

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND IN OUR PRAYERS:

Vivienne Bell, Joyce Powell, Ann Bordess, Claire Froud, Nathaniel, Pete Henderson, Marion Neville, Harry Hindess, Ashley Powell, Colin Graham, Stephen Scott.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY BECOME ILL:

Maureen Palmer, Jennie Willis, Pat Watson, Mary Gunn, Julie Ann Parson, Elsie Smith, Jimmy Hunter, Eileen Smith, Florence Regan, Rev. John Scorer, Rachel Paterson, Val Judson, Evie Owens.

WE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Don Nevins.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH FALLS AT THIS TIME:

Denis Wright, Dorothy Smith, Kitty Dawson, Thomas Snell, Margaret Tweedy, James Meynell, Samuel Holbrook, John Wilson, Donald Timmis, James Ferry, Alan Burton.

CHURCH DIARY THIS WEEK

Tuesday 15 September

10.00am Holy Communion in church
7.00pm Quiz Night (online)

Wednesday 16 September

9.30am Trinity Tots

Thursday 17 September

7.30pm Choir Practice

Sunday 20 September – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

08.00am Holy Communion in church
10.00am Holy Communion in church and with choir

Bible Readings for next Sunday:

Reading Philippians 1.21-end

Gospel Reading Matthew 20.1-16

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 10.00am Service of the Word with hymns

TUESDAY 10.00am Holy Communion in church

COLLECT

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false
teaching, and give to your people
knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your
perpetual mercy;
and, because without you our human frailty
cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help
from all things hurtful, and lead us to all
things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

FIRST BIBLE READING

Romans 14.1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether

we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written,

‘As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.’

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18.21-35

Alleluia, Alleluia

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

All Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Peter came and said to him, ‘Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

‘For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.” And out of pity

for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, “Pay what you owe.” Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you.” But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, “You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?” And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ.

NOTICES THIS WEEK

Weekly Sheet

Could any items for the weekly sheet of 20th and 27th September (as much as possible) be received in the office by 9am on Thursday 17th September please? Anything received later can be announced in church if necessary. Thank you.

Memorial Book

We are still discovering errors and omissions in the memorial book. Over the next few weeks, could you please check that the names of any loved ones who you believe should be listed are in fact there? If not, please complete a new pink form from the back of church and leave it in the office. Thank you.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Study Nights are to be held on 6th, 13th, 20th October. **All** are welcome to attend these sessions for personal reflection and development and to come and support our candidates.

Harvest Festival Sunday 4th October 8am and 10am

Please join us as we celebrate harvest and give thanks for all God's gifts. This coincides with our regular Foodbank Sunday and your donations are gratefully received.

Harvest Supper

We are planning a Bring and Share Harvest Supper on Saturday 10th October at 7.00 pm. There will be music with our own Ceilidh band, dancing, games and a raffle. This will be a chance to enjoy the evening with other church family and friends. There will be no charge but donations to church funds can be made on the night. Tickets available shortly.

Holy Trinity Community Support Group Fund Raising Night 17th October at The Keelboat Community Pub

This should be a great evening. Tickets are £5 to include a hot beef dip. Please see Phyllis to get your ticket. Donations for Raffle and tombola prizes will be gratefully received. All the money raised will go to the Church funds.

The Sunday service will begin at 10am. If you would like to join us online, please email office.htcw@gmail.com to be included in our circulation list. If you would like to join the service by phone, please dial 0131 460 1196. The meeting ID number is 850 2953 3415 followed by # (hash). The password is 473130, followed by # (hash).

Quiz/Games Night – Tuesdays at 7pm

All are very welcome to join in, just click on the link in this month's email, or if you are joining by phone, please dial 0131 460 1196 the meeting ID is 870 6505 4582 followed by # (hash) and the password is 726138 followed by # (hash) and remember to press *6 to talk to us.