

OAKSHAW ORACLE

A warm welcome to all visitors who are reading this online version of our worship. Today's Worship video can be found on the church Web site and Facebook page.

This week we again start by being able to join with the congregation singing Hymn 96 - You are before me Lord from a service recorded in 2001.

The Anthem and Music for meditation have been chosen by our Choir Master David Murray. The anthem today is taken from a recording made of David Murray and Oakshaw Trinity Choir in 2000 and the Music for Meditation is 'Andantino' by Lemare.

The video is available on the website <http://www.oakshawtrinity.org.uk/music> (Music menu) and on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity.

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WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn: No. 96

You are before me, God,

PRAYER

Chosen Hymn: M.P.378

Jesus shall take the highest honour

READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34
Reader: Alex Easton

ANTHEM

Heilig, Heilig, Heilig
(Holy, Holy, Holy)
by Schubert

READING: John 12:20-33
Reader: Elaine Duncan

Hymn: No. 721

We lay our broken world

SERMON

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hymn: 497

Almighty Father of all things that be,

THE BENEDICTION & DRESDEN AMEN

SERMON NOTES

The Magnetism of Christ

We speak of the hill called Calvary as a magnetic mountain because it draws the thoughts and endeavours of all people to the highest and noblest level of life.

During this Lenten season our hearts are set upon the amazing person who, days before the Cross was put up, said, signifying what kind of death he would die: "I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

The Lord hath appeared
of old unto me,
saying, Yea,
I have loved thee
with an everlasting love:
therefore with
lovingkindness
have I drawn thee.
Jeremiah 31:3 KJV

In this context, the word 'draw' seems the most significant word to me that was addressed to human ears. It is in keeping with Christ's amazing consciousness of power and his knowledge of mission. He came to seek and to save those who were lost and to give his life as a ransom for many. Truly, his mind was filled with the formative words of the Old Testament prophecy of Jeremiah.

PRAYER: *Remind us daily to use your power living on the inside of us which helps us in all things. By your grace, help us to forget the past so that we can move forward to the future and press toward the mark of our higher calling in Christ Jesus ...*



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TODAY:

Due to the continued Government restrictions on Public Gatherings, Sunday Services will continue on line.

To have a weekly Hymn request please send this along with up to 30 words of your reason for choosing it. Please telephone the Church Office with your request.



Mission Praise 378 was chosen by Lynne Deveney it was the she first song she sang in the 1990's as part of a Christian Choir and was written by Chris Bowater. The

hymn starts quiet and calm and builds up to praise and worship, the beauty is in it's words.

COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS:

The Scottish Government have relaxed the lockdown levels with effect from the 25th March. This will enable us to return to worship with a congregation of 50 from Palm Sunday and Holy Week. As before, you are asked to book in advance through the booking email address or by telephone. Please be aware that priority will be given to anyone who is unable to be allocated a seat when subsequent bookings are being made. Further details will be issued next week. Tuesday openings will resume after Easter.



visit our website!

OAKSHAW TRINITY COOKBOOK:

We are very grateful that we have received many recipes for our Fundraiser Cookbook which we are hope to complete soon. What we are short of is starters and desserts and we are sure and submit either by email or you will have some to share. Why not look out some favourites post to Isabel Pearson oakshawchurch@gmail.com who will be pleased to receive.



SATURDAY CLUB:



The Saturday Club now hold a time of 'Saturday Club From The Sofa.' This takes place on Facetime at 3pm on Saturdays. Please feel free to join in and keep us up to date with how you have been coping.

ORGANISATIONS:

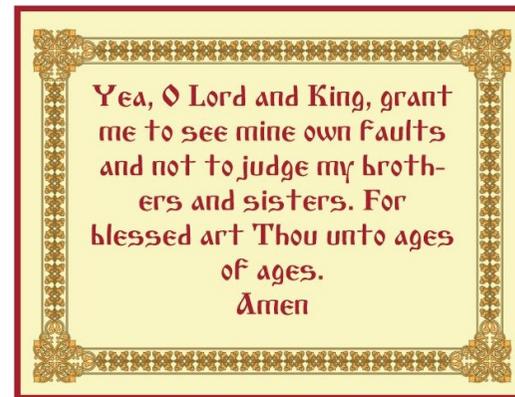
Our organisations will continuing to remain in contact each week through social media. This will continue until we can meet together.



CORONAVIRUS

Please do look out for your letter from the NHS calling you for your vaccine and do not answer any communication that asks for Bank details.

Details and lots of extra information about Church events can be found on the web Oakshaw Trinity Church: www.oakshawtrinity.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity



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Children's Page
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"But I, when I am lifted up from the earth,
will _____ all men to myself."
John 12:32 (NIV)

LTIFED
1

WLORD
2

FETAHR
3

SOHW
4

Answer:
1 2 3 4

A magnet has the power to draw many objects to itself. It reminds us of something that Jesus taught about Himself. The people who were following Jesus thought Jesus had come to set up an earthly kingdom. But Jesus came to earth to die for our sins so that we could join Him in His heavenly kingdom. Even so, because Jesus knew He would soon be crucified, He said to his followers, "I am very troubled...What should I do? Should I pray to the Father and ask Him to save me?" How do you think you'd answer Him?

Jesus told the people, "No, this is the very reason that I came, and when I am lifted up, I will draw everyone to Myself." The Bible tells us that He told them that so they would know how He was going to die.

The drawing power of this magnet is very strong, but it's nothing compared to the drawing power of Jesus. When we see His great love, we're drawn to Him. He willingly died on the cross to pay the price for our sin, and when we trust in Him, we receive the right to become the children of God.

Even after we become God's children, we will still sin, and that's not pleasing to Him. But that doesn't mean He will stop loving us. He has the power to draw us back to Himself. There is no power stronger than the love of Jesus.

Dear God, we thank You that Jesus was willing to be lifted up on the cross so we can have eternal life. In Jesus' name, Amen.