

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

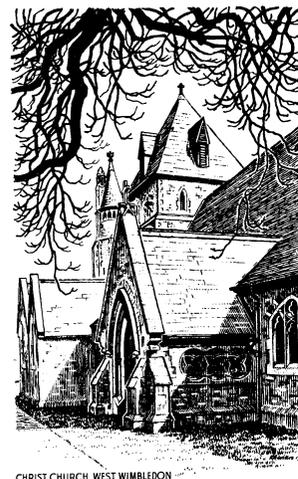
Galatians 5.1, 13–25

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.

And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another Jesus said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Luke 9.51–62



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SUNDAY 26th JUNE 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF TRINITY



Collect

Faithful Creator,
whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living Word,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Post Communion

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us
at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SUNDAY 26 JUNE

READINGS

Galatians 5.1, 13–25; Luke 9.51–62

8am Said Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist with Junior Church

HYMNS: 390, 410, 683, 290

Green / World Prayer

Prayer of St. Francis

Dear Mother earth,
who day by day
unfolds rich blessing on our way,
O Praise God! Alleluia!
The fruits and flowers that verdant grow,
Let them his praise abundant show.
O praise God, O praise God,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Amen.

SUNDAY 26 JUNE

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

READINGS

Genesis 27.1-40; Mark 6.1-6

HYMNS: 373, 238, 2

Psalm 60

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need: Simon Kimber.

Those who have died: Stewart Sanson

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Marjorie Hannaford (2019)

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 29 June

9.15-11.15am Toddler Group in the Hall

10am—12noon Church open for quiet prayer

Thursday 30 June

3pm Together on Thursday Tea in the Hall

SUNDAY 3 JULY – TRINITY 3

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Celebrate Together

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

TOGETHER ON THURSDAY TEA will be held **THIS THURSDAY 30 JUNE at 3pm in the Hall.**

All are warmly welcome. It would be helpful if you could sign the list on the table if you are planning to attend—and especially if you need a lift.

STEWART SANSON died peacefully recently after an illness. The funeral will take place at North Hertfordshire Memorial Park Crematorium, Bedford Road, Holwell, Hitchin, Hertfordshire SG5 3RT on **THURSDAY 30 JUNE at 10am.** Email the parish office for details of the live streaming link and/or the reception afterwards. All are welcome.

THE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS were much enjoyed. Thank you particularly to Tish and the Social Committee and other helpers who arranged a splendid lunch—and thank you to everyone who contributed such wonderful food

VOLUNTEER REQUEST: Please could we have a volunteer to wash the hall tea towels and hand towels once a month? Please contact Stefan Bown if you could do this.

CHURCHES COUNT ON NATURE Thank you to all the children, parents and group leaders who helped with this national survey of species in church grounds and burial grounds. We had fun counting plants, insects and birds and submitted 123 species to the website. This is more than double compared to last year – with particular thanks to our resident plant experts Pat Spencer, Karen Chinn and Liz Errington. Our records will eventually be added to the National Biodiversity Network Atlas. Well done everyone! Our thanks to Lucy for organising such a successful morning!

CREATIONTIDE DISPLAY 2022 PLANET EARTH: Celebrating all God's Creation. Advance notice of our theme for this year. Once again, we will celebrate Creationtide at Christ Church with a display of pictures, photographs, paintings and objects from church members. Please start collecting, photographing and creating now for this year's display. Contributions will be collected at church from July and by Sunday 28th August at the latest. If it's difficult for you to print photos, you can email them to Lucy Christie direct or via the parish office.

WEDNESDAY OPENING OF THE CHURCH has been appreciated by those who have taken the opportunity to drop in to sit quietly and pray since this began during lockdown in April 2020. However this arrangement will have to finish for the summer and so the final day that the church will be open will be on **WEDNESDAY 13 JULY.** It may be possible to reinstate this later in the year.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - The church collection raised £1055, an increase on last year. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously.



CHRISTIAN CARE needs YOU! We want to grow as a charity to be ready to meet the needs of families struggling with hardships in our community particularly in 2022. We can offer you exciting and rewarding volunteering opportunities which can really make a difference in the lives of children and families: *managing a team of volunteers; planning activities for disadvantaged children; befriending a family; helping in our office; delivering by car packs of food, or baby items; driving the van or helping to make furniture deliveries.* To discover more, go to the website:

<https://www.christiancaremerton.org.uk/volunteering>

Look at the poster on the church noticeboard, or speak to Pat Spencer.

WE PRAY for the family now living in the flat after their arrival in the UK on June 22. The flat looks wonderful—thank you so much to everyone who has worked so hard on this project and for all the generous donations received.

THE JUNE EDITION OF THE BRIDGE—the Diocese of Southwark monthly publication—is now available to read and download: southwark.anglican.org/thebridge

THE SEASON OF LAY MINISTRIES is launched by the Diocese of Southwark today. There are leaflets available on the table at the back of the church or on the Diocesan website: southwark.anglican.org/lay-ministries



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