

First Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians
Read by Charmian Keeble

⁴ ¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

800 The Lord's my shepherd

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. .

Alleluia, **Alleluia, Alleluia,**

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

22 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not

worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ 'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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

The Prayers

The prayers are led by Robert Marjoram

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 Refugee Crisis

Visitors to the Top Up Shop and Family First

The People of Nepal and the rescue teams

The family and friends of little Noah Woods.

3. Julie Lawrence, Shirley.
2. Linda Best, Eileen, Becki and Denis Cook, Louise.
1. Debbie Shaves, Jayne Versey, John Pickering.,
Patricia Perry, Clesfield Burke, Gill Barton.

Those who have died recently

Peter Hill
Robena Westbury
Hazel Girling

We remember the anniversary of death of

Ken (Biff) Byford 13 October 2020
Joseph Richardson 14 October 2016
Linda Harman 16 October 2020

Offertory Hymn

683 Jerusalem the Golden

Communion Hymn

466 The love of God comes close

Communion Anthem

Shalom, shalom, peace to his people

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood
of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you, not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recessional Hymn

827 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

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,