

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

2.6-15

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Hear the Gospel According to Luke

11.1-13

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'

And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?

If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

This is the Gospel of the Lord

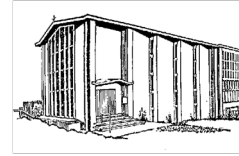
PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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The Collect

Merciful God,

you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

A reading from Genesis

18.20-32

Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord.

Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?"

And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

This is the word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD!

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Sixth Sunday after Trinity

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Prayer of preparation

Spirit of God, come among us, work within us.
Breathe life into our worship, love into our hearts, and light into our witness.
Cleanse us and make us new.
Touch us and make us whole.
Receive our worship in Jesus' name.
Amen

Holy Trinity church is open everyday
for private prayer and reflection from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Children from Nursery age upwards are encouraged to join the Junior Church which meets in the Trinity Room, except when there is an 'all-age' service. Parents are welcome too! They go out to JC after the Collect prayer and return for Communion. There is a children's corner for tots at the front of church with toys, books and colouring, to be used under your own supervision. Toilets and baby change facilities are available through the Trinity Room.

Our services are live streamed. Cameras are focused on those leading the service. Any images of the congregation will be distant or in passing. Please sit on the far left if you wish to remain off camera.

Services Today

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Presiding Preaching Rev'd Dr Diana Stretton

Hymns HON 389*, 360, 31, 550
Communion 141, 415

Junior Church Miles



This Week at Holy Trinity

Monday 28th July

7.30pm CA Group

Wednesday 30th July

9am Morning Prayer

10am Communion Service

6pm Wedding rehearsal

Thursday 31st July

7.30pm CA Group

Friday 1st August

12.30pm Wedding of Tara and Chris

7pm Choir Practice

Saturday 2nd August

10am-12 Coffee Shop

10am-12 Gardening party in the churchyard

Advance notice - Diana will be on leave from the 4th to the 18th August inclusive.
Wednesday services on the 6th and 13th August will be Morning Prayer at 10am. Other cover details will be in next week's bulletin.

Sunday 3rd August Seventh Sunday in Trinity

8.00am BCP Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Readings: Eccles 1.2, 12-14; 2.18-23
Col 3.1-11
Luke 12.13-21

PRAYERS

... for **Alice and Coral** as they move on to their next chapter

...for the **appointment process** for a new Team Vicar

...for **Tara and Chris** getting married on Friday, and for their sons Thomas and George

... for the **sick**: Eileen Adams, June Buxton, Laurence Blythe, Barbara Chapman, Phyllis Duncan, Amelie Flatt, Rich Gibbs, Kay Hawes, Linda Maynard, Rachel O, Florence Portugal, David Roberts, Pamela Sanvoisin, Alison Parkyns, Martin Meredith, Evelyn and Su.

... for the **departed**: We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Stuart Greig, Christine Bedwell and those whose anniversary falls at this time. We pray for their families and friends and all who mourn.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TODAY Sunday 27th July 3pm - Alice's Farewell Service at St Mary's.

Please join us for this important team celebration of the last 3 years together. The service will be followed by refreshments.

Sunday 31st August 3-5pm - Strawberry Tea in the Vicarage Garden.

Morning services around the team

All are welcome to mid-week Morning Prayer and Holy Communion services

Tuesdays St Benedict's - 9am MP

Thursdays St Mary's - 9am MP, 9.30am HC

Fridays All Saints - 9am MP, 9.30am HC

All that we do to support our community would not be possible without your generous donations. If you would like to support our work financially please follow the link from this QR code:



NOTICES

Gardening party - 2nd August, 10am - 12

As always, on the first Saturday of the month, anyone who is able to help out with some gardening in the churchyard is very welcome to come along.

Vergers needed!

When we have funerals and weddings it is really helpful to have a verger - someone who makes sure that the church is set up, welcomes people and helps ensure that everything goes smoothly. We would like to expand the team who help with funerals, and develop a team who can help out with weddings when these take place. If you are interested talk to Diana.

Coffee shop help

Our regular Saturday morning coffee shop is a wonderful chance to come together and share some company. It would be great to have some more people able to set up and serve for this. Please talk to Sam if you are interested.

School Governor opportunity

One of the Foundation Governors for Leverstock Green Primary School is stepping down. The PCC has the option to nominate a suitable candidate to take on this role. Being a school governor is a significant time commitment but very rewarding. If you would be interested in finding out more please talk to Diana.

Confirmation Course

In the Autumn we will be running a team confirmation course for those who may wish to explore being confirmed at the Deanery Confirmation service on the 23rd November. Please contact Diana if you are interested in finding out more.

Empty jars

Thank you for your donations of empty jars - we currently have as many as we need.

Please let Diana know if you would like anything included in the bulletin.