

This week, from our electoral rolls we are praying for Diana Sutherland, Anne Seymour, Wilf Talbot.

Service for Sunday 29th November

10.30 Zoom, Service of the Word: Worship Team

Wednesday 10:30 – via Zoom, Morning Prayer.

Holy Communion service for Sunday, 22nd November 2020, at 10:30 via Zoom

1. Welcome and Greeting

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

2. Psalm 95, verses 1-7

1 O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.

2 **Let us come into his presence with
thanksgiving
and be glad in him with psalms.**

3 For the Lord is a great God
and a great king above all gods.

4 **In his hand are the depths of the earth
and the heights of the mountains are his also.**

5 The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.

6 **Come, let us worship and bow down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

7 **For he is our God;
we are the people of his pasture and the
sheep of his hand.**

3. Hymn – Let all the world in every corner sing.

4. Call to Penitence

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

(Silence)

Friend of sinners,
you bring hope in our despair.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Healer of the sick,
you give strength in our weakness.
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy**

Destroyer of evil,
you bring life in our dying.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

5. Prayer for Today

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,

whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

6. Reading: Ezekiel chapter 34, verses 11-16, 20-24

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

7. Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.
Peace on earth and glory in the highest heaven.

Alleluia.

8. Gospel Reading: Matthew chapter 25, verse 31- end

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory.

All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats,

and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;

for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you

welcomed me,

I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?"

And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?"

And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels;

for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink,

I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me."

Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?"

Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

9. Reflection

10. Hymn – Brother, sister let me serve you.

11. Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us
with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

12. Prayers of Intercession

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

13. Sharing of the Peace

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

14. Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, to give you thanks,
eternal God, for you have anointed Christ the Lord,
to be the king of all creation.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,
that he may bring before you

a kingdom of truth and life,

a kingdom of holiness and grace,

a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

And so with all the heavenly host,

we join in their unending hymn of praise

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest!**

We bless you, Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord;

and as we obey his command, send your Spirit,

that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the
body and blood of your Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his disciples
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in
remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he
praised you, gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for
all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord, help us to work together for that day when your
kingdom comes

and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,

gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the
saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honour and glory are yours,

loving Father,

for ever and ever. **Amen.**

15. The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom
as our Saviour taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.**

Your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

16. Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes

17. The Invitation

God's holy gifts for God's holy people
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

18. Post Communion Prayer

**Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be richly rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

19. Hymn – King of Kings, majesty

20. The Blessing

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,
that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing...
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

In the name of Christ. Amen!

Wednesday Morning Prayer

Despite the lockdown the midweek Morning Prayer service continues to be held at 10.30 every Wednesday. You can join the service over Zoom and can access it via the same access link as for the Sunday Service: <https://zoom.us/j/7611342248?pwd=UmxRUHBkcEpnSjAwVmXLdDZaaHcxZz09>



MU Advent Service **Wednesday 2nd December** at 10.30am will take the form of Morning Prayer this year and will be on Zoom. Full joining instructions and the special order of service will be sent out next week. Everyone is most welcome to join us for this service. *Ann Capell*

Stuck for Christmas presents?

I have brought out two books in recent months. *"Death in the Severn"* is a joint venture with 56 Year 5 pupils at Burlish Park Primary School and is a novel set in this area in 1014. It's suitable for ages 10-110, explores the Christian faith in a gentle way and costs £7.99. The other book is a 2nd edition of *"Walking Bewdley's History"* - updated and expanded but still only £6.50. Contact me on 400691. Or come to ...

Christmas Fair

Saturday 5th December

at **Wribbenhall Social Club** (behind the Parish Room), 11am till 3pm. A safe walk-through system for this table top sale has been devised. *Heather Flack*

November Covid lockdown

We're sure you will all be aware that all Churches have been instructed to suspend congregational worship for the next 4 weeks. Faith leaders across the country are lobbying Government to ease these restrictions, but for the moment all worship takes place via Zoom.

Wednesday Morning Prayer and Sunday Services will

continue to be available via Zoom starting at 10:30 and using the usual sign-on link.

We will be continuing to monitor the situation and will communicate with you as soon as we are able to join together again for worship.

St. Anne's open for prayer and foodbank donations

St. Anne's will, despite the lockdown, continue to open for private prayer on Wednesdays through to Saturdays every week from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Foodbank donations can also be dropped off during those times.



Advent and Christmas

Advent is fast approaching. I have several versions of card Advent calendars and a few chocolate ones, Real Advent Calendar and Divine. They all tell the Christmas story.

I will happily deliver any of the bargains listed below and any other requests you may have, provided goods are still in stock either with me or at Traidcraft HQ. Delivery to me only takes a few days.

If you're thinking of doing Christmas shopping with Traidcraft please give me your orders in good time – quite a few items are selling out.

Bargains!!

reduced price food/drinks

(close to/just past best before date)

1 Machu Pichu ground coffee: £3.19 now **£1.60** (15/12)

8 Fair Break choc chip cookies: £1.20 now **60p** (9/12)

4 Fruit and Oat Cookies: 1.90 now **95p** (15/12)

3 Brazil Nuts: £3.55 now **£1.80** (13/11/20)

1 fudge: £1.55 now **80p** (10/20)

6 small Divine orange /milk chocolate: £1 now **50p** (12/20)

Many thanks. Please contact Elaine on 400617 or barboursbewdley@btopenworld if you would like to buy any of these offers and of course any other goods at full price.

The future for St. Anne's

Don't forget - our internal consultation on possible changes to St. Anne's hasn't stopped. We are still keen to get your views. If you haven't sent your ideas or if you've had any further thoughts please speak to or email John or Paul (St. Anne's Churchwardens: uncillys@gmail.com or paul.warnett@gmail.com).

If you are aware of anyone who might not be aware of this consultation exercise but might want to make their views known please encourage them. If you have any views which you would like to express anonymously you can send them in confidence c/o Churchwardens, Pleasant Harbour House, Bewdley, DY12 1AD

The importance of routine and rituals

Got 2 minutes and 6 seconds to spare? John Fitzmaurice (Director of Ordinands and Vocation for Worcester Diocese) reflects on the second national lockdown and the importance of routine and rituals in our lives.

<https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/video/john-fitzmaurice-18-november-2020.php>

Apples galore!

Our ancient apple tree – Howgate Wonder, good for cooking – has had a bumper year and we wish to share the bounty. Experience tells us that the apples don't store well so they need to be used in the next few weeks. I have been making apple chutney and am filling the freezer with pie

and crumble filling but there are lots left.

If anyone would like some apples, please let me know and we can arrange a socially distanced transfer.

Gill Warnett 403745 gillwarnett@gmail.com

Wyre Forest Refugee Support People in Motion

No more clothes for refugees donations until after the lockdown. Thank you.

Government calls for individuals to respond to Faith Engagement Review

The Government has launched an independent review into how it engages with faith communities. The Bishop of London is encouraging us all to respond. Details of what is being planned and how to respond to the review can be found via the link here:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/news-and-statements/government-calls-individuals-respond-faith-engagement-review>

Cards for Good Causes 2020

This year's shop will be open again **after 4-week lockdown** in the undercroft of St. George's Hall until **19th December**, Monday to Saturday 10am to 4pm, .

We have all the normal Covid precautions in place and ask customers to wear a mask. Numbers entering the shop will be controlled. It is only possible to access and leave the shop via the Load Street entrance to the right of the George Hotel. Access to the coffee shop from the CFGC shop is not possible.

Thanks to all those from the Parish and the wider community who have again agreed to act as volunteer staff.

We have the normal wonderful range of cards for a multiplicity of charities along with Christmas gifts, wrapping paper, etc.



*Please contact Sheila Limbrick on
01299 400704 if you have any
questions.*

**Network email contributions by 6.00pm latest
Wednesday to: peter.roberts278@btinternet.com
Please copy to: paul.warnett@gmail.com**