

This week at the Church of St James the Greater

Leicester

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12th OCTOBER 2025 17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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.

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Marilyn Dorum: Nina French: Anthony Green: Gillian Boorne and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler: Nicola Shilton: Mandy Stephensen:

Mollie Drake: Michael Molloy: Chris Jones: Kathryn Haynes: Jean Warren: Stephanie Crapper: Polly Taylor: Caroline Hough: Rex and Margo Woolhouse:

Anne Sylvester: Diane Allen: John Finn

Rest in peace

Jose Lovatt

This week's Chancel Steps flowers are sponsored by the Brunning family in memory of David.

Welcome to St James the Greater

Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel 08:30 Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

> President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by: Feby John Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

> A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar Assisted by: Lucy Hutchinson and Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota Sidesperson: Margaret Clarke Servers: Lucy Hutchinson, Phil Jones and Billy Murray Setting: Bath and Wells Mass - Archer

HYMN 626 Father in whom we live **GLORIA** Bath and Wells Mass - Archer

READING 2 Timothy 2.8-15 read by Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, 9 for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. 11 The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

13 if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. 15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

GRADUAL HYMN 386 i Praise we now the word of grace

GOSPEL Luke 17.11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

SERMON
INTERCESSIONS
The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar
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OFFERTORY HYMN 450 (Tune 422)
Jesus calls us here to meet him
The Secret of Christ - Shephard
POST COMMUNION HYMN 430 i Bread of heaven, on thee we feed

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 638

Give me joy in my heart

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Please stay for refreshments at the end of the service.

A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church. Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the Service.

The Vicar Writes I hope the final two verses of our first reading bring strength to our new Archbishop Elect, Dame Sarah Mullaly. It does seem the Church has spent too long "wrangling over words", and that experienced priests like the Bishop of London need not defend their status as workers for the



Gospel. Our Gospel reading also contains a warning against judging the fitness of people according to preconceived ideas of who is "in" and who is "out."

18:30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: Mike Rule, Associate Minister Churchwardens: April Rule and Serge Mozota

Sidesperson: Julia Warner

Servers: Val Bailey and William Woolley

HYMN 698 i PRECES

PSALM 144

King of glory, King of peace

Regina Santos-Merx

(See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON read by William Woolley Nehemiah 6.1-16 Now when it was reported to Sanballat and Tobiah and to Geshem the Arab and to the rest of our enemies that I had built the wall and that there was no gap left in it (though up to that time I had not set up the doors in the gates), ² Sanballat and Geshem sent to me, saying, "Come and let us meet together in one of the villages in the plain of Ono." But they intended to do me harm. 3 So I sent messengers to them, saying, "I am doing a great work, and I cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave it to come down to you?" ⁴ They sent to me four times in this way, and I answered them in the same manner. ⁵ In the same way Sanballat for the fifth time sent his servant to me with an open letter in his hand. 6 In it was written, "It is reported among the nations—and Geshem also says it—that you and the Jews intend to rebel; that is why you are building the wall; and according to this report you wish to become their king. ⁷ You have also set up prophets to proclaim in Jerusalem concerning you, 'There is a king in Judah!' And now it will be reported to the king according to these words. So come, therefore, and let us confer together." 8 Then I sent to him, saying, "No such things as you say have been done; you are inventing them out of your own mind," 9 for they all wanted to frighten us, thinking, "Their hands will drop from the work, and it will not be done." But now, strengthen my hands.

¹⁰ One day when I went into the house of Shemaiah son of Delaiah son of Mehetabel, who was confined to his house, he said, "Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us close the doors of the temple, for they are coming to kill you; indeed, tonight they are coming to kill you." ¹¹ But I said, "Should a man like me run away? Would a man like me go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in!" ¹² Then I perceived and saw that God had not sent him at all, but he had pronounced the prophecy against me because Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. ¹³ He was hired for this purpose, to intimidate me and make me sin by acting in this way, and so they could give me a bad name, in order to taunt me. ¹⁴ Remember Tobiah and Sanballat, O my God, according to these things that they did, and also Noadiah the prophetess and the rest of the prophets who wanted to make me afraid.

¹⁵ So the wall was finished on the twenty-fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty-two days. ¹⁶ And when all our enemies heard of it, all the nations around us were afraid and fell greatly in their own esteem, for they perceived that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God.

MAGNIFICAT Blair in B minor

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON John 15.12-27 read by April Rule

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another. ¹⁸ "If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you, 'Slaves are not greater than their master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. 21 But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. 23 Whoever hates me hates my Father also. 24 If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not have sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. ²⁵ It was to fulfill the word that is written in their law, 'They hated me without a cause.'

²⁶ "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷ You also are to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.

NUNC DIMITTIS Dyson in C minor

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

Greater Love - Ireland

PRAYERS

Mike Rule, Associate Minister

HYMN 653

Happy are they that

HYMN 653 Happy are they, they that love God
SERMON Mike Rule. Associate Minister

HYMN 721 ii Love divine, all loves excelling

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church.

Sunday 19th October 18th Sunday after Trinity

08:30 Holy Communion President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

10:30 **Choral Mattins** Officiant: Angela Jagger, Reader

Readings: Nehemiah 8.9-18 and John 16.1-11

18:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Canon Dr Stephen Foster

Readings: 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 and Luke 18.1-8

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 15th

21:00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link

https://zoom.us/j/91012643324?pwd=Uy9ENU1PeVIvWERoelMzWi9BSnpRUT09

Meeting ID: 910 1264 3324 Passcode: Compline

Thursday 16th

12:30 Holy Communion Common Worship, Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Canon Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Lin Mawer

19.30 St James Singers Rehearsal

Friday 17th

16.30 Junior Choir. 18.30 Chorister Training. 19.00 Full Choir Rehearsal

Saturday 18th

11.00 Save the Parish Conference – 'A Parish is for life'

PLANNED GIVING St. James relies on donations for funding. The Parish Giving Scheme enables donations directly from your bank account and adds Gift Aid for the church, if you are a taxpayer. Information packs are on the table at the back of church.

Alternatively, boxes of envelopes for cash donations for each Sunday from Ist December 2025 to 30th November 2026 can be provided, to save you filling out a Gift Aid envelope each time. If you would like to have a box, and complete a Gift Aid form if you pay tax, please see Vicky Roe, leave a message for her at the church office (0116 2542111) or send an E-mail to:

pastoral.assistant@sthamesthegreater.org.uk

THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE

WARDROBE AT 75 The Vicar is on the panel speaking at this event at the Cathedral on Tuesday 14th at 7pm. Tickets available via the Cathedral Website.



ALL SOULS REQUIEM Please give names of those who have died in the last ten years to be remembered at this service on 2nd November to the Vicar or the church office by Sunday 26th October.

THE SHELL The deadline for contributions to the next edition of 'The Shell' is Sunday 2nd November. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk
Print copies of the Autumn edition are available at the back of church. Please place donations in the box on the wall.

MONTHLY RECITAL SERIES HELPERS A sign-up sheet is at the back of church if you'd like to be a helper at our monthly concerts.

ST JAMES'S ZOOM HOUSE GROUP Ever since Covid a group has been meeting approximately once a fortnight online for discussion and fellowship. After a long 'summer' break, we are planning to start up again with our first meeting on October 20th at 2.00 p.m. We would love to see more people there so if you would like the link or to ask more about it, please contact Val Bailey or Angela Jagger (A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk)

We are planning this autumn to look at some of the readings set for Evensong, but you don't need to be a regular Evensong person to enjoy this, and we are very open to future suggestions for topics. Do think about coming along.

SMALL SOUNDS

Our first session of the new music group for babies and preschoolers and their grown-ups led by our Director of Music Emma Trounson, took place last Monday and was great success. Small Sounds is a national initiative by the Cathedral Music Trust and we are fortunate to have been chosen to take part in the current cohort of churches and Cathedrals. We meet each Monday in the Church Hall in the with a session from 10.30am-11.00am followed by refreshments 11.00-11.30. Please let those with young children know about this. It's free to attend (with optional donations). There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church for anyone who would like to help. Please sign up for as much or as little as you can commit to. The timings are: Mondays: 10.00 set up, 10.15 doors open, 10.30 Music session, 11.00 refreshments and chat, 11.30 close and pack up till 11.45.

Resources for Home Worship Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 Extra on DAB

Freeview 708, Freesat 708, Sky 0126, Virgin Media 910 and online at

https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006wzfs

Sunday Worship Sunday at 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday at 1.15 pm BBC I
Choral Evensong Sunday and Wednesday at 3 pm Radio 3

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE – 0345 646 2206 charged at landline rate

Funded by the charity 'Faith in Later Life', which welcomes donations for the service at: www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset.

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

- I. Hymns we love
- 2. How to support Daily Hope
- 3. Chair exercises
- 4. One minute sermons by J. John
- 5. Weekly Church of England Service
- 6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope
- 7. Daily Prayers

Church office opening hours: Monday 13th October 1.15-4.15pm Wednesday 15th October 1.15-4.15pm Friday 17th October 1.15-4.15pm

