Morning Prayer

26th July 2020 THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Welcome

Opening Prayer

All God of small seeds and mighty plants,

you take our meager lives and with your love cause them to produce acts of loving kindness for you in this world.

You hear our cries and find us when we are lost and wandering in fear. You bring us home with you so that we may be made whole, rejoicing in your goodness. Help us to joyfully serve you all our days, knowing that you are always watching over us. Prepare our hearts to receive your word and our spirits to respond in eagerness to serve you. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

Interview with Revd Rob Merchant

The Lords my Shepherd

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'll not want; He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone, And I will trust in You alone, For Your endless mercy follows me, Your goodness will lead me home. He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil, And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one, For You are with me, and Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know.

Confession

Almighty God,

long-suffering and of great goodness:

I confess to you,

I confess with my whole heart

my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments,

my wrong doing, thinking, and speaking;

the hurts I have done to others,

and the good I have left undone.

O God, forgive me, for I have sinned against you;

and raise me to newness of life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Absolution

Reading – Mathew 14:22-33

Talk – Revd. Rob Merchant



Collect for The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Generous God,

You give us gifts and make them grow:

through our faith is small as mustard seed,

make it grow to your glory

and the flourishing of your kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us, so we pray: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. 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. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. AMEN.

BETHOU MY VISION, O LORD OF MY HEART; Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art; Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord; Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son; Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my Breastplate, my Sword for the fight; Be Thou my whole Armor, be Thou my true Might; Be Thou my soul's Shelter, be Thou my strong Tow'r, O raise Thou me heav'nward, great Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Be Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart, O high King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys, after vict'ry is won; Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

The Final Blessing