

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The **Weekly Sheet**

28 June 2020

The 3rd Sunday after Trinity

We are pleased to announce the re-opening of the church for private prayer and reflection. The church will be open on Monday and Wednesday mornings between 10 am and 12 noon. More details available further on in these notices.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in the different ways that we are trying to maintain our work as a church community. People are regularly phoning each other and praying for one another, we are hosting times of prayer and fellowship online and in a diverse range of ways, everyone is still supporting the work of the church within the Queen Edith ward and beyond. Whatever changes these next few weeks and months will bring, we will continue to try and offer support, prayer and worship. Please continue to visit the website and to check your emails for regular updates.

We will host worship and prayer time via Zoom today at 10 o'clock and host a weekly Bible reading and prayer time, via Zoom, on Wednesday at 8 pm.

If you would like more details, please contact me at s.rothwell3@btinternet.com

Collect for today

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Today's readings are:

Jeremiah 28.5-9; Psalm 89.1-4,15-18; Romans 6.12-end; Matthew 10.40-end.

Jeremiah 28.5-9

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hannah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, 'Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfil the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.'

Psalm 89.1-4, 15-18;

My song shall be always of the loving-kindness / of the / Lord:
with my mouth will I proclaim your faithfulness
through/out all / gene/rations.
I will declare that your love is es/ta/lished for / ever;
you have set your faithfulness as / firm / as the / heavens.
For you said: 'I have made a covenant / with my / chosen one;
I have sworn an / oath to / David my / servant:
"Your seed will I es/ta/lish for / ever
and build up your throne for / all / gene/rations."
Happy are the people who know the / shout of / triumph:
they walk, O / Lord, in the / light of your / countenance.
In your name they rejoice / all the day / long
and are ex/altd / in your / righteousness.
For you are the / glory of their / strength,
and in your favour / you lift / up our / heads.
Truly the / Lord is our / shield;
the Holy One of / Israel / is our / king.

Romans 6.12-end

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

Slaves of Righteousness

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 10.40-end

Rewards

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

Readings for Next Sunday, 5 July (4th Sunday after Trinity) are:

Zechariah 9.9-12; Psalm 145.8-15; Romans 7.15-25a; Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end

St James' is now open again for private prayer and reflection on Mondays and Wednesdays between 10.00 am and 12 noon. You are very welcome to come in to church for some quiet time alone during these times. We ask that you please use the hand sanitiser upon entering and leaving and observe social distancing of 2 metres. Please do not touch Bibles and other literature.

There will be a **PMC Steering Group meeting** on Tuesday 30 June at 8.00 pm, via Zoom.

Thank you to everyone for **your continued financial support** of St James' Church. The week by week giving enables us to pay the essential running costs of the church, such as utility bills and the ministry share. Since we are unable to meet together in our building on a Sunday morning, it is all the more important that planned giving continues. Thank you to those of you who have arranged direct debits etc and may we remind those of you who use the envelope scheme to fill and save your envelopes, week by week, for a time when we can meet together once again.

We are continuing to host a weekly Bible reading and prayer time, via Zoom, on **Wednesday evenings at 8 pm**. This is open to all, and will be for about an hour. It's a chance to offer prayer support for one another and to share Bible reading together. If you're interested please click on the Zoom link that Steve will send out via email before each meeting. It may be helpful to have a Bible to hand when you join.

If you can't join but would like something or someone mentioned in our prayers do let Steve know.

Grass cutting volunteers: The mower is back in the shed after its recent repair. Please can those on the rota check your designated dates and let Stanley Wilson know if you are not able to cut the grass, if you have not already done so. Now that the church is in use for the Food Hub it would be good to keep it tidy. 01223 247507 or email sue@wilsontudorhouse.plus.com

Food Hub. St James' building is being used as a Food Hub. People are invited to collect food from St James on a Saturday morning, between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm. The food will be a basic food package and is ideally for those who are either struggling to pay for provisions or cannot get to the shops or book an online delivery. We will also be delivering in some circumstances.

There is also the opportunity to donate to the Food hub and donations should be dropped off at St James' on Wednesday afternoons between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm or on Friday afternoons between 3.00 pm and 5.00 pm – thank you. Look on the Queen Edith Community

Forum website to find more details about the food hub and to see a list of the most needed items. Read also about the opportunity to now donate financially as well. https://queen-ediths.info/donate-to-the-queen-ediths-community-food-hub/?utm_source=Queen+Edith%27s+Community+News+Email&utm_campaign=a26f24ce88-COVID-19_nightly_emails_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_760a733bc5-a26f24ce88-393985325

This is an initiative arranged by volunteers from the Happy to Help scheme which the Queen Edith Community Forum is organising. There will be a protocol observing health and safety guidelines relevant to Covid19. If you have any queries about how this is working get in touch with Steve or Anne.

Phone line. The Church of England central team have supported the release of the Daily Hope phone line. 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. Find out more here - <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-parishes/daily-hope-phone-line>

If you would like to add your name to our **prayer list of names that appear on the back of the weekly sheet**, please contact Caroline. We are currently updating the list and it would be lovely to include the names of newcomers to our congregation but also the names of others who regularly worship with us but may not have forwarded their wish to be included. If you are not sure whether you are already on the list and would like to add your name, do please check with Caroline.

Caroline is working from home. Please continue to email or phone as you would normally (details on the last page). Caroline can access both the internet and the church office phone from home.

Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Sally and Robert Young, George and Peter
Monday	Linda Appleby and family
Tuesday	Sarah and Alex Aylward, Emily and Sophie
Wednesday	Helen Arnold and family
Thursday	John and Jackie Bartholomew and family
Friday	Jenny Bell and Andrew Brown and family
Saturday	Jim and Ethel Bentley and family

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Weekly Church Activities – *currently suspended*

Junior Choir Practice	Sundays, 11.15 am – 12 noon
Choir Practice	Mondays 6.30 pm—7.30 pm
Meditation Group	Fridays 1.30 pm—2.00 pm

Community Activities – *currently suspended*

Beavers (6-8 yrs)	16thcambridgebeavers@gmail.com
Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)	Stephen Harrison, 07548 765421
Scouts (10½ - 14 yrs, QE Schl)	16thcambridgescouts@gmail.com

Our parish magazine **Crosspiece** is available on the website.

If you are ordering goods from **Amazon**, please remember to use the Amazon link on the St James' website fundraising page. It doesn't cost you any more but gives St James a percentage of the price you pay.