

Pew Sheet for 14th June 2026

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Sunday 14th June

9.30am Holy Communion at Eydon

10.00am Morning Prayer at Boddington

11.00am Common Worship Communion at Aston le Walls

11.00am Café Church at Byfield

Tuesday 16th June

2-2.45pm Little Angels at Byfield

Wednesday 17th June

9.45am Holy Communion at Byfield

11.15am Prayer Group at Woodford Halse

Thursday 18th June

6-7.30pm Rising Stars at Byfield

Saturday 20th June

1pm Wedding of Louie and Anna at Eydon

5-7pm Youth Church at Woodford Halse

Sunday 21st June

9.30am BCP Communion at Aston le Walls

10.00am Family Service at Eydon

11.00am Holy Communion at Woodford Halse

6pm Evening Prayer at Boddington

Wednesday 24th June

9.45am Morning Prayer at Byfield

11.15am Prayer Group Woodford Halse

Sunday 28th June

9.30am BCP Communion at Byfield

11.00am Holy Communion at Aston Le Walls

**Advance notice.

James and I will be inviting anyone from the benefice to come to a BBQ at the Rectory on Sunday 12th July. Please look out for further information nearer to the time. Clare

I sometimes wonder if Jesus ever felt overwhelmed by the endless demands on his time, however many people he spoke to about the good news of God's love and God's kingdom, however many people he healed the gospels tell us that Jesus still seemed to be permanently surrounded by huge crowds wanting to hear his teaching or to experience his healing and forgiveness. In our gospel reading this week Jesus seeing the huge crowds calls his disciples to him and sends them out to proclaim the good news that Jesus longed to share and to do the kinds of things that Jesus himself did, things that showed God's love for all people and demonstrated that God's kingdom was nearby.

In the life of faith it is easy to think that all we have to do is show up occasionally. It is easy to think that someone else will be there to say the words that allow faith to deepen and to assume that someone else will be there to do the things that show God's kingdom is here on earth. Living the life of faith, however, means that, like the disciples, we are all asked to go out into our communities and share the good news of God's love for all people and we are all asked to do the kinds of things that show that God's kingdom is nearby. We may think that our actions are too small and insignificant to make any difference but I think that there are many small ways of living each day in our communities that show God's love for the people around us, and I think that there are many small ways that each one of us can help to strengthen and maintain our worship.

This week why not consider if there are any actions you could take to share the good news of God's love for all people or what you could do to help build God's kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven.

Every blessing

Clare

Sunday

14 June 2026

Second Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING Exodus 19:2-8a

A reading from the book of Exodus.

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do."

Or **Genesis 18:1-5 [21:1-7]**

PSALM Psalm 100

R *The Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting.*

O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know that the Lord is God; it is he that has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. **R**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and bless his name. For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting, and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **R**

SECOND READING Romans 5:1-8

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

GOSPEL

(Short or long reading)

Matthew 9:35 – 10:8 [9:23]

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

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed

him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town. See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."]

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.



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