

Sunday 15 June 2025, 10am Trinity Sunday

The Eucharist

Presider
Revd Andrew Woodward

Preacher Revd Dr Sam Wells

with the baptism of Rosalind Isabel Oses-Martin

The Choir of St Martin-in-the-Fields

Directed by Jennifer Sterling

Organist Hugh Rowlands

Setting

Missa brevis in F, Op. 117 (In honorem Sanctissimae Trinitatis) *Rheinberger*



Welcome

Our welcomers are available to assist with any of the following information. Toilets are available: please ask a welcomer.

Welcome whether you are joining us today in our building or online. Our cameras focus on those who are leading our service, but if you are in the building and would like to ensure that you are not caught on camera, please sit outside the pillars on the south of the church (to the right as you enter).

Welcome if you are disabled, unwell, have experiences of dementia, physical, sensory or mental health issues, or are neurodivergent. The order of service is online. Large print copies are also available. The hearing loop works best on the south side of the church. Step-free access to church is via the ramp on the north side, and to the Crypt and Hall via lifts in the NW porch and Pavilion.

Welcome to babies, children and young people. We understand that young children make noise. If your baby becomes upset during the service, you are welcome to go to the back of church if needed to settle — or to our children's church room. We support breastfeeding in services; we also have a room allocated if preferred. We have a children's church group during the service. A youth group for teenagers meets monthly on Sunday afternoons.

Welcome to anyone in need of safeguarding. If you would like to reach our safeguarding team, you can email safeguarding@smitf.org.

Welcome to all heritages and experiences of race, culture and language. At the Lord's Prayer, all are invited to bring the gift of our preferred language to our worship. Our 1.30pm is in Cantonese: our welcomers are happy to help where they can if you are new to English. You are also very welcome if you are LGBTQIA+.

Welcome if you are of no professed faith or are from a faith tradition other than Christianity. Welcome if you are wary of faith. **Welcome** if you're exploring. **Welcome** if you are here to support someone else. If you would like to explore what you believe in a friendly and non-judgemental group, our Being With courses run throughout the year online and in the building. Email beingwith@ smitf.org for more details.

You are welcome to share our meal with God. When we come to Holy Communion, we receive bread in the form of a wafer, then wine from a common cup. Non-alcoholic wine and gluten-free wafers are available in the south aisle. If you need to receive in your seat, please let a welcomer know and ministers will come to you. If you do not want to or cannot receive bread or wine for whatever reason you are welcome to let the priest know you would like to receive a simple prayer for blessing, or to stay in your seat. We welcome your ideas and help for us to become a more welcoming community.

We are glad you are here.

The Gathering

Introit O lux beata trinitas Katy Cooper

O lux beata trinitas et principalis unitas. As now the fiery sun departs, shed thou thy beams upon our heart. Deo Patri sit gloria, cum Spiritu Paraclito, et nunc, et in perpetuum. To thee our morning song of praise, to thee our evening prayer we raise; thee may our glory evermore in lowly reverence and awe. (Te mane laudum carmine, te deprecemur vespere: te nostra supplex.)

Ascr. St Ambrose (337-397), tr. John Mason Neale, 1851

Welcome

Please stand. Silence is kept.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

We acknowledge God's presence drawing each of us into one body as we gather on site and online.

Visit us Lord, by your Holy Spirit.

All Though in many places, we are united as one body. Though from many backgrounds, we share one hope.

Opening Hymn

- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see, only thou art holy, there is none beside thee perfect in power, in love, and purity.

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4 Holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Please sit.

Introduction Revd Andrew Woodward

Baptism is the end of the old life we live for ourselves, and the beginning of the new life we live with God. When Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt, God parted the sea and led them to freedom. All that held them in slavery was left behind. Christ's death on Good Friday echoes the Israelites' descent into the sea. In raising Jesus from the tomb, the Holy Spirit brings him out of the sea, taking him beyond sin and death. When we are baptised, God brings these stories to life in us. God takes away the power of all that oppresses us, and we are born again in the Spirit. We are made members of Christ's body, that we may share his sufferings and inherit his glory. We begin a life of service, to God, one another and the good creation. We join a new family, everlasting and universal: the communion of saints.

Prayer

All Father God, in your love you have called us to know you, led us to trust you, and bound our life with yours. Surround us with your love; protect us from evil; fill us with your Holy Spirit; and restore us in the family of your Church; that we may walk in the way of Christ and grow in the knowledge of your love. Amen.

The parents and godparents gather at the legilium.

Presentation

Faith is the Holy Spirit's gift to the people of God. Will you, God's people, welcome Rosalind Isabel and uphold her in her new life in Christ?

All With God's help, we will.

Parents and godparents, will you pray for Rosalind Isabel, draw her into the community of faith, help her take her place in the life and worship of the Church, and walk with her in the way of Christ? With God's help, we will.

Making Our Decision to Follow Christ

To the parents and godparents

Baptism means turning from the despair of sin to the hope of Christ. I now ask you three times if you are resolved to turn from death to life.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour, Lord and Friend? *I turn to Christ.*

Do you repent of all your sins? I repent of all my sins.

Do you renounce evil? *I renounce evil.*

Please stand.

The Baptism party goes to the font during the chant. Children and other members of the congregation are invited to join them.

Baptism Anthem Think of how God loves you James MacMillan

Think of how God loves you! He calls you his own children, and that is what you are. You have put on Christ; in him you have been baptised. Alleluia!

Baptismal song, 1 John 3: 1 and from the baptismal rite

Renewing the Outward Sign of Inward Faith

We thank you, gracious God, for your gifts of water and the Holy Spirit. We thank you that, through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the Promised Land. We thank you that out of death you raised your Son to glorious life. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this water, that as we recall our burial with Christ in baptism, we may share with the saints in his resurrection to new life; that, having been born again of water and the Holy Spirit, we may remain forever in the number of your faithful children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

To the parents and godparents and to the whole congregation Now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which we are baptised, and in which we live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All I believe and trust in God the Father.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All I believe and trust in God the Son.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God, and makes Christ known in the world?

All I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit.

This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Rosalind Isabel, for you Jesus Christ came into the world. For you he lived and showed God's love. For you he suffered the darkness of Calvary, and cried at the last, 'It is accomplished'. For you he triumphed over death, and rose to new life. For you he reigns at God's right hand. All this he did to be with you, though you do not know it yet.

Baptism

Rosalind Isabel, I baptise you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Signing

The minister makes the sign of the cross on the candidate for baptism with holy oil.

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of the cross.

The minister invites the parents and godparents to sign the candidate with the cross.

All the leaders of God's people, prophets, priests and kings, were anointed at the start of their ministry. Jesus also, who was Israel's prophet, priest and king, was baptised by John at the start of his ministry. This is the start of a new ministry. Rosalind Isabel, we anoint you with holy oil, making the sign of the cross, the seal of salvation.

All Teach us, Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give, and not to count the cost; to fight, and not to heed the wounds; to toil, and not to seek for rest; to labour, and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we do your will. Amen.

A Prayer of St Ignatius Loyola

Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: Rosalind Isabel, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

All We welcome you into the Lord's family. We are members together of the body of Christ; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we are inheritors together of the realm of God. We welcome you.

Giving of Light

God has delivered from the shadows of night into the realm of glorious day. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

All Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

Children gather at the north east door during the following anthem to go to Children's Church.

Baptism Anthem Think of how God loves you James MacMillan

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel in the centre aisle.

The Liturgy of the Word

Gospel Reading John 16: 12-15

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 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. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit after the opening prayer.

Sermon Revd Dr Sam Wells

Anthem O Trinity! Will Todd

O Trinity! O Unity! Be present as we worship thee, and with the song that angels sing unite the hymns of praise we bring. Three persons praise we evermore, one only God our hearts adore. In thy sweet mercy ever kind may we our sure protection find.

11th-century Anon., Ave! Colenda Trinitas, tr. John Chandler Lauda Syon, Part 1, 1857

Please remain seated or kneel.

Prayers of Intercession led by Jess Templeman

The response to the prayers is: God of wonder and love,

All hear our prayer.

All

And, at the end:

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you *All* and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

A collection will be taken for the work of this church during the following hymn. You are welcome to donate using:

- cash in the collection bags filling in a Gift Aid envelope if applicable
- select amount and tap the card machines brought by the stewards
- by texting COLLECTION to 70450 to donate £10 (texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message).
- by scanning the QR code to the right with your phone

Offertory Hymn

- 1 I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity; by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.
- I bind unto myself today
 the virtues of the star-lit heaven,
 the glorious sun's life-giving ray,
 the whiteness of the moon at even,
 the flashing of the lightning free,
 the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
 the stable earth, the deep salt sea
 around the old eternal rocks.
- I bind unto myself today
 the power of God to hold and lead,
 his eye to watch, his might to stay,
 his ear to hearken to my need;
 the wisdom of my God to teach,
 his hand to guide, his shield to ward,
 the word of God to give me speech,
 his heavenly host to be my guard.
- 4 Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

A musical interlude may be played on the organ before the final verse is sung

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I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three, of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word. Praise to the Lord of my salvation: salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Attr. St Patrick (372-466), tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and bread and wine are received from the congregation and placed upon it. The financial gifts of the people are gathered and presented with the following prayer:

Blessed be God,by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

All Blessed be God forever.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Threefold and glorious God, in Fatherly joy you created all things through the grace of your Word and the wisdom of your Spirit. In the depth of your love for the world you gave your only Son that all might come to new life in your Spirit. You rolled away the stone by your Fatherly hand and in the power of your Spirit raised your incarnate Son from the dead. In your Fatherly mercy you breathed your Spirit on the fearful disciples giving them the fire of your love to live as the body of your Son. And so adoring you with apostles and prophets, with martyrs and saints, with angels and archangels, with cherubim and seraphim and with all your glorious company in bright array we celebrate the glory of your praise.

Sanctus sung by the choir.

Lord God, there is none beside you; you are perfect in power, in love, and purity. You invite us to join you at your heavenly banquet that knows no end. In this meal we recall the sacrifice of your Son and the sanctification of your Spirit. Send that Spirit upon us now, that we may be made ready to be your companions, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, 'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Triune God, in the dance of your love we see your nature as utter relationship. Be close to all who struggle in relationship at home, in the workplace, across social divides and national thresholds. As your three persons gaze in shared attention, look upon those whose lives go unrecognized. As they work together in true partnership, uphold any who face the struggles of their life alone. As they relish one another in deep delight, revitalize those who live without joy or hope. Make your church a community across time and space which enjoys the gift of your life and imitates the wonder of your love, until all come into your presence and gaze upon your glory, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

All Amen.

Please sit or kneel.

Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray, each in our own preferred language.

All 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.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Anthem Notre Père Duruflé

Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne nous zaujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour, pardonnenous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offenses, et ne nous soumets pas zà la tentation, mais délivrenous du mal. Our Father, who art in heav'n; hallow'd be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communicant members of all Christian churches are invited to receive Holy Communion. Bread and wine are available in the central aisle and both side aisles. Gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic wine are available in the south aisle upon request from the assistant. If you wish to receive communion in your seat, do let a steward know.

Agnus Dei sung by the choir.

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Dismissal

Notices

Please stand.

Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Redeemer and the Giver of Life, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Thanksgiving Hymn

- How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire? Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, sing, ye heavenly choir. Thousands of thousands stand around thy throne, O God most high; ten thousand times ten thousand sound thy praise; but who am I?
- Thy brightness unto them appears, whilst I thy footsteps trace; a sound of God comes to my ears; but they behold thy face: they sing because thou art their Sun: Lord, send a beam on me; for where heaven is but once begun, there alleluias be.
- 3 Enlighten with faith's light my heart, inflame it with love's fire; then shall I sing and bear a part with that celestial choir. I shall, I fear, be dark and cold, with all my fire and light; yet when thou dost accept their gold, Lord, treasure up my mite.
- 4 How great a being, Lord, is thine, which doth all beings keep!
 Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep: thou art a sea without a shore, a sun without a sphere; thy time is now and evermore, thy place is everywhere.

John Mason (c.1645-1694)

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Prayers for healing are available at the altar rail after the service.

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