

THE SUNDAY SUPPLEMENT

16th August 2020 – 10th Sunday after Trinity / Proper 15

Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
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 56:1, 6-8

This is what the Lord says:

“Maintain justice
and do what is right,
for my salvation is close at hand

⁶ And foreigners who bind themselves to the Lord
to minister to him,
to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it
and who hold fast to my covenant—

⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain
and give them joy in my house of prayer.

Their burnt offerings and sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house will be called
a house of prayer for all nations.”

⁸ The Sovereign Lord declares—
he who gathers the exiles of Israel:

“I will gather still others to them
besides those already gathered.”

Psalms 67

¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face shine on us—

² so that your ways may be known on earth,
your salvation among all nations.

³ May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.

⁴ May the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you rule the peoples with equity
and guide the nations of the earth.

⁵ May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The land yields its harvest;
God, our God, blesses us.

⁷ May God bless us still,
so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask then: Did God reject his people? By no means! I am an Israelite myself, a descendant of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin. ² God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew.

²⁹ for God’s gifts and his call are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience, ³¹ so they too heeewewewave now become disobedient in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of God’s mercy to you. ³² For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

Matthew 15:10-28

The second half of this passage, verses 21 to 28, was set for Wednesday 5th August. You can hear the sermon from Broughton Mills on our YouTube channel or directly via: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJgsUjEEMAU>.

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, ‘Listen and understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.’ ¹² Then the disciples approached and said to him, ‘Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?’ ¹³ He answered, ‘Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.’ ¹⁵ But Peter said to him, ‘Explain this parable to us.’ ¹⁶ Then he said, ‘Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.’

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, ‘Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.’ ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, ‘Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.’ ²⁴ He answered, ‘I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.’ ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him,

saying, 'Lord, help me.' ²⁶ He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁷ She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

Prayer after Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTICES

Face coverings

A reminder to bring face coverings to church, unless you fall into one of the exempt categories.

Ministers, readers, intercessors etc. may remove face coverings while speaking, but please ensure that you are safely distanced from the people immediately in front of you.

Masks may be removed in order to receive communion, but please handle them by the elastic or straps rather than by the mask itself. During communion, it is important that we ensure no physical contact between the person distributing and the person receiving the bread. Please allow it to be dropped into your outstretched hand.

Taize this evening

There will as usual be a Taize service at St Cuthbert's this Sunday evening at 6pm. Taize services, which consist very largely of corporate singing, are particularly hard-hit by the current restrictions on public worship – particularly by the prohibition on singing (!), but also by the prohibition of wind instruments and the need to remain distanced.

I will continue each month, while the restrictions last, to maintain the Taize service. We will try to experiment with different ways of capturing the nature of the service while we are unable to implement it in the intended fashion. I am very open to suggestions as to how this might be developed, from any enthusiasts for Taize worship. We may need to use our imagination a little!

Seathwaite

There will be an Evening Service at Holy Trinity, Seathwaite, on Sunday 30th August at 6pm. The fifth Sunday offers us an opportunity to enjoy the beauty of this special and historic place and to reflect together on how we might ensure that it thrives in the future.

One-stop shop for online links

I have put together a set of links to our recent services and online offerings on one of our *ACHurchNearYou* pages. From this page I will make available the most recent Sunday Supplement with the relevant sermon attached. There are also links to the YouTube channel, the latest recorded communion service and the daily audio recording of Morning Prayer. The link to this page, which will be worth bookmarking if you expect to return frequently, is as follows:

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/12340/page/62694/view/>

Pages on *ACHurchNearYou* are not always the perfect means of presenting data, but the service is completely free and offers many (if not all) of the features which churches pay a four-figure annual sum to receive from a commercial vendor. In Kirkby, of course, we also have the benefit of the attractive bespoke website which Chris Dean maintains.

Online Eucharist

Our online Eucharist this week was recorded in video as well as audio thanks to Chris. At the time of writing, it already had 15 views. The audio recording from the week before has been viewed 36 times. Thank you to those who have indicated their appreciation of these online services. I will continue to record the Wednesday Eucharist for online distribution until further notice.

Please consider joining us one Wednesday if you can. The small congregation and spacious building make social distancing easy.

Quick links

YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMSD6j4ngi9rCe7kzY66Xfw>

Daily service of Morning Prayer:

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

Next week's services

Next Sunday, 23rd August, is the 11th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16) and is the Fourth Sunday of the Month. Services are as follows:

9.30am Holy Communion (Kirkby)
11am Holy Communion (Broughton)
6pm BCP Holy Communion (Woodland)

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