

**Morning Prayer
23rd August
The 11th Sunday
after Trinity**

Who Do you say that I am?

Opening Responses

Who is this Jesus?

Who do you say the Son of Man is?

**Some say a prophet,
some say a teacher.**

Some say a wise man,
some say a reformer.

**Some say a mystic,
Some say a shaman.**

Some say a reincarnated prophet
like Elijah, or John the Baptist.

**But we say he is the Anointed One,
the only true Son of the living God.**

Blessed are you who come today with
that belief, for such faith is not your doing
but a gift from our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Opening prayer

The night has passed, and the day lies
open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O
God, set our hearts on fire with love for
you; now and for ever. **All: Amen.**

Confession

Jesus Christ, risen Master and
triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and
unbelief.....

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your
resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own
eyes,

as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

Absolution

May the God of all healing and
forgiveness draw *you* to himself,
and cleanse *you* from all *your* sins
that *you* may behold the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our
Lord. **All Amen.**

Gradual Hymn

Alleluia Sing to Jesus – Lead by the
Choir (first and last verse only)

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth thy footstool,
heaven thy throne.
Thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest.
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the Eucharistic Feast.

Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

At end of reading:

This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Song

I Arise today –

Words will be on the screen

Creed

from the Athanasian Creed

We proclaim the Church's faith in Jesus Christ.

All We believe and declare that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is both divine and human.

God, of the being of the Father, the only Son from before time began; human from the being of his mother, born in the world;

All fully God and fully human; human in both mind and body.

As God he is equal to the Father, as human he is less than the Father.

All Although he is both divine and human he is not two beings but one Christ.

One, not by turning God into flesh, but by taking humanity into God;

All truly one, not by mixing humanity with Godhead, but by being one person.

For as mind and body form one human being so the one Christ is both divine and human.

All The Word became flesh and lived among us; we have seen his glory, the glory of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Prayers

Intercessions

The response to: 'Lord in your Mercy' Is; **'Hear our Prayer'**

Intercessions conclude with:

Merciful father, Accept these prayers for the sake of your son, Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we give thanks that you have established your church on earth and opened the door to your Father's presence.

Build us up as your church on the sure foundation of faith in you. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Notices

Blessing & Dismissal

Choir

God be in my head
and in my understanding;
God be in my eyes
and in my looking;
God be in my mouth
and in my speaking;
God be in my heart
and in my thinking;
God be at my end
and at my departing.....

....and the blessing of God Almighty Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you all, this day and evermore, **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: In the name of Christ, Amen