

# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

## **Readings and Notice Sheet**

### **8th Sunday after Trinity**

### **2 August 2020**

**We meet in the name of God who is  
(+) Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

#### ***The Collect***

Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:  
when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### ***Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures***

*Our first reading today is from the prophet Isaiah. Isaiah 55:1-5 sounds like an invitation hymn. Think of it as an ancient “Just As I Am.” This “hymn’s” invitation was offered originally to exiles in Babylon by an anonymous (to us, but probably not to them) prophet whose words are found in Isaiah 40-55. People from Judah had been in exile there since the Babylonian invasions of the early sixth century B.C.E. Now, later in that century, the opportunity to go home was in sight, since Cyrus of Persia, who had less restrictive policies than the Babylonians toward subject peoples, was on the move (see Isaiah 44:28; Ezra 1:1-4). Maybe a few people were still around who remembered Judah, but most of the people hearing these words had never seen the land of their ancestors.*

#### **Isaiah 55:1-5**

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### **Our Second reading**

*This week we continue our readings from the letter to the Romans. The anguish of heart toward another fellow human being drives us to a lament, which in Christian terms is a prayer motivated by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.*

*In simple terms, the Holy Spirit moves us to an anguish of heart. Romans 9-10 is imbued with the Apostle Paul's compassion for his own people who for some reason have not yet accepted Jesus Christ even though God has incarnated in Jesus Christ. It is this "deconversion," or hardness of heart that drives the Apostle Paul to his knees and pours his heart out to God on behalf of his own people.*

### **Romans 9:1-5**

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### **The Gospel reading is Matthew 14:13-21.**

*The role of Jesus as a teacher in Matthew 13 shifts to Jesus' role as a miracle worker. As described earlier in the gospel, "Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people" (Matthew 4:23). As a result of Jesus' ministry, large crowds follow him. In 14:13, Jesus once again leaves the crowd and takes refuge in a boat and once again the crowds follow him (see 13:1-2). One of Jesus' most recognized miracles is found in this text, but it occurs only after he spends time healing the sick people. This miracle demonstrates that Jesus attends to the physical needs of the people. He does not focus solely on their spiritual health through his teaching. He is also concerned that they are sick. He empathizes with those who are hungry.*

### **Matthew 14:13-21**

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Gospel of our Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**After you have read today's readings you may like to spend some time reflecting on what God is saying to you!**

**Intercessions**

We come with our prayers for all the world, for our community and for those who are on our hearts at this time.

God of all creation, we come to you in all our need,  
As we pray for your Church, that it might share your healing throughout the world.  
We pray that as we prepare to return to our churches for worship  
we will be focused on you, the one to be worshiped and not on ourselves.  
We prayer especially for Bishop's Sarah and Pete  
and all who offer leadership in these challenging times

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

Gracious God, who feeds us in body and in spirit  
We pray for the world, created by your love,  
for its nations and governments especially those struggling with injustice and  
conflict; and all who are working to overcome the Pandemic.  
We remember all who face discrimination and exclusion each day,  
may we truly see each other as made in your image.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

Holy God, who longs for us to respond to the need around us,  
We pray for all who are in need at this time.  
For those who struggle with pain and grief;  
for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying.  
For all who are fearful at this time.  
Breathe on all the breath of life and bring them your mercy and grace.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for those who are on our hearts and minds, and those who have asked for our prayers. Amongst them we remember before you Helen, Yvonne, Rute, Patience, Ron, Evelyn, Linda, Richard, John, Josephine, John, Cecilia and Ruth. We pray for all who are in need of your love and grace.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

God who at the last welcomes us into your eternal Kingdom. We give thanks for your promise as we pray for all who have died and those whose anniversaries fall at this time including Dorothy Wright and Patricia Harris.

Bring us all to the promise of your eternal love and peace.  
Rest Eternal Grant unto them O Lord

**And let light perpetual shine upon them**

May they rest in peace  
**And rise in glory**

Gracious God, in this time of stillness we bring our own prayers before you...

Merciful God,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

While there is no Eucharist at present, the post communion prayer sums up many of the themes in the readings of the day.

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body  
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

## **Notices**

**The Rev'd Natasha Woodward** will be licensed as the Interim Minister at Christ Church. At 8pm on the 2nd September.

***When you come to church remember to stay close to God  
and a safe distance from each other!***



### **Closure Service for St Andrew's and LIFC**

A huge thank you to all who assisted with our special service last Sunday to mark the closure of St Andrew's URC and the London Inter Faith Centre. Your assistance was very much appreciated.

### **Prayer windows**

The prayer windows are coming along nicely—thanks to those who have already contributed prayers. You are invited to continue to contribute prayers which might be displayed to show that the church is still at work. Hand written prayers of postcard size would be great. Feel free to decorate if you would like, or cut into a shape. Some are already in the shape of candles and flowers. Prayers can be left through letter box of the church or vicarage and we will attach to windows. If you would rather, you can email your prayer requests to Mo C, and she will ensure they make it to the window.



## **Joint Service with Christ Church to mark St Laurence's Day**

On Sunday 9th August our service will be at **Christ Church at 10am** when we will join with them to mark St Laurence's Day. This will be a chance for us to worship together. If you would like to bring a picnic to have after the service, while we cannot share food or drink, we can each our picnics in each others presence!

### **Congregational Giving**

It might be strange to talk about giving at a time when the church building is physically closed, but like all organisations and families the financial commitments of the church continue. Thank you to all who give by Standing Order, some others may like to consider electronic payments while we are unable to meet in church. If you need details please let us know and we can forward them to you. For those who have envelopes, you may like to put them through Vicarage door and she will pass them to Treasurer. Please do not put money through church door.

### **Daily Hope 24hour phonenumber**

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.

### **Keeping in Touch**

**You can phone** Mo C—020 7624 5306 or email her at [motherchristinenw6@gmail.com](mailto:motherchristinenw6@gmail.com)



**For our prayers** Helen, Yvonne, Rute, Patience, Ron, Evelyn, Linda, Richard, John, Josephine, John, Cecilia and Ruth and for those who have died recently including and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Dorothy Wright and Patricia Harris.

*As we return to church, we are now asked to wear a mask and to keep a safe distance. You will be asked to wash your hands, or use hand sanitiser as you arrive! The Priest will do the same! But we do ask that you maintain a safe distance and follow the guidance of the stewards. **We are all asked to wear facemasks!***

***Stay close to God and a safe distance from everyone else!***

### **Services this coming week starting 2nd August**

**Tuesday 4th Aug 8.30am** Morning Prayer at St Anne's (Max 3 people) - also on **Zoom**.

**Wednesday 5th Aug —7pm** Evening Prayer on **Zoom**.

**Thursday 6th Aug - 8.30am** Morning Prayer at St Anne's (Max 3 people) - also on **Zoom**.

**Sunday 9th August — 9 am** Facebook *-thought for the Day*

**10am Joint Service at Christ Church for St Laurence's Day**

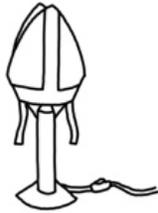
**5pm** Zoom Service

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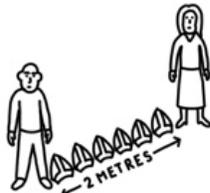
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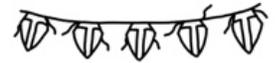
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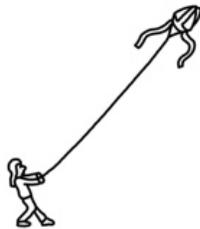
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