St James', Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

The Weekly Sheet

16 February 2025

3rd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT



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:

Jeremiah 17.5-10; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15.12-20; Luke 6.17-26

Our hymns at 10 o'clock are:

Opening: All my hope on God is founded NEH 333
Offertory: Breathe on me, breath of God NEH 342
Communion: Blest are the pure in heart NEH 341
Final: Through all the changing scenes of life NEH 467

Anthem: Holy is the true light (William Harris)

Collect for Today

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord.

This week: (local schools on half term holiday)

Monday 17 th	9.00 am 11.00 am	Morning Prayer Holiday Lunch Club (No Meditation Group)
Tuesday 18 th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 19th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer
	10.15 am	Eucharist
Saturday 22 nd	10.00 am	Saturday Morning Cafe
	10.30 am	Fairbite Food Club
	10.30 am	Bring & Buy Sale

Dates for your Diary:

Saturday 1 March	5.00 pm	Music Group Rehearsal
Sunday 2 nd		Completed electoral roll forms to be returned by today
Wednesday 5 th	10.15 am	Ash Wednesday Eucharist
	11.00 am	Pastoral Group Meeting
Saturday 8 th	6.30 pm	Puddings and Games Evening
Tuesday 11 th	2.30 pm	Hymn service at Cherry Hinton Care Home
	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Saturday 29 th	10.30 am	Bring & Buy Sale
Sunday 6 April	11.30 am	APCM

Jeremiah 17.5-10

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Psalm 1

1 Blessed are they who have not walked in the / counsel of the / wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the as/sembly / of the / scornful.

- 2 Their delight is in the / law of the / Lord and they meditate on his / law / day and / night.
- 3 Like a tree planted by streams of water bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that / do not / wither, whatever they / do, / it shall / prosper.
- 4 As for the wicked, it is not / so with / them; they are like chaff which the / wind / blows a/way.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to / stand in the / judgement, nor the sinner in the congre/gation / of the / righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the / way of the / righteous, but the / way of the / wicked shall / perish.

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ

have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Luke 6.17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

- 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.
- 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.
- 'But woe to you who are rich,
 - for you have received your consolation.
- 'Woe to you who are full now,
 - for you will be hungry.
- 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.
- 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

Readings for next Sunday, 23 February (2nd Sunday before Lent)

Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end; Psalm 65; Revelation 4; Luke 8.22-25

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There is no **Meditation Group** tomorrow as we have Holiday Lunch Club.

Electoral Roll. This year, an entirely new Electoral Roll has to be prepared. This is something that happens every six years. As a result, **everyone needs to complete a new form, even if they are already on the roll.** Everyone on our current electoral roll is being contacted. Where we don't have an email address, a few may be posted.

You can complete your form either digitally or by hand – copies are available on the entrance table in the foyer. Please return digital copies to the office stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk Return hard copies either to the church office or Eleanor Pippard (Electoral Roll Officer) and in both cases, no later than 2 March 2025. Thank you.

We will be holding our next **Bring & Buy Sale** this Saturday (22 February). If you can help set up/clear away or run a stall, please contact Pam 07745 591235 or email at pambutler27@hotmail.com Donations of cakes are always popular and we would welcome small gifts suitable for raffle prizes. Thank you.

St James' 70th 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.

We send out a **weekly update email** with a few bits of news every Friday. If you don't receive a copy and would like to, please contact Caroline in the office. stjameschurchcambridge@yahoo.co.uk

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 contact Caroline.

The office is closed this week.

Prayer for Friends and Congregation of St James'

Sunday Robert and Fran Hawkins and Gwen

Monday Ann and Geoff Heathcock

Tuesday David Heslam

Wednesday Ruth Holdstock, Jon Griffiths, Matilda and Theo

Thursday Christina Hood, Elena and Lukas

Friday Geoff Howard

Saturday Elspeth Hutchison and family

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.