

SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER, TRINITY 17

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

We welcome Canon James Shakespeare, Rural Dean, Cambridge South Deanery, who will be leading our service.

10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

We welcome The Revd John Summers, Trinity Chaplain, who will be leading our service.

6pm Evensong is available at St Mark's Newnham

COLLECT

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
And banish our anxieties
With the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS (in pew bibles)

NT 2 Timothy 2. 8-15 (p. 227-228)
GOSPEL Luke 17. 11-19 (p.86)

NEXT WEEK:

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10am Experience & Explore

Our Local Team will be leading our service.

CONTACTS

CHURCH WEBSITE www.trumpington.church

The church is now in Vacancy, please refer any queries to the Churchwardens and, during office hours, to Emma.

CHURCHWARDENS

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CHURCH OFFICE – OPENING TIMES

9am-1pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
Emma's email address is: admin@trumpington.church

Organist – Geoff Symon organist@trumpington.church
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If you want to put a note in the pewsheets, please contact Emma in the office, no later than 9am Wednesday if the note is intended for the forthcoming Sunday. Thank you.

NOTICES

Please see the North Chapel notice board for What's On.

HARVEST

The large basket of food was gratefully received by the Trumpington Fairbite Food Club and as an update, we raised £395 to donate to the *Ripple Effect* charity.

**WE BELIEVE – EXPLORING THE NICENE CREED
TUESDAYS ON ZOOM**

You are invited to join discussions celebrating the 1,700th anniversary of this Creed. Discussion on Zoom will begin at 7pm for 40 minutes. Course booklets available.
Please contact Ken Fletcher
01223 841783 or kenfcam@gmail.com

**CHURCHYARD WORKING DAY
SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER 9am to 3pm**

In preparation for the day and to work towards some Eco Church targets, we are asking for donations of:

- daffodil bulbs
- wild flowers
- bird feeders
- bird baths, or other water-holding features.

All are welcome, come and join us! There will be lots of planting and preparation for next spring. A box by the west door under the tower is available for donations – or speak to Stephen Reynolds.

BIBLE STUDY

Please contact one of the Churchwardens if you would like to join a group (Tuesday evening online or alternate Wednesday evenings in person) and they will put you in touch with the group leader.

GIVING

If you would like to make a donation in support of the life and ministry of our church, you can:

- Leave a cash donation in the plate provided
- Make a contactless donation using the GoodBox
- Use a yellow envelope. If you pay tax we can claim the Gift Aid, but only if you fill out your details.
- Please speak to Edmund about making a regular electronic gift and the best way to do this.
Everything helps – thank you!

BOOK GROUP

The Book Group is reading *The Monk* by Tim Sullivan, to discuss at the next meeting on Thursday 13 November.

Nothing is known about Brother Dominic's past, which makes investigating difficult. How can DS George Cross unpick a crime when he doesn't know anything about the victim? And why would someone want to harm a monk?

Discovering who Brother Dominic once was only makes the picture more puzzling. He was a much-loved and respected friend, brother, son – he had no enemies. Or, at least, none that are obvious. But looking into his past reveals that he was a very wealthy man, that he sacrificed it all for his faith. For a man who has nothing, it seems strange that greed could be the motive for his murder. But greed is a sin after all.....

All welcome – no invitation needed! For more information please email bookgroup@trumpington.church

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL, 13 & 14 DECEMBER

Would you like to be involved this year and join a small team to help organise different elements: crafts, refreshments, possible concerts, and other activity ideas. Please email Sheila Betts: warden@trumpington.church

Connecting faith and daily life

Ordinary miracles

Gillian Cooper *reflects on* 2 Kings 5:1-3. 7-15c
and Luke 17:11-19

“Your faith has made you well,” says Jesus to the grateful leper. It is not the faith shown in saying thank you that has contributed to his healing. It is the asking: “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” And then it is the willingness to follow instructions. When there is no instant miracle, how tempting to shrug one’s shoulders and give up. But the lepers do as they are told, and it is not until they’re walking along the road to see the priests that their miracle happens.

One of our choices for the Old Testament reading today tells the story of Naaman the Syrian commander, another leper. A proud and important man, he wants spectacular magic, not secondhand advice to take a bath in the river. He has to learn that God’s healing miracles can sometimes look quite ordinary.

The miracle of healing comes to us in many human ways: through the skills of doctors and the research of scientists; through the support of those who love us; through time and patience; through taking our pills and following instructions. And yet, like Naaman and the leper healed by Jesus, we return time and again to give thanks to the God, who is the ultimate source of all healing and wholeness. ☺



Healing God, we praise you for the daily miracles that restore us to wholeness. Give us thankful hearts, and help us to look in faith for that day when all the world’s hurts will be healed in your kingdom. Amen.

How to keep faith in a wobbling world

Part 6 – embrace the word of God

by Caroline Hodgson

In a wobbling world there’s great wisdom and solace to be found in the Bible. For me this comes, at least in part, from the knowledge that people have always suffered, but that they have always found joy, love and comfort in connecting with God. There are some truly wonderful words, which can be used in prayer and meditation, such as those in Isaiah (41:10): “Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your

God; I will strengthen you, I will help you.”

It can be all too easy to chuck a Bible quote at a problem and think it will make everything right. As with everything in life and faith, going through the motions simply won’t do. God meets us in word when we’re prepared to approach God. A little regular time spent engaging with scripture, reading (or listening to) passages, revisiting familiar words and praying for a fresh perspective on them, can be deeply grounding. ☺

Finding God on the smallholding

by Jeni Parsons

Although this is a tiny farm where we raise animals, vegetables and fruit to feed ourselves it has also become a place where people come to find space to rest and re-orientate themselves. It’s been our hope that we can share what we grow and the delight that living closer to the rest of creation can provide. We learned that such a journey can’t be rushed and there are

no shortcuts. My elderly parents had a cabin built here to live in their old age. Their deaths in their nineties made it possible for there to be a place for others to stay, where before there was just a caravan. The search in people for wisdom and health, for depth and richness of living, is a place where God meets them and us too. It doesn’t have to involve sheep and Welsh mud, it can happen anywhere, but it does happen here with God and the smallholding. ☺

“Mercy... is the most profound form of justice. It opens the door to heaven itself, because mercy is love’s second name.”

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