



## SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> August The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

**8.30am Holy communion (BCP) Steep**  
*Pippa Madgwick*

1.Cor. 10 1-13 | Luke 16. 1-19

**10am Parish Communion, High Cross**  
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Hebrews 11. 29-12. 2 | Luke 12. 49-56

**5.45pm Evensong at Portsmouth Cathedral** Preacher: *The Rev Canon Dr Susie Collingridge*

### WEEKDAY PRAYERS

**Thursdays:**

Silent prayer

**6.30pm – 7pm at All Saint's, Steep**

**Morning Prayer** on Zoom (Wednesdays) and at High Cross church (Thursdays) will resume when the schools return in September.

*Our Benefice Churches at High Cross, Froxfield Green and Steep are open daily during daylight hours, when you welcome to come in for private prayer and reflection.*

### NEXT WEEK Sunday 24 August

**8.30am** Holy communion, BCP (Said) Stroud  
1 Cor.12. 1-11 | Luke 19. 41-47

**10am** All Age celebration service with Baptism  
Ephesians 4v1-7,11-16

**12 noon** *Hands around the Church*, Steep  
**6.30pm** *Hymns and Pimm's*, High Cross

### Collect for BCP Communion

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### Collect

Gracious Father,  
revive your Church in our day,  
and make her holy, strong and faithful,  
for your glory's sake  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### Post Communion

Holy Father,  
who gathered us here around the table of your Son  
to share this meal with the whole household of God:  
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,  
gather people of every race and language  
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Prayers for the Anglican community

Let us pray for ....

**The Church Worldwide:** The Scottish Episcopal Church

**Our Diocese:** The Bishop, Jonathan Frost.  
The Archdeacon of the Meon, Kathryn Percival

### Portsmouth Deanery Officers

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**Our Benefice:** Celia Storey, all who are suffering or have recently been bereaved.

.... And where we are

All Saints' Steep GU32 2DD  
St Peter's : High Cross GU32 1EQ:

Stroud Church: GU32 1AT  
Froxfield Green: GU32 1DQ

## Hebrews 11. 29 – 12. 2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned.

<sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days. <sup>31</sup> By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

<sup>32</sup> And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, <sup>33</sup> who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. <sup>35</sup> Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. <sup>36</sup> Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup> They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— <sup>38</sup> the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup> These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, <sup>40</sup> since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

**12** Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup> fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

## Luke 12.49-56

### Jesus the Cause of Division

<sup>49</sup> "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! <sup>50</sup> I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup> From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup> they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

### Interpreting the Time

<sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. <sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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