

CLAPHAM :: KEASDEN :: AUSTWICK :: ELDROTH CHURCHES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry"

No. 278. The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, 5 October 2025

Harvest Festivals with Holy Communion: **9.30 Eldroth, 11.00 Clapham**

6.30 Newby Chapel Evening Easy Church

Philippians 4.4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 6.25-35

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' 26 Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' 28 Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' 29 Jesus answered them, 'This

is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' 30 So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31 Our ancestors ate the manna

in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." 32 Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.

33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 34 They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

35 Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'



Graham McKean, Give us this day (our daily bread)

In our prayers:

The Anglican Church of Tanzania, The Most Revd Dr Maimbo Mndolwa, Archbishop.

Collect for the Harvest

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth
in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need
and for our own well being;
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**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of the harvest,
with joy we have offered thanksgiving
for your love in creation
and have shared in the bread
and the wine of the kingdom:
by your grace plant within us a reverence
for all that you give us,
and make us generous and wise stewards
of the good things we enjoy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymns in today's Harvest Festival services: Sunday 5 October

9.30 Eldroth Harvest Festival with Holy Communion

11.00 Clapham Harvest Festival with Holy Communion

259 Come, ye thankful people come
Oh the life of the world (*words below*)

397 Let us, with a gladsome mind

262 We plough the fields and scatter

285 For the beauty of the earth

Oh the life of the world is a joy and a treasure,
unfolding in beauty the green-growing tree,
the changing of seasons in mountain and valley
the stars and the bright restless sea.

2 Oh the life of the world is a fountain of goodness
overflowing in labour and passion and pain,
in the sound of the city and the silence of wisdom,
in the birth of a child once again.

3 Oh the life of the world is the source of our healing.
It rises in laughter and wells up in song;
it springs from the care of the poor and the broken
and refreshes where justice is strong.

4 So give thanks for the life and give love to the Maker
and rejoice in the gift of the bright risen Son.
And walk in the peace and power of the Spirit
till the days of our living are done.

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HARVEST DOMINOES AND LIGHT SUPPER

Eldroth Church, Tuesday 7th October, 7.00pm
Everybody's welcome!



AUSTWICK HARVEST SUPPER

Including a Harvest Auction

Sunday 12th October
Austwick Parish Hall
6.45pm for 7.00pm meal

A Pie and Pea Supper with a Sweet

Vegetarian and gluten-free options.
Bring your own drinks and glasses.

£12.50 adults and £7.50 children

Tickets available from Cross Leigh Stores and
Cate Muckersie, 07791956304, muckersiec@gmail.com



PLEASE can you support the Auction by making a food or drink donation?

We welcome any fresh fruit and veg, tinned food, biscuits and wine to be brought to the Church at or before the Harvest Festival Service, 9.30am on Sunday 12th October: and if possible please buy from our local shops!

Proceeds from the Auction to the Farming Community Network

ALL YOUR CHURCH SERVICES UNTIL ADVENT

Minister: Revd John Davies unless otherwise stated

5 October Trinity 16
9.30 Eldroth Harvest Festival
11.00 Clapham Harvest Festival
6.30 Newby Chapel Evening Easy Church

Friday 10 October
1.30 Austwick School Harvest Festival Service
- all welcome!

12 October Trinity 17
9.30 Austwick Harvest Festival
11.00 Keasden Holy Communion

19 October Trinity 18
9.30 Austwick Holy Communion
11.00 Clapham Easy Church
6.30 Eldroth Evening Prayer

26 October Last after Trinity
9.30 Austwick Holy Communion
11.00 Clapham Holy Communion
6.30 Keasden Saints Sausages and Sparklers

2 November All Saints' Sunday
9.30 Eldroth Holy Communion
11.00 Clapham Holy Communion
4.00 Austwick All Saints Service
(Thanksgiving for the Faithful Departed)
6.30 Newby Chapel Evening Easy Church

9 November Remembrance
9.30 Austwick Remembrance
10.45 Clapham Remembrance
2.00 Keasden Remembrance

16 November 2 before Advent
9.30 Austwick Holy Communion
(Revd Ian Greenhalgh)
11.00 Clapham Easy Church
(Revd Steve Rathbone)
6.30 Eldroth Taizé
(Judith Johnson)

23 November Christ the King
9.30 Austwick Holy Communion
(Revd Heinz Toller)

30 November Advent Sunday
9.30 Austwick Holy Communion
11.00 Clapham Holy Communion
4.00 Keasden Travelling Crib Launch service

Also each Wednesday
(except Wednesdays 12, 19, 26 November)
10.30 Austwick Holy Communion
(Book of Common Prayer)

AUSTWICK AUTUMN FAIR
Austwick Parish Hall
Saturday 8 November
2.00 - 4.00pm

The Keasden Domino Drive and Supper

planned for Saturday 27 September has been re-arranged for

Saturday 8 November at 7pm
AT ELDROTH VILLAGE HALL

Please message or email Angela Peach for more details.

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Hope to see you there!