



The Parish of
Whitton
with Thurleston & Akenham

Sunday 13th September 2020 – Trinity 14



Readings, Hymns and Notices

Collect

Almighty God,

You called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Old Testament Reading

15 Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" 16 So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 17 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." 19 But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? 20 Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. 21 So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Epistle

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. 2 Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. 3 Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. 4 Who are you to pass judgment 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. 5 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. 6 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. 7 We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. 8 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. 9 For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. 10 Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. 11 For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." 12 So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hear the gospel of our Lord according to Matthew

Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?"

22 Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times

23 "Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24 As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. 25 Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

26 "At this the servant fell on his knees before him. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay back everything.' 27 The servant's master took pity on him, cancelled the debt and let him go.

28 "But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. 'Pay back what you owe me!' he demanded.

29 "His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.'

30 "But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. 31 When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

32 "Then the master called the servant in. 'You wicked servant,' he said, 'I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. 33 Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?' 34 In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. 35 "This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You O Christ

Prayers

Those for whom prayer has been asked:

For those on active service in places of danger.

The people infected by the Coronavirus

The Migrant and Refugee Crisis

- 3 Peggy and Ken Bean, Wendy Locke,
- 2 Paul Thacker, Jan Davies
- 1 Roger Adamson, Margaret Adams, , Naomi.
Rebecca Hayes, Bob McNess, Becki Cook
and those known privately to us.

Those who have died recently

Callum Doe,
John Jackson

Nancy Everard
Peggy Brown

We remember the anniversary of death of

David Threadgall 14 September 2011

Tom Devine 18 September 1998

Please remember to pray for the following friends of our Parish who are not able to worship with us at this time

Judith and Kevin Bryan, Ray Cobb, John Davies, Ellen Rogers,
Pat Todd, Betty Tuddenham, David and Lily Webb

HYMNS

; Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind;
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise,
In deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow thee,
Rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love,
Interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace,
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm,
O still small voice of calm

John Greenleaf Whittier Tune Repton

Such Love

Such love, pure as the whitest snow
Such love, weeps for the shame I know
Such love, paying the debt I owe
O Jesus, such love

Such love, stilling my restlessness
Such love, filling my emptiness
Such love, showing me holiness
O Jesus, such love

Such love, springs from eternity
Such love, streaming through history
Such love, fountain of life to me
O Jesus, such love

Graham Kendrick

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Praise my soul the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress.
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He Knows.
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy goes.

Angels help us to adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Praise with us the God of grace.

Henry Francis Lyte

Forthcoming Services

Sunday 6.30pm Eucharist at The Ascension
Wednesday 10.30 am Eucharist at The Ascension

Join us at 'Parish of Whitton' Facebook page
9.30am Sunday 'Morning Worship'
9.00pm each evening Compline

North Aisle Re-ordering

To date, 954 bricks have been bought and the brick fund now stands at £5282.60 including gift aid.
Our target is 1350 bricks or £6750, so financially we are 78% within reach of our target to enable us to cover the cost of the new floor.

You can make donations by texting "BUYBRICK 5" to 70470 to make a £5 donation (BUYBRICK 10, 15 or 20 will also work if you are able to be more generous!).
Texts will be charged at the standard rate by your service provider

Church Yard Working Party

**Thursday Evenings
from 6.30pm**

Bring your own tools



Church Open

**For Private Prayer
6.30 to 8.00pm**

Readings

for Sunday September 20th

Jonah 3.10 to 4-11;
Philippians 1. 21-30
Matthew 20. 1-16

THANK YOU

To all our Church Family,

To simply say THANK YOU seems so insignificant for all that has been conveyed to me over the past two weekends.

I have been truly blessed with many cards, gifts, prayers, messages, support, love, and surprises. The generosity of our church family in the gift of my stole and cheque was totally overwhelming.

There were just so many highlights; the presentation of my beautiful stole surrounded by my wonderful family to the laying on of hands by Bishop Martin and knowing that many were joining me virtually are memories which will dwell in my heart for evermore.

To single out individuals to give thanks to is difficult but I do feel that a special THANK YOU is due to Rob and the choir for their superb music/singing on both Sundays and also to Kevin for his technical assistance. The two Sunday services to which I was completely unaware of were just the icing on the cake.

And last but not least to Mary. Mary re-kindled my call to Ordination one Saturday morning some 15 months ago and during that time she has guided me through some challenging tutorials, given explanation to a roller coaster of emotions, supported me through the days when I simply couldn't go any further, mopped up my tears of frustration over delayed ordination dates and all this wrapped in love and prayer for me in addition to her busy ministerial role in the parish.

It has simply been wonderful to be wrapped in God's unconditional love, being surrounded, and engulfed by the Holy Spirit was one of those moments that experience of can only explain. I feel totally blessed.

So, with many thanks to each and every one of you once again,
God Bless,

Maureen

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