spirit the comforter who works in us and strengthens our faith. Three persons but one undivided God. **Father hear us and help us to hear you**

Lord we recognise with sadness that there are divisions even between Christians. We ask you to draw us closer together. Remind us that we are your people; one church, one faith, and one Lord.

Where people discriminate in terms of race, colour, religion or gender, remind us also that we are called to share your gospel message of love for all people. **Father hear us and help us to hear you**

As we see and read in the news of people's lives broken and destroyed by warfare, acts of violence, natural disaster or terrible accidents we ask you Lord of life, to motivate the leaders of the nations to work to bring good out of every evil and growth out of every suffering.

We pray for our own government asking that they always seek to serve our people and not simply to seek power for themselves . **Father hear us and help us to hear you.**

Lord God, we hold before you those who are going through hard times; illness, stress, depression, family and relationship breakdowns, financial troubles and all the problems that spoil lives. Lord God, you want always what is best for your creation, let us as your hands here on Earth, be moved to help others where we can and to hold those in need always in our prayers. **Father** hear us and help us to hear you.

We watch our children and young people growing in an age when change happens at breath taking speed; our planet is under threat; times are uncertain; the way ahead is not easy to see; and the young are themselves often anxious about their future. Lord we bring them to you in prayer and entrust their lives to your perfect love. **Father hear us and help us to hear you.**

We remember our dear ones who have passed from this life and are now at rest in the nearer presence of God. With joy and thanksgiving we recall the resurrection promise of eternal life .. With sadness we also remember those who may have died suddenly and unprepared and we ask that all who mourn may be comforted . Father hear us and help us to hear you

Loving Lord we thank you for the many joys and blessings of each day and for this opportunity to worship you. Amen

Bring me a worm that can comprehend a man, and then I will show you a man that can comprehend the Triune God. *John Wesley*



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