

St Botolph's Creationtide Morning Worship



13th of September 2020

**Welcome to St Botolph's,
Quarrington Parish Church**

Dear Friends,

Welcome back to church. Isn't it a great joy to be back in our beautiful building to worship God once again! The Ministry team would like to welcome you to our service this morning. During September we are going to follow a pattern of worship called Creationtide, which will end on Sunday 27th September with our All Age Harvest Festival service.

As you know, due to the coronavirus, we are not able to worship the way we usually do. The Government has laid down some restrictions on what we can and can't do, and alongside this the Church of England has also given us advice on how best to conduct worship during this phase of the pandemic. We must all wear face masks in church for the duration of the service and, while we will have music, congregations are currently not permitted to sing.

Our services will, therefore, be more reflective in style. We cannot share the peace in the usual way but will offer one another a "wave of peace".

I will lead the service today and Rev Al will preach. Our readings and prayers are from recordings made earlier in the week by those leading these parts of our worship.

At the end of the service, please leave by the south door (next to the font) and take the paper order of service with you as you leave. Sadly, we are not able to socialise after the service and we can't offer you our usual refreshments. Please do remember to maintain safe distancing as you leave.

I pray that we will all enjoy worshipping together this morning.

Every Blessing. Rev Mark Thomson.

Morning Worship- Creationtide

Music - For the healing of the nations

Gathering and Greeting

God in Christ has revealed his glory.
Come let us worship.

From the rising of the sun to its setting
the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.
O praise the name of the Lord!

Music - May your ways

On a table are placed:

- a) a bread roll/ears of wheat
- b) a Bible
- c) a jug of water, pour this into a bowl

Opening Prayer

The minister offers each of the gifts saying

- (a) We praise you, living God:
**you give strength to the earth that sustains us,
you open your hand to feed all living things.**
- (b) We praise you, Lord Jesus Christ:
**you teach us with stories of seeds and weeds and
harvest time, you call us to accept your word and bear much
fruit.**
- (c) We praise you, Holy Spirit, fire of love:
**you are the breath of life in every creature,
you refresh our thirsty souls with grace.**

Blessed be God, Source of Wisdom, living Word, abiding Spirit,
Blessed be God for ever.

Climate Change Prayer

Holy God, earth and air and water are your creation,
and every living thing belongs to you:
have mercy on us as climate change confronts us.
Give us the will and the courage to simplify the way we live,
to reduce the energy we use, to share the resources you provide,
and to bear the cost of change. Forgive our past mistakes
and send us your Spirit, with wisdom in present controversies
and vision for the future to which you call us in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Penitence

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's
creation. God our Father, we are sorry for the times when we have used
your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.
Hear our prayer, and in your mercy: forgive us and help us.
We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have
given them to us.
**Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.**

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the
hungry. Father, in your mercy: forgive us and help us.
We are thoughtless,
**Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.**

We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no
heaven.
**Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.**

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 ac-
cept your prayers, and absolve you from your
offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.
Amen.

Benedicite (Let us sing to the Lord)

Refrain

**Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!
Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!**

All creation bless the Lord;
and you, angels of the Lord,
praise and glorify the Lord.

Sun and moon, bless the Lord;
and you, night and day, bless the Lord,
and you, light and darkness, bless the Lord.

Praise the Lord all the earth.
Birds of the air, bless the Lord,
all creatures of the sea, bless the Lord.

**Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!
Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!**

Fire and hail, bless the Lord.
Snow and frost, bless the Lord,
mountains and hills, bless the Lord.

Praised be Christ, he is our hope,
he is the joy of our hearts.
Compassionate and gracious is our God.

The Lord opens up a way,
and leads us on paths of life,
the earth is full of God's love.

The glory of the Lord fills the earth.
Let all peoples bless God's name,
Let everything that breathes bless the Lord.

**Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!
Let us sing to the Lord, let us sing to the Lord!**

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading—Genesis 1 26-28

Music - Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it

Gospel Reading - Mark 10 41-45

Address

Profession of faith

We belong to the Creator in whose image we are all made.

**All In God we are breathing, in God we are living,
in God we share the life of all creation.**

We belong to Jesus Christ, the true icon of God and of humanity.

**All In him God is breathing, in him God is living,
through him we are reconciled.**

We belong to the Holy Spirit, who gives us new life and strengthens our faith.

**All In the Spirit love is breathing, in the Spirit truth is
living, the breath of God always moves us.**

We belong to the Holy Trinity, who is one in all and Three-in-One.

**All In God we are all made, in Christ we are all saved,
in the Spirit we are all united.**

(Per Harling)

Prayers of the people

God in creation

Let us pray for our own needs and for the needs of others,
following the pattern which Jesus gave
when he taught us to pray to God our Father.

Through our love of the countryside,
through our care for commuters and farmers,
through our care for animals and wildlife,
through our respect for property and tools:
Father, hallowed be your name.

On our farms and in our homes,
in our colleges and schools,
where machinery is made,
and where policy is planned:
Father, your kingdom come.

By our seeking your guidance,
by our keeping your commandments,
by our living true to our consciences:
Father, your will be done.

For the millions who live in poverty and hunger,
for our own needs, and the requirements of our neighbours,
by cooperation, sympathy and generosity:
give us today our daily bread.

Because we have broken your commandments,
doing what we ought not to do and failing as
good stewards of your creation;
forgive us our sins.

If any have injured us by injustice, double dealing or
exploitation:
we forgive those who sin against us.

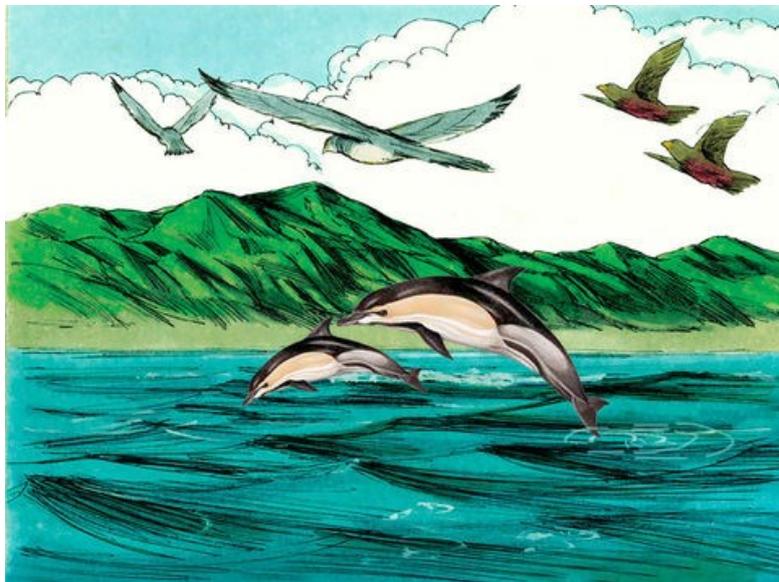
When prosperity lulls us to false security,
or hard times prompt us to despair,
When success makes us boastful,
or failure makes us bitter:
**lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

In the assurance of faith,
in the confidence of hope,
in the will to serve,
help us to love Christ as Lord,
and our neighbour as ourselves.
**for the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Music - God of Grace and God of Glory

Conclusions and Endings

Creator God,
you give seed for us to sow,
and bread for us to eat;
make us thankful for what we have received
and generous in supplying the needs of others
so all the world may give you thanks and glory,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Dismissal

Stewardship of Creation theme
Go in strong and growing faith.
Trust in the tenderness of Christ
to heal a bruised and broken world.
Thanks be to God.
Go in eager and refreshing hope.
Work with Christ risen from the dead,
to fulfil the promise of a new creation.
Thanks be to God.

Let us go in peace, to treasure and to tend the world God made and
loves.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Dismissal Music



Jesus speaks to his disciples about being servants

NOTICES

Monday 14th to Friday 18th September @ 9.30am

Morning Prayer on Zoom (please contact Maria for the link)

Tuesday 15th September @ 11am

Coffee and Chat on Zoom (please contact Maria for the link)

Annual Parochial Church Meeting-1st October 2020 at 7pm

Our APCM will be held on the 1st of October at 7pm on Zoom. A link will be sent out to the church family so that they may access the meeting. For those of you who do not have the internet you will be able to access the meeting by telephone. If you wish to do this please speak to Reverend Al who will talk you through the process.

PCC Representative Nominations

If you wish to stand as a PCC representative there will be 2 PCC positions available. If you wish to be considered please contact the Parish Administrator Maria by email for the nomination forms.

Deanery Synod Representative Nominations

If you wish to stand as our Parish Deanery Synod representative there will be 2 positions are available. If you wish to be considered please contact the Parish Administrator, Maria, by email for the nomination forms.

Sleaford Larder

At this harvest time as we gather in the wonderful gifts of creation it is also a time to remember those less fortunate than ourselves. If you are able would you please bring an offering for the Food Bank, which continues to face high demand during the pandemic. Thank you.

Services in September

Creationtide Worship

20th September @ 11am - Creationtide Holy Communion

Theme – God’s love for us and his gifts to us

27th September @11am - Creationtide All Age Harvest Service

Theme—God asks, “Are you sharing with others?”

50:50 Club results. April to September

April 1st prize 38 Mr Robertson	2nd prize 92 Mrs Churms
May 1st prize 88 Ann Waters	2nd prize 80 Mr Pick
June 1st prize 1 Peter Gratton	2nd prize 69 Mr Neuman
July 1st prize 182 Mrs James	2nd prize Mrs I Prentis
August 1st prize 139 Anne Waters	2nd prize 144 Mr Lowder
September 1st prize 142 Mr Smeath	2nd prize Dulcie Hind

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