

# THE SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT

19<sup>th</sup> July 2020 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity / Proper 11

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## 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.

## Isaiah 44:6-8

<sup>6</sup> Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel  
and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
<sup>7</sup> Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
<sup>8</sup> Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one.

## Romans 8:12-25

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— <sup>13</sup> for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ <sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

<sup>18</sup> I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup> for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> We know that the whole

creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; <sup>23</sup> and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

## Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

<sup>24</sup> He put before them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup> but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup> So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup> And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?” <sup>28</sup> He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” <sup>29</sup> But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup> Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”’

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ <sup>37</sup> He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup> the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup> and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup> Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup> The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup> and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup> Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!’

## Prayer after 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.

# NOTICES

## **Please pray for**

Wendy Batten, much-loved keeper of the Post Office in Ulpha, for her family and friends and all who mourn her passing. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

## **Next Sunday**

Please note that Stephen will be on annual leave from this coming Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> July, to Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August inclusive, returning for the services on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. You can leave an answerphone message on the usual number or send an email and it will be attended to as soon as possible from 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

Next Sunday, the normal pattern of service times will be followed, with lay-led services at Kirkby (9.30), Broughton (11am) and Woodland (6pm). Many thanks to all those who will be leading services next Sunday. It is a great tribute to the resourcefulness and ministry in both parishes that we do not need to look outside our own church family in order to maintain a high standard of enriching worship.

## **Wednesday Holy Communion**

Please note that Wednesday Holy Communion will not take place for the next couple of weeks. The next service at Holy Innocents will be Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August. The small, friendly congregation drawn from across our parishes and outside it will be glad to welcome you when we return.

## **Morning Prayer**

For the next couple of weeks, Morning Prayer will be available online as usual. The service is about 12 minutes of psalms, readings and reflection. You can join in with the responses or just listen.

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/4742/page/55145/view/>

## **Contact details required**

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