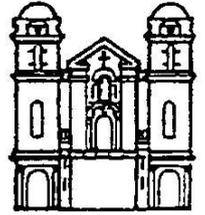


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This week at the Church of  
**St James the Greater**  
Leicester

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**13 SEPTEMBER 2020**  
**14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress.  
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**Our Prayers are asked for:**

**All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week**

George Daley : Gwen Leather : Marilyn Dorum  
and all those unable to attend services at this time.

**Unwell**

Ann Blanchard : Anthony and Barbara Green : Margaret Norman  
Owen Shepherd : Josephine Chizema (Tony's mother) heart surgery

**Rest in Peace**

Jean Nutting : Ivor Finn : Margaret Dimmer (William Woolley's Aunt)

**10:30**

**Said Eucharist**

**Welcome to St James the Greater**

On the following pages you will find the order of service for this week's worship. If you would like to have the leaflet emailed to you each Friday so you can print it or view it online, please contact the Church Office to be added to our mailing list.

There is no Offertory at present. To allow you to make your offering, collection bowls can be found on the tables at the back of church. If you are able, please wear a face covering throughout the service. If you have forgotten yours, please speak to a churchwarden. Please remember to complete the contact details slip that you will find with your leaflet and place it in the boxes as you leave church.

**Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the service.**

In the name of God, Creator, Sustainer and Redeemer.

*All* **Amen.**

The Lord be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

*All* **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Invitation to Confession

*All* **Creator God, we confess that we have not honoured and obeyed you. We have broken our relationships with one another, abused your fragile creation, wounded your love and marred your holy image in us. Father, forgive us. Lead us from apathy to love. Strengthen us as stewards of your precious people and of your glorious creation, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us. Amen.**

The Absolution

*All* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
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**

*Please sit.*

## Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

### The Pursuers Drowned

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

## Matthew 18:21-35

### Forgiveness

Then Peter came and said to him, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

### The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

### The Creed

*please stand*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

**We believe and trust in him.**

**This is the faith of the church.**

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Prayer of intercession

Response: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Concluding: Merciful father, **accept these prayer for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

*please stand*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond following:*

*...we may find a voice to say your prayer*

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The president recalls the Last Supper*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

... in songs of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Please move forward to receive communion*

May God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all goodness and growth, our his blessing on all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING** This years service will take place on Sunday 27 September at 10.30am. We will be collecting food for the Leicester South Food Bank. They are currently in particular need of fruit juice (long life), tinned fish, tinned meat, tinned potatoes, tinned carrots, tinned fruit, rice pudding, custard and jam. Food brought to Church should be placed in the cardboard boxes at the back of the Church rather than being brought to the front and donations will be quarantined before being passed onto families so there is no need to be concerned about disinfecting. Alternatively the Food Bank welcomes monetary donations so they can then buy what is needed or food can be dropped off during opening times.

**CONTACTING THE TEAM** Andrew can be contacted by email [revdaquigley@gmail.com](mailto:revdaquigley@gmail.com) or 0116 254 4113. Annabel in the Church Office can be contacted by email [office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk](mailto:office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk) or 07749 227109. Please don't hesitate to get in touch, further details are on our website [www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk)

## Resources for Home Worship

### Broadcast Media

Daily Service	Mon-Fri at 9.45am	Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong	Wed at 3.30pm & Sun at 3pm	Radio 3
Sunday Worship	Sun at 8.10am	Radio 4
Morning Worship	Sun – check schedule for time	BBC I
Songs of Praise	Sun – check schedule for time	BBC I

### Online

[www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org)  
[www.leicestercathedral.org](http://www.leicestercathedral.org)

**GIVING TO ST JAMES** We are most grateful to all those who have already pledged to continue their giving through this difficult time. ***If you normally give through gift aid envelopes, stewardship envelopes or cash on the plate, please contact the Church Office if you are able to switch to a standing order, we also can accept cheques through the post.***

**BIBLE STUDY** The vicar would like to invite you to an online video discussion of Sunday's readings. We do this via "zoom", an online video conferencing programme. To join you'll need a computer, phone or tablet with a camera and microphone, a reasonably good internet connection, and to download the zoom software (which is free). Please then email the vicar and you'll receive an invitation to the virtual meeting. ***If you need help downloading to your phone or computer please call or email Annabel who will try to help.***

**KEEPING IN TOUCH** This bulletin will be emailed every week if possible - if you do not have access to the internet please ask a relative or friend to contact the Church Office to be included.

### **DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE**

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind. This is a freephone number.

Options available include materials also available digitally by the Church of England's Communications team such as Prayer during the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line offers callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides a hymn and reflection and is based on an initiative by the Connections group.

The options are detailed below:

1. Hymns we love - one each day with a spoken reflection based on it
2. Hymn line - favourite hymns on a repeating loop
3. Prayer line - prayers for the coronavirus crisis
4. Access to more options (5-7)
5. Weekly service from C of E
6. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship
7. Latest Government advice on Coronavirus

Pressing 0 returns you to the top menu (1-4) and \* gives access to the full text of the Archbishop of Canterbury's introduction.

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset for a long time.

**Vicky Roe**  
**Pastoral Assistant**