
Pew-sheet for Sunday 10th August

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Today's services

Liturgical Colour: Green

8.45am Morning Prayer on Zoom
Meeting ID 833 3035 8290
Passcode 735361
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10.00am Holy Communion at the
church of St Leonard, Yardley
Gobion

Collect for today

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify
and govern both our hearts and
bodies in the ways of your laws
and the works of your
commandments;
that through your most mighty
protection, both here and ever, we
may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ, who is alive and reigns with
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion prayer for today

Strengthen for service, Lord, the
hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your
word be deaf to clamour and
dispute; may the tongues which
have sung your praise be free from
deceit; may the eyes which have
seen the tokens of your love shine
with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have
been fed with your body be

refreshed with the fullness of your
life;
glory to you for ever.

Amen

Readings for this morning's service of Holy Communion

First Reading: Genesis 15.1-6

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' ² But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' ³ And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' ⁵ He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' ⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

For the Word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God

Gospel: Luke 12.32-40

Hear the Gospel of our Lord,
Jesus Christ, according to
Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

³² 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The coming week's services and prayer

Wednesday 13th August

8.00pm, a short service of **Night Prayer** on our South Cleley [Facebook page](#).

Thursday 14th August

5.00pm Meditation Prayer

Contact [Mary McVay](#) so she can send you the details.

Sunday 17th August

8.45am Morning Prayer on Zoom
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12.00noon Holy Communion at
Furtho, followed by picnic.

*Please note that the barn area will still be in use
by the wedding hirers until midday, so please
head straight to the church on arrival. Toilet
facilities will be open adjacent to the barn **after**
the service (from 1pm) only.*

6.00pm Evensong at Cosgrove

Support for you

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Church Buildings

Our buildings are open at the following times:

Cosgrove Daily 10am to 4pm

Potterspury Daily around 9am to 5pm, or until after the last service of the day

Yardley Gobion Monday to Saturday 10am to 4pm, Sunday 12noon to 4pm

Wicken – the church is currently closed for ceiling works to be undertaken.

What else is coming up?

- **Sat 9 Aug – 10.30 – Church Café Plus** – Potterspury
- **Sat 16 Aug – 10.30 – Coffee, Cake & Chat** – Yardley Gobion
- **Mon 25 Aug – 15.30 – Afternoon Tea** – Potterspury
- **Tue 2 Sep – 9.00 – Little Lambs** – Potterspury
- **Tue 2 Sep – 12.45 – Nic's Kitchen** – Potterspury
- **Tue 9 Sep – 9.00 – Little Lambs** – Potterspury
- **Tue 9 Sep – 12.45 – Nic's Kitchen** – Potterspury
- **Thu 11 Sep (note change of date) – 10.30 – Coffee Morning** – Cosgrove (17 Main St)

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Additional Lectionary readings for this Sunday

Psalm 33.12-end

The earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.

12 Happy the nation whose God is the Lord ♦ and the people he has chosen for his own.

The earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.

13 The Lord looks down from heaven ♦ and beholds all the children of earth.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze ♦ on all who dwell on the earth.

15 He fashions all the hearts of them ♦ and understands all their works.

16 No king is saved by the might of his host; ♦ no warrior delivered by his great strength.

17 A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; ♦ for all its strength it cannot save.

The earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, ♦ on those who wait in hope for his steadfast love,

19 To deliver their soul from death ♦ and to feed them in time of famine.

20 Our soul waits longingly for the Lord; ♦ he is our help and our shield.

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him; ♦ in his holy name have we put our trust.

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, ♦ as we have set our hope on you.

The earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.

**Feed your people, Lord,
with your holy word and free us
from the emptiness of our
wrongful desires,
that we may sing the new song of
salvation through Jesus Christ our
Lord.**

Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Please take this pew-sheet home with you after today’s service.

You may wish to use the readings during the week for your own prayer and reflection.