

St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The Weekly Sheet

13 March 2022

The 2nd Sunday of Lent



Today:

8.00 am	Holy Communion
8.45 am	Lent Breakfast
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist

Welcome to our services.

The Government lifted all legal restrictions regarding Covid recently, but for the time being, we continue to ask everyone who comes inside the church building 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 review our guidance after our next PCC meeting in mid March.

Today's readings are:

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Phillipians 3.17-4.1; Luke 13.31-end.

Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening:	The God of Abraham praise	NEH 148, vv 1, 6, 7, 8
Offertory:	Jesus, these eyes have never seen	NEH 389
Communion:	Ah holy Jesu, how hast thou offended	NEH 62
Final:	Bright the vision that delighted	NEH 343
Anthem	Be thou my vision (Bob Chilcott),	

Collect for today

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

This week:

Monday 14 th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer in Church
	10.00 am	Meditation Group in the Study Centre
Wednesday 16 th	10.15 am	Eucharist
		<i>Deadline for APCM Reports</i>
	7.30 pm	Lent Group 2/6, via Zoom. See page 6 for details
Thursday 17 th	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting via Zoom
Friday 18 th	9.15 am	Morning Prayer in Church

Dates for your Diary:

3 April 11.30 am APCM

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18

God's Covenant with Abram

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then / shall I / fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then / shall I / be a/fraid?

When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,
came upon me to / eat up my / flesh,
they / stumbled / and / fell.
Though a host encamp against me,
my heart shall / not be a/fraid,
And though there rise up war against me,
yet will I / put my / trust in / him.
One thing have I asked of the Lord
and that a/lone I / seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
/ all the / days of my / life,
to behold the fair / beauty of the / Lord
and to / seek his / will in his / temple.
For in the day of trouble
he shall hide me / in his / shelter;
In the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me
and set me / high up/on a / rock.
And now shall he / lift up my / head
above my / enemies / round a/bout me;
therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation
with / great / gladness;
I will sing and make / music / to the / Lord.
Hear my voice, O Lord, / when I / call;
have / mercy up/on me and / answer me.
My heart tells of your word, / Seek my / face.'
Your / face, Lord, / will I / seek.
Hide / not your / face from me,
nor cast your / servant a/way in dis/pleasure.
You have / been my / helper;
Leave me not, neither forsake me, O / God of / my sal/vation.
Though my father and my / mother for/sake me,
The / Lord will / take me / up.
Teach me your / way, O / Lord;
lead me on a level path,
because of / those who / lie in / wait for me.
Deliver me not into the / will of my / adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and / those who / breathe out / violence.
I believe that I shall see the / goodness of the / Lord
in the / land / of the / living.
Wait for the Lord;
be strong and he shall / comfort your / heart;
wait / patiently / for the / Lord.

Philippians 3.17-4.1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will

transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Luke 13.31-end

The Lament over Jerusalem

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

Readings for next Sunday, 20 March 2022 (3rd Sunday of Lent)

Isaiah 55.1-9; Psalm 63.1-9; 1 Corinthians 10.1-13; Luke 13.1-9

Welcome to Elizabeth Baker who joins us on placement. Elizabeth is currently a minister in training at ERMIC.

Lent Breakfasts. We are holding Lent breakfasts every Sunday during Lent on 6, 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April (but not Palm Sunday). There is no charge although a suggested donation of £3 towards the work of Traidcraft would be very welcome. To help with numbers please sign the list on the noticeboard. Offers to set up and prepare the breakfast and to assist with clearing away are also requested please. All are welcome.

Confirmation group for children. For any families interested in confirmation we are meeting on 13, 20 and 27 March after the 10 o'clock service - please speak to Steve. Any adults who may be interested, please also speak to Steve.

APCM: Our APCM meeting will be held on Sunday 3 April at 11.30 am (Zoom/in-person tbc). We have churchwarden and PCC vacancies. Could you fill one of these positions? If you think you might be interested, please speak to Steve.

APCM Reports. If you head up a group or church activity here at St James' please consider writing a report for our APCM. Reports only need to be a few lines long and should be for the period January – December 2021. Please forward as a Word document to Caroline by Wednesday 16 March at the very latest. Thank you. stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk

We would very much like to regularly offer **tea and coffee after our 10 o'clock services**, starting as soon as possible, and are looking for more volunteers. Rosemary Monk has offered

to put the rota together. If you can help, please contact her on (01223) 246421 or rem66@btinternet.com Thank you.

Grass Cutting Rota. Stanley Wilson is about to draw up the church grass cutting rota. We are now very short on numbers (only 3) and really need more people to come forward please. If you feel you can help, please contact Stanley via sue@wilsontudorhouse.plus.com Thank you.

Cambridge Half Marathon. Steve was due to run the half marathon recently but due to a back injury had to withdraw. However, Steve is registered to run the Milton Keynes half marathon on Monday 2nd May, so all your donations will not have been in vain! Thank you for all your support. You can still donate via his JustGiving page at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/steven-rothwell>

Caroline will be working in the office on Wednesday and Thursday morning this week and working from home on Monday morning.

The **Food Hub** is open again regularly on Saturdays, 10.30 – 12 noon.



LENT

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“What is justice? It’s a question we encounter everywhere in life and that over the last years has increasingly demanded an answer.

In the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Lent Book for 2022, Isabelle Hamley invites us on an exhilarating journey through Scripture to discover how we , as churches, communities and individual Christians, can seek and practice justice even when enmeshed in such a fractured world. Full of practical encouragement, *Embracing Justice* brilliantly weaves together biblical texts, diverse voices, contemporary stories, and personal and group meditations to reveal liberating and imaginative ways in which we may grow in discipleship—and more fully reflect the justice, mercy and compassion of Christ in our lives.”

Embracing Justice is available to purchase from bookshops as well as on-line (Amazon) etc. It is not essential to have a copy of the book but you may enjoy reading it as we go through the sessions.

We will meet on Zoom on the following evenings at 7.30 pm:
Thurs 10th, Wed 16th, Thurs 24th, Wed 30th March,
Wed 6th and Wed 13th April

Zoom link for each session:

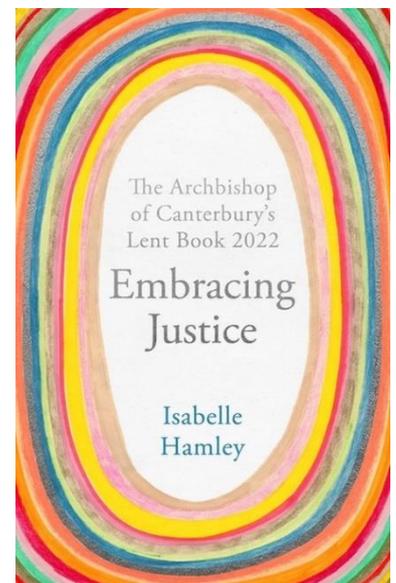
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Our session on 16 March will look at Exodus 1.8–22.



Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday	Una Turner and family
Monday	Kathleen and John Waterhouse
Tuesday	Edward and Joanne Westrip, Saskia, Christian and Theo
Wednesday	Stan and Susan Wilson, Catherine, Nicola and Amy
Thursday	Grae and Jacqui Worster, Susannah, Lizzie, Katherine and Caroline
Friday	Sally and Robert Young, George and Peter
Saturday	Linda Appleby and family

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Weekly Church Activities

Junior Choir Practice	Sundays, 11.15 am – 12 noon
Choir Practice	Mondays, 6.30 pm—7.30 pm
Meditation Group	Mondays, 10.00 am

Community Activities

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.