

Welcome to St Mark's Church, Newnham

Sunday, 7th August 2022

8th Sunday after Trinity



Today's services

8am Communion (BCP)

Service Leaders: The Revd Jeremy Begbie

9.30am Communion (no Junior Church)

Service Leaders: The Revd Bethan Rodden & The Revd Rachel Rosborough

Helpful information

Practicalities

There is a fully accessible toilet as well as baby-changing facilities in the Community Centre across the car park behind the church.

Communion

All bread or wafers used are gluten-free. We have now reintroduced the shared chalice but recognise that not everyone is ready to take it. Please be assured it is perfectly valid to receive Communion in one kind only. Please take the wafer in your hand. The Church of England advises against intinction (dipping).

Collection

We are not taking an offering during our services at this time, but there is a collection plate at the back of the church. You can also give via our website.

Refreshments

Refreshments are served in the Community Centre after the 9.30am service – a chance to talk and get to know one another.

Hymns, prayers and readings for today's 9.30am service

Hymns: 422 Alleluia Sing to Jesus
487 Christ is the One Who Calls
588 And Can it Be
715 Lord for the Years

Collect (prayer for the day)

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

Readings:

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.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Luke 12:32-40

Reader: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: 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.'

Reader: This is the gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday, 9th August

11am, Communion (BCP)

Service Leader: The Revd Rachel Rosborough

SUNDAY, 14th August

8am, Communion (BCP)

Service Leader: The Revd Rachel Rosborough

9.30am, Communion

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