## St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

# The Weekly Sheet

26 January 2025

3rd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY



#### **Today**:

8.00 am Eucharist
10.00 am Parish Eucharist

#### Welcome to our services.

If you are visiting St James for the first time please introduce yourself to the vicar or a sidesperson (the person who may have greeted you when you arrived and offered you service booklets). You may wish to complete a contact details card so that we can send you details of forthcoming events. These are available on the table in the foyer.

If it is your usual practice to receive bread and wine at communion, please feel free to do so at these services. We are following the Bishop's guidelines which stipulate that it is not permissible to intinct the bread (wafer) into the wine chalice. Therefore if you do not wish to drink from the chalice please return to your seat after taking the bread.

## Today's readings are:

Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a; Luke 4.14-21

## Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening: Christ, whose glory fills the skies NEH 234
Offertory: Firmly I believe and truly NEH 360
Communion: Father of heaven, whose love profound NEH 358
Final: King of glory, King of peace NEH 391

Anthem: Lead me Lord (\$ \$ Wesley)

## **Collect for Today**

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

#### This week:

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
	12 noon	Meditation Group
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 29th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
	10.15 am	Eucharist
Saturday 1st	10.00 am	Saturday Morning Cafe
	10.30 am	Fairbite Food Club
	5.00 pm	Music Group Rehearsal

## **Dates for your Diary:**

Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	Puddings and Games Evening
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 pm	Hymn Service at Cherry Hinton Care Home

## Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10

all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to

them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

#### Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens are telling the / glory of / God and the / firmament pro/claims his / handiwork.
- 2 One day pours out its / song to an/other and one night unfolds / knowledge / to an/other.
- 3 They have neither / speech nor / language and their / voices / are not / heard,
- 4 Yet their sound has gone out into / all / lands and their / words to the / ends of the / world.
- 5 In them has he set a tabernacle / for the / sun, that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber and rejoices as a / champion to / run his / course.
- 6 It goes forth from the end of the heavens and runs to the very / end a/gain, and there is nothing / hidden / from its / heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect, re/viving the / soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives / wisdom / to the / simple.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are right and re/joice the / heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives / light / to the / eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and en/dures for / ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and / righteous / alto/gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than / much fine / gold,

sweeter also than honey, / dripping / from the / honeycomb.

- 11 By them also is your / servant / taught and in keeping them / there is / great re/ward.
- 12 Who can tell how often / they of/fend?
- O cleanse me / from my / secret / faults!
- 13 Keep your servant also from pre/sumptuous / sins lest they get do/minion / over / me; so shall I be / unde/filed,

and / innocent of / great o/ffence.

- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable / in your / sight,
- O Lord, my / strength and / my re/deemer.

### 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

#### Luke 4.14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the

synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

## Readings for next Sunday, 2 February (Presentation of Christ in the Temple)

Malachi 3.1-5; Psalm 24 [1-6] 7-end; Hebrews 2.14-end; Luke 2.22-40

**Rosie Hewitt** was signed off as a curate by Bishop Dagmar last week, which means she has accomplished all she needed to do to serve her curacy.

Next Sunday will be Rosie's last day with St James, before she begins a new role at Great St Mary's Church in the city centre. Rosie's time as a curate here has been immensely fruitful and we wish her well. There will be a chance to say goodbye to her next Sunday, which will be her last Sunday with us. We wish you, Duncan, Robin and Aidan, a bright and prosperous future, Rosie.

Thank you to everyone who supported our **Bring & Buy Sale** yesterday. The amount raised can be found on the noticeboard. Look out for our next one on 22 February.

**St James' 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary.** St James' is going to be 70 years old this year! We would like to think about ways of celebrating this event. **If anyone would like to be part of a planning team**, please let Steve know.

**Prayer Names for the Weekly Sheet.** If you would like to add your name to the list which appears on the Weekly Sheet please let Caroline in the office know. Additionally, if you would like to make any changes, eg your adult children have moved away, and you are happy to be listed with your name and 'and family' instead, please get in contact. Caroline can be reached on the office email, stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk

We have several **tins and containers** left over from our Christmas Fair and Carol Service. Please take a look on the shelf outside the kitchen door and take what is yours. We also have a number of **water bottles** collecting on the window sill in the kitchenette off the front entrance foyer. Items remaining after the end of January will be given to charity/disposed of.

**The office** is open on Wednesday and Thursday this week, usual opening hours. Caroline will be working from home on Monday morning and has access to the office phone and email.

## Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday Linda Appleby and family

Monday Sarah and Alex Aylward, Emily and Sophie

Tuesday Helen Arnold and family

Wednesday John and Jackie Bartholomew and family

Thursday Jenny Bell and Andrew Brown, Adam, Rachel and Matthew

Friday Jill and Hugh Bradley, Emily and Amanda Saturday Jennie and Guy Brandon, Sophie and Joseph

If you would like to add your name to our prayer list please let Caroline in the office know.

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#### **Weekly Church Activities**

Junior Choir Practice Mondays, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm Choir Practice Mondays, 7.00 pm—8.00 pm Lower Voices Choir Wednesdays, 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm

Meditation Group Mondays, 12 noon

#### **Community Activities**

Beavers (6-8 yrs)

Cubs (8-11 yrs, QE Schl)

Scouts (10½ - 14 yrs, QE Schl)

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We continue to provide a Zoom link for our 10 o'clock Sunday services:

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82338214638?pwd=aUnysvbmoHYlg6ArvF3sQCyGnXXTF0.1

Meeting ID: 823 3821 4638

Passcode: 725200

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.

If you are not a regular giver, or would like to top up your regular **donations**, you can do this by scanning the **QR code here** or by using the Donation Station in the lobby for cashless donations.