

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The Weekly Sheet

5 September 2021

14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Today:

8.00 am Eucharist

10.00 am All Age Eucharist

Welcome to our services. Today's service at 10 o'clock is the first in a 'Season of Creation' series which we will be following each week until Harvest. The service will be accessible via Zoom. Ask Steve for the link.

For the start of the autumn term we will be continuing with the PCC's decision to ask everyone who comes inside the church building to continue to wear a mask, to use the hand sanitizer and to sign our 'track and trace' register. The chairs will be arranged in a safely-distanced way and we ask people to stay in their household groups. We will continue to monitor the Government and C of E guidelines and will respond accordingly.

This Week:

Monday 6th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	10.30 am	Staff Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday 8th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	10.15 am	Eucharist in Church
	8.00 pm	Bible Reading and Prayer Support via Zoom
Thursday 9th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	8.00 pm	PCC Meeting in the Study Centre
Friday 10th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom

Today's readings at 8 o'clock are:

Proverbs 22.1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125; James 2.1-10 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 7.24-end

Our hymns at 10 o'clock can be found on a separate sheet

Collect for today

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Proverbs 22.1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches,
and favour is better than silver or gold.

The rich and the poor have this in common:

the LORD is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,
and the rod of anger will fail.

Those who are generous are blessed,
for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor,
or crush the afflicted at the gate;

for the LORD pleads their cause
and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Psalm 125

Those who trust in the Lord are / like Mount / Zion,
which cannot be moved, / but stands / fast for / ever.

As the hills stand a/bout Je/rusalem,
So the Lord stands round about his people,
from this time / forth for / ever/more.

The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway

Over the land al/lotted to the / righteous,
lest the righteous / turn their / hands to / evil.

Do good, O Lord, to / those who are / good,
and to / those who are / true of / heart.

Those who turn aside to crooked ways

The Lord shall take away with the / evil/doers;
but let there be / peace / upon / Israel.

James 2.1-10 [11-13] 14-17

Warning against Partiality

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.[For the one who said, 'You shall not commit adultery', also said,

'You shall not murder.' Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement.]

Faith without Works Is Dead

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Mark 7.24-end

The Syrophenician Woman's Faith

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Jesus Cures a Deaf Man

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

Readings for next Sunday, 12 September (15th Sunday after Trinity)

Proverbs 1.20-33; Psalm 19 [or 19.1-6] or Canticle Wisdom 7.26-8.1; James 3.1-12;
Mark 8.27-end

Volunteers are needed please to help move chairs after the 10 o'clock service today. If you are able, please stay on to help with this. Thank you.

Many thanks to Helen, Ros, and Peter for presiding at various services during August.

Sides-people required for 10 am Sunday service. The first duty of sides-people is to extend a warm and friendly welcome to all attending church on a Sunday. They also hand out hymn books and service booklets, collect them after the service, are responsible for tidying up, counting the collection and putting in the safe. So it is not an onerous task for a regular churchgoer. Currently we have a list of six volunteers, so, as they work in pairs, they are on duty more than once a month. A few more volunteers would be most welcome. Please contact Hatty (Churchwarden) if interested.

Judith Pinhey and family would like to thank everyone who sent cards, for their memories of Jonathan, their kind thoughts, and their prayers, which are a great comfort to us.

Thank you to all who have donated to **CMS**. We have collected £355.97 which has been sent to the charity. If anyone would like to donate to CMS please let Maureen Gibbs or Alison Giles know. The idea is that loose change is put into a box over the year. This is then sent to the charity in January.

Some people are unaware of how to turn on the **outside tap**. The tap is under the wash hand basin in the disabled toilet – turn the handle to the horizontal position. Please ensure you turn it off again afterwards because otherwise it dribbles badly and wastes water.

This week the **church office** will be open on Wednesday and Thursday morning, 9.15 am – 1.15 pm.

Food Hub. The Food Hub continues to operate on a Saturday morning between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm here at St James'.

The food remains a basic food package ideally for those who are either struggling to pay for provisions or who cannot get to the shops or book an online delivery.

The Food Hub is able to receive donations at church between 3 and 4 pm on a Friday afternoon. Look on the Queen Edith Community Forum website to find more details about those items most needed - and about how to donate financially. Thank you.

Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Peter Canning
Monday	Denis Chandler
Tuesday	Vera Chapman and family
Wednesday	Eric and Rhena Clouston and family
Thursday	Ellen and Andrew Collings, Sharn and Troy
Friday	Jennifer Day and family
Saturday	Caroline and Tony Dickson and Helen

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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

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.