

First Reading

Read by Robert Jones

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,² To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven.

You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

. This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

51 The Lord will come and not be slow

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia,, **Alleluia, Alleluia.**

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and
with all your soul,

Alleluia, **alleluia, alleluia**

Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Luke

Glory to You O Lord

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus.²⁶ 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ²⁶He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' ²⁷He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' ²⁸And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' ³⁰Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii,³⁶ gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' ³⁷He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

The Prayers

The prayers are led by Doreen Powell

Those for whom prayer has been asked:

For those on active service in places of danger.

Dick and Caroline Seed our CMS Missionaries

The Migrant and Refugee Crisis

Visitors to The Top Up Shop and Family First

Baby Zac who is being baptised here today. That he will be guided as he grows to know the love of Jesus

3 Linda Best, Rosie & John Gray, Gavin, Eileen,
Becki Cook, Celia, Kevin Kelly

2 Sonia Steggall,, Sam, Debbie Shaves, Jayne Versey,
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Those who have died recently

Malcolm Ablit

Graham Blake (Jim)

Pam Flemming

We remember the anniversary of death of

Mike Ardem July 13 2016

Revd Bruce Hines July 13 1984

Jack Keeble July 14 2006

Felicitas Hine July 17 2004

Anni Byford July 19 2012

Offertory Hymn

664 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Communion Hymns

654 Hark my soul, it is the Lord

466 The love of God comes close

Post Communion Prayer:

Eternal God,

comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recessional Hymn

828 Ye that know the Lord is gracious

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

Vera Emeny, Rita Appleton