



Connection

Sunday 8th August 2021
Tenth Sunday after Trinity



Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
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

Ephesians 4: 25 – 5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6: 35, 41-51

Jesus said to the crowd, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.' Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by

the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Reflection

The sermon this week is from David Ryan, Chaplain at the Alexandra Hospital, Redditch.



Requests for Prayers

We pray for those who have suffered in unexpected and immeasurable ways during the course of the pandemic. We pray for strength and hope as we look towards a brighter future.

We pray for all those who are sick everywhere and for those who have asked for our prayers and for their carers: Roy and Margaret Putnam, Brian Bolam, Wendy Dufty, Yvonne

Seward, Laurence Alexander, Ros and Rob.

We continue to pray for: Percy and Sharon Blizzard, Jackie Pickford, Clive Hunt.

We pray for those who are in residential care: Sheila Bigland-Gibbons, Barbara Milton, Rita Sheppy and David Wilkinson.

We pray for those who have died everywhere: Anne Wood, Edward Bunn, Peter Eyden and Andy Caddell and their families. And also for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

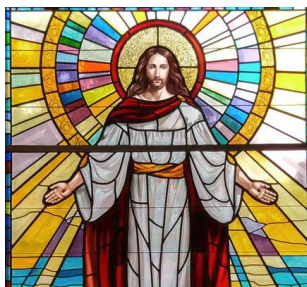
Church Services

The church services this week will be at:

10.30am St Barbara's, Ashton under Hill – Rev Katryn Leclizio

10.30am St Giles', Bredon – Rev Allison Davies





News from the Diocese
Prayers and diocesan news can be found at
www.cofe-worcester.org.uk

The Rota for August 2021

Date	Church	Time	Minister
15 th August	St Peter's, Besford	10.30am	Reverend Allison Davies
	St Peter's, Little Comberton	10.30am	Reverend Katryn Leclezio
22 nd August	Chapel of Ease, Bredon's Norton	9.00am	Reverend Doug Chaplin
	St Nicholas, Teddington	10.30am	Reverend Katryn Leclezio
29 th August	United Service St Giles, Bredon	10.30am	Reverend Katryn Leclezio

Midweek Communion

Date	Church	Time	Minister
11 th August	St Faith's, Overbury	10.00am	Reverend Allison Davies
18 th August	St Peter's, Little Comberton	10.00am	Reverend Katryn Leclezio
25 th August	St James', Defford	10.00am	Reverend Katryn Leclezio

And in other news.....

Reverend Katryn Leclezio will be moving into The Rectory at Elmley Castle on 19th August – we wish her well with her move.

Reverend Allison Davies will be on leave from 20th August – 4th September. Please direct all enquiries to Alison Khan or Rev Katryn during this time. Thank you.



Reverend Allison Davies

Vicar of Eckington, Defford with Besford and Associate Priest for the churches of the Bredon Hill Group