

**The Church of St Francis  
WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR  
THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
20<sup>th</sup> June 2021**



**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**

**FOR OUR PRAYERS**

We pray for those who are in need of prayer at this time: Janet M; Terri; Maegan; Matthew; Carson W; Megan; Tom; Riley & his mum and family; Jeanette, David & Grace; Paula.

We continue to pray for Woodside House Care Home and all those in our Church, friends and family who are managing long term health issues including: Rosemary; David & Cynthia; Pete and Rosie; Doreen; Sheila; John and Jane; Shirley.

We pray for all who mourn the loss of a loved one or a friend and remember also those who have died in recent days, among them: Marion Holmes.

**COLLECTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY  
AFTER TRINITY**

**COLLECTS**

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and have sent the Spirit of your Son  
into our hearts whereby we call you Father:  
give us grace to dedicate our freedom  
to your service, that we  
and all creation may be brought  
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;

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

God our saviour,  
look on this wounded world  
in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promises of peace  
won for us by your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

O God,  
whose beauty is beyond our imagining  
and whose power we cannot comprehend:  
show us your glory  
as far as we can grasp it,  
and shield us from knowing  
more than we can bear  
until we may look upon you without fear;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

**READINGS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY  
AFTER TRINITY**

**JOB 38:1-11**

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: 'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements — surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

'Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb?—

when I made the clouds its garment,

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars

and doors, and said, "Thus far shall you

come, and no farther, and here shall your

proud waves be stopped"?

## PSALM 107: 1 – 3, 23 - 32

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, ♦ for his steadfast love endures for ever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let the redeemed of the Lord say this, ♦ those he redeemed from the hand of the enemy,**

<sup>3</sup> And gathered out of the lands from the east and from the west, ♦ from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup> **Those who go down to the sea in ships ♦ and ply their trade in great waters,**

<sup>24</sup> These have seen the works of the Lord ♦ and his wonders in the deep.

<sup>25</sup> **For at his word the stormy wind arose ♦ and lifted up the waves of the sea.**

<sup>26</sup> They were carried up to the heavens and down again to the deep; ♦ their soul melted away in their peril.

<sup>27</sup> **They reeled and staggered like a drunkard ♦ and were at their wits' end.**

<sup>28</sup> Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, ♦ and he brought them out of their distress.

<sup>29</sup> **He made the storm be still ♦ and the waves of the sea were calmed.**

<sup>30</sup> Then were they glad because they were at rest, ♦ and he brought them to the haven they desired.

<sup>31</sup> **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his goodness ♦ and the wonders he does for his children.**

<sup>32</sup> Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people ♦ and praise him in the council of the elders.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now,  
and shall be for ever. Amen**

## 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

‘At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.’

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!

We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute.

We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you.

There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return — I speak as to children — open wide your hearts also.

## MARK 4:35 - 41

On that day, when evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Let us go across to the other side.’

And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was.

Other boats were with him.

A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, ‘Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?’

He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!’

Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.

He said to them, ‘Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?’ And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?’

## FORTHCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

Mon: Morning Prayer – 9am

Tues: Morning Prayer – 9am  
Evening Prayer – 5pm

Weds: Morning Prayer – 9am  
BCP Holy Communion – 11.30am  
Evening Prayer - 5pm

Thurs: Morning Prayer – 9am  
Evening Prayer – 5pm

Sun: Celebrating Together – 10.30am  
[Holy Communion]

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST FRANCIS



### LET IT GROW

Although we were able to give away lots of plants at our Eco Church 'World Environment Day' event last week, there are still some there for the taking. Please help yourself – you'll find them behind the church.

### WEDNESDAYS ARE 'LET IT GROW & FARMSHARE DAYS!

**9am – 11.30am**

1. Pop in, have a look, say hello.
2. Plant, sow and weed.
3. HARVEST! Yes, there are some salad leaves already ready to eat.

And if anyone would like to do some watering in the week, it would be good to know.

Thanks - Jim

### ST FRANCIS PCC

The PCC will be meeting on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm.

If you have any thoughts or issues you would like to bring to the attention of the meeting for consideration or discussion please speak to any member of the PCC, a churchwarden or the Vicar

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