

The Church of St Francis



The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity 10th August 2021



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and the last will be first.'***

NEW WAYS OF WORSHIPPING TOGETHER SAFELY

Even though restrictions have been lifted we are mindful that many people are still feeling vulnerable in terms of the transmission of coronavirus. Therefore, in support of those who feel they would like to continue wearing a face covering whilst indoors, we respectfully ask, if you are able to do so, that you consider wearing a face covering throughout the service.

We will be inviting you to stand for the Gospel and the Creed and, whilst remaining seated, to sing along to the hymns. Please feel free to participate in whatever way feels comfortable for you.

When we come to receive Holy Communion we will not be sharing the common chalice and so Holy Communion will continue to be shared in one kind only by the receiving of the Bread of Heaven at the chancel step. Please wait in your seat until the welcomer indicates it is your turn to go forward. Once you have received the bread in your hand, please return to your seat to consume.



If you require a gluten free wafer please ask your welcomer who will advise the clergy

SERVICES THROUGH THE WEEK - ALL ARE WELCOME!

Mon:	Morning Prayer 9am	Thurs:	Morning Prayer 9am
			Evening Prayer 5pm
Tues:	Morning Prayer 9am	Sun:	Celebrating Together 10.30
	Evening Prayer 5pm		(Holy Communion) am
Weds:	Morning Prayer 9am		
	BCP Eucharist 11.30am		
	Evening Prayer 5pm		

FOR OUR PRAYERS

We pray for those who are in acute need of prayer at this time: Bishop Alan; Audrey; Ivan and Peter; Sheila; Megan; Riley & his mum and family; David & Grace.

We continue to pray for Woodside House Care Home, Hebron House and all those in our Church, friends and family who are managing long term health issues including: Gayle; Linda R; Maegan; Carson; Tom; Rosemary; David & Cynthia; John and Jane; Rob, Rosie and Pete; Shirley.

We pray for all who mourn the loss of a loved one or a friend. At this time we remember Stan Hubbard; Hilda Sayer.

**The Church of St Francis
Heartsease**



**Heavenly Father
We ask your blessing upon us.
Hold the Heartsease Community,
and all the world,
in your arms of love.
Be with us.
Give us your strength,
peace, and healing grace.
Watch over us,
protect us from harm;
and keep in safety
all those who care for the sick
and attend to our needs,
in Jesus name we pray.
Amen**

COLLECT FOR TRINITY 19

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

READINGS FOR TRINITY 19

AMOS 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
Therefore, because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.
Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

PSALM 90: 12 - END

12 So teach us to number our days ♦
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**13 Turn again, O Lord; how long will you delay? ♦
Have compassion on your servants.**

14 Satisfy us with your loving-kindness in the morning, ♦
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

**15 Give us gladness for the days you have afflicted us, ♦
and for the years in which we have seen adversity.**

16 Show your servants your works, ♦
and let your glory be over their children.

**17 May the gracious favour of the Lord our God be upon us; ♦
prosper our handiwork; O prosper the work of our hands.**

HEBREWS 4:12-END

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

MARK 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.'

Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.'

When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.'

They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.' Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.'

Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life.

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WHAT'S NEW @ ST FRANCIS?

Come to our Fix Ya Bike Cafe

Tuesday evenings

6.30 – 8.30pm

**A free bicycle workshop
with a cafe at**

**Nextdoor@St Francis
Church on Rider Haggard
Road**

**where you can get your bike
fixed by Awesome Sean
our expert mechanic, or fix
it yourself**

**Under sixteens must be
accompanied by an adult**

All are welcome to our Led Bike Rides

Saturdays

10am – 12pm

**Come on a led social ride in
and around the Heartsease
area, on quiet roads and
cycle paths starting from**

**Nextdoor@St Francis
Church on Rider Haggard
Road**

**There will be a mid-ride
break & chance to have a
chat**

WHAT'S ON @ ST FRANCIS

**LET IT GROW: Every Wednesday 9am – 11.30am.
Weeding, Sowing, Planting & Tea and Cake Break.
LOTS OF FRESH VEG TO BE PICKED!**

Come to our

CRAFT FAIR Table Top Sale & more!

**Sat 23rd Oct 2021 1130 - 3.30
FREE ENTRY!**

Crafts / Jewellery / Cards / Christmas Gifts / Baby Gifts /
Trade Craft / Antiques / Beauty / Face Painting / Art /
Walk the Labyrinth / Farm Share / Money Advice Project /
Childrens Play area / Café / Raffle / Table Top Sale & much
more!

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