

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

# *The* **Weekly Sheet**

**23 August 2020**

## **11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

9.30 am Children's Activity  
10.00 am Sunday Worship for everyone, via Zoom,  
with reflection by Rev'd Ros Hunt

The church will be open on Monday and Wednesday mornings this week between 10 am and 12 noon for private prayer and reflection.

Morning Prayer will be said this week at 8.30 am via Zoom on Mon, Weds and Fri.

Our Wednesday mid-week bible reading and prayer support, via Zoom, will be at 8.00 pm. Thank you for your continued support and participation in the different ways that we are maintaining our work as a church community.

The Funeral for Anne Phillips is on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 11 am, in church. Attendance at the service is limited to invitation only due to current restrictions. Please remember Anne and all her family in your prayers.

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### **Collect for today**

God of glory,  
the end of our searching,  
help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have  
to gain the pearl beyond all price,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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### **Today's readings are:**

**Isaiah 51.1-6; Psalm 138; Romans 12.1-8; Matthew 16.13-20**

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### **Isaiah 51.1-6**

### **Blessings in Store for God's People**

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,  
you that seek the LORD.  
Look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.  
Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,

but I blessed him and made him many.  
For the LORD will comfort Zion;  
he will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people,  
and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me,  
and my justice for a light to the peoples.  
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out  
and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me,  
and for my arm they hope.  
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be for ever,  
and my deliverance will never be ended.

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## **Psalm 138**

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my / whole / heart;  
before the gods will / I sing / praise to / you.  
I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,  
because of your / love and / faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name  
/ and your / word above / all things.  
In the day that I called to you, you / answered / me;  
you / put new / strength in my / soul.  
All the kings of the earth shall / praise you, O / Lord,  
for they have / heard the / words of your / mouth.  
They shall sing of the / ways of the / Lord,  
that great is the / glory / of the / Lord.  
Though the Lord be high, he watches / over the / lowly;  
as for the proud, he re/gards them / from a/far.  
Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
/ you will pre/serve me;  
you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
/ your right / hand will / save me.  
The Lord shall make good his / purpose / for me;  
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;  
for/sake not the / work of your / hands.

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## **Romans 12.1-8**

## The New Life in Christ

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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## Matthew 16.13-20

### Peter's Declaration about Jesus

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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## Readings for Next Sunday, 30 August (12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity) are:

**Jeremiah 15.15-21; Psalm 26.1-8; Romans 12.9-end; Matthew 16.21-end**

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### Arrangements during August

**Sunday Zoom services** will continue as usual at 10.00 am.

The church will continue to open regularly for **private prayer and reflection** on Monday and Wednesday mornings between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon. You are very welcome to come in to church for some quiet time for private prayer and reflection. Please respect social distancing rules of 2 metres and use hand sanitiser upon entering and leaving the church. Please do not touch Bibles and other literature.

**Morning Prayer** will be said as usual at 8.30 am, via Zoom. Please contact Steve if you would like to join and he will send you the invite.

There will be **bible reading and prayer support**, via Zoom, on Wednesdays at 8.00 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. It may be helpful to have a Bible to hand when you join.

We are hoping to publish an issue of **Crosspiece** at the beginning of September. If you wish to submit anything please send to [jenniferdayok@hotmail.com](mailto:jenniferdayok@hotmail.com) We welcome contributions, and are especially happy to include more items relating to your experiences with church, work, family life, etc during the ongoing Covid restrictions. There are many questions involving the future of *Crosspiece*, and help would be welcome from anyone wishing to become involved even on a small scale. There is scope for editors, writers, photographers, distributors, people with ideas. Please contact Jennifer Day, Christina Hood or Mary Calladine or Steve.

**Food Hub.** The Food Hub will continue to open on a Saturday morning between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm during August. 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 Friday afternoons between 3.00 pm and 4.30 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](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.

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.

**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>

**Caroline is on holiday** until Wednesday 2 September when the office will reopen from 9.15 am until 1.15 pm.

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## **Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'**

Sunday	Steve and Emma Rothwell, Isaac and Leo
Monday	Ian Rowland
Tuesday	David Sanders
Wednesday	Michael and Caroline Sanford and family
Thursday	Janet and Robert Scott, Anne and Adam
Friday	Peggy Shortley
Saturday	Jordan Skittrell

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### **Contacts**

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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

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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.