



Christ
Church
Bray

Sunday 11th June 2023
The First Sunday after Trinity
Service of Holy Communion

	<i>BCP</i>	<i>Large Print</i>
The Greeting		
Opening Hymn: 372 <i>Through all the changing scenes of life</i>		
Holy Communion	201	125
Gloria Glory to God, Glory to God in excelsis Deo! Glory to God, Peace on Earth in excelsis Deo!		
Collect God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen		
First Reading: Romans 4: 13-25		
Psalm 33: 1-12	626	340
Gospel Reading: Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26		
Sermon		
The Nicene Creed	205	129
Prayers of the People Lord, hear us Lord, graciously hear us	206	130
The Peace	207	132
Offertory Hymn: 418 <i>Here O my Lord I see thee face to face</i>		

Celebrating at the Lord's Table	208	132
Eucharistic Prayer No. 3	216	140
Prayer after Communion	220	145
Blessing		
Announcements		
Recessional Hymn: 549 <i>Dear Lord and Father of Mankind</i>		
Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord In the name of Christ. Amen		

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Readings

Romans 4: 13-25

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' ²³Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' ¹²But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Next Sunday 18th June

11am Morning Prayer

Sunday 25th June

11am Morning Prayer

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Our Mothers' Union continue to support The Storehouse in Crinken. Please do bring your contributions of dry goods which will then be delivered to The Storehouse. You can find more details of their work at <https://crinken.com/storehouse/>

Prayer Requests

Requests for individual prayers for A Prayer Tree are being sought.

Such prayers may be a favourite prayer from perhaps childhood. They could be prayers handed down from grandparents and/or parents or other relation or friend. Perhaps it may be a prayer that you have yourself written in either joyful or difficult times.

The list of possibilities is probably endless!

Please type or handwrite each prayer on, if possible, coloured paper /card.

Such prayers can be handed to the Churchwardens or dropped into the parish office. You may or may not wish to add your own name to same- Either is entirely appropriate.

Looking forward to reading, such prayers which will hopefully and helpfully be of use to others

Rev. Niall

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