

**First Reading**  
Read by Lucy Girling

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans*

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup> No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup> What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup> But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, <sup>18</sup> and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup> I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. <sup>20</sup> When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup> So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Hymn**

**779** Sing, my soul, when hope is sleeping

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

Whoever receives you, receives me and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.

Alleluia, **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

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

**Glory to You O Lord**

<sup>40</sup> 'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup> Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; <sup>42</sup> and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you O Christ**

**The Prayers**

The prayers are led by Bridget Kemp

**Those for who prayers have been asked:**

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For those on active service in places of danger

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Dick and Caroline Seed our CMS Missionaries

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The Migrant and Refugee Crisis

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Visitors to the Top Up Shop and Family First

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3. Jats Gosal, Julie Lawrence, Neil Moore, Shirley.
2. Linda Best, Eileen, Becki and Denis Cook, Tanya, Louise.
1. Debbie Shaves, Jayne Versey, John Pickering, Patricia Perry, Sheila B.

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**Those who have died recently**

Sheila Page  
Phyl Fisk  
Mary Flack  
Vivian Lewis

**We remember the anniversary of death of**

June Cullingford June 28 2014  
Norah Aylett July 1 2005  
Kay Lukaszuk Jul 3rd 2016

**Offertory hymn:**

**586** All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine

**Communion Hymns**

**132** O for a heart to praise my God

**Communion Anthem**

Act Justly

**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:**

**487** Christ is the one who calls

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, Malcolm Starsmoore,  
Jeanette Budinger,