First Reading

Read by

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians

II In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; 14 this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. 15 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. 17 I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, 18 so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. 22 And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymns for Today

- **296** For all the saints who from their labours rest. Omit verses 3 and 6
- 402 God we praise you.
- **297** For all the Saints who showed your love
- **556** Alleluia, Alleluia Raise the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

'Ask and you will receive,' says the Lord, 'so that your joy may be complete.'".

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

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

Glory to You O Lord

- ²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:
- 'Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

- ²¹ 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- 'Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

- ²² 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you^[a] on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.
- ²⁴ 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
- ²⁵ Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.
- 'Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

- ²⁶ Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.
- ²⁷ 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

The Prayers

The prayers are led by

Those for who prayers have been asked:

For those on active service in places of danger

Dick and Caroline Seed our CMS Missionaries

The Migrant and Refuge Crisis

Visitors to the Top Up Shop and Family First

- 3. Sonia Steggall, Sam, Debbie Shaves, Jayne Versey,
- 2. Ross Champkin, Sheila Page, Russell.
- Linda Best, Rosie and John Gray, Gavin, Eileen, Becki Cook, Tanya, Jeanette Budinger, Roy Stephenson, Joan Moon, Sue Doe.

Those who have died recently

Brian Lamb Kevin Kelly

We remember the anniversary of death of

Ruth Fellingham 3 November 1993 Anthony Bryan 7 November 2017 Ethel Marjoram 8 November 1970 Margaret Steward 8 November 2001

Post Communion Prayer:

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:

may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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. Veronica Clarke.