

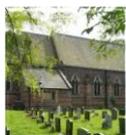
Your Word of the Week

31st July 2022, 7th Sunday after Trinity



Christ Church
Wheelock

St Michaels
Crewe Green



St Matthews
Haslington

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| 10.30 am | St Matthew | Holy Communion | Vicar Jane |
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The Gospel Reading Luke 12:13 - 21

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' ¹⁴ But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' ¹⁵ And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" ¹⁸ Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰ But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

Colossians 2:6-15

³ So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your^[a] life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient.^[b] ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.^[c] ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive^[d] language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal^[e] there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Old Testament Reading, Hosea 1:1-2 (the reading is continued on the other side of the page)

¹ When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.

² The more I^[a] called them,
the more they went from me;^[b]
they kept sacrificing to the Baals,
and offering incense to idols.

(The reading is continued on the other side of the page)

Collect for the day and the Reading from Old Testament,

Collect for 7th Sunday after Trinity

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them
grow:
though our faith is small as
mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your
kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

We remember the sick in our prayers:

Albert Hill, David Kerr, Janet Harding, Hazel Looker, Melodi Kahya, John Lewis, Stephen Jones, Colin Evans, Scott Dake, Helen Birch, Margaret Cooper, Kathleen Burgess, Alan Burgess, Alan Wheeler, Ray Thorley, Margaret Lindop, Gwen Bickerton, John Finnemore, Barbara Harvey, Winnie Rutter, Bob Holland, Rev Canon Bill Baker, Keith and Barbara Whittle, Marjorie Crook, Maureen Bloor, Janet Fallon, Roger Pearce, Anna Betts, Kathleen Knox, Sylvia Good, Martin Harper, Charles Howard-Smith, Freda Claridge, Linda Jones, Chris Hollis, John and Audrey Roberts, Walton Bowyer, Mark Gough, Robert Leach and Angela Adams.

We thank God for the lives of all who have died and for the rest in Christ they now enjoy:

Rita Harrison, Joyce Hancock, Reginald Shawe, Roger Hawkins, Elsie Harrison Joseph Kettle and Evelyn Smith.

We remember and pray for all families whose loved ones have died.

DIARY

9.30am Morning Worship for all St Matthew's church family in church and Facebook Live stream.

10.45am Morning Worship for all Christ Church's family in church and Facebook Live stream.

11.00am Morning Worship for all St Michael's church family.

4.30pm [Fourth Sunday] Evening Prayer from Book of Common Prayer at Christ Church and Facebook Live stream.

10.30am (Fifth Sunday) Joint Benefice service, rotating around our 3 churches.

Wednesday 9.45 am Hoy Communion, (Common Worship), in St Michael and All Angels church.

10.45 am Holy Communion, (Book of Common Prayer), in St Matthew's church.

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Continued reading Hosea 1:3-11

Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,
I took them up in my^[a] arms;
but they did not know that I healed them.

⁴ I led them with cords of human kindness,
with bands of love.

I was to them like those
who lift infants to their cheeks.^[d]
I bent down to them and fed them.

⁵ They shall return to the land of Egypt,
and Assyria shall be their king,
because they have refused to return to me.

⁶ The sword rages in their cities,
it consumes their oracle-priests,
and devours because of their schemes.

⁷ My people are bent on turning away from me.
To the Most High they call,
but he does not raise them up at all.^[e]

⁸ How can I give you up, Ephraim?
How can I hand you over, O Israel?
How can I make you like Admah?
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?
My heart recoils within me;
my compassion grows warm and tender.

⁹ I will not execute my fierce anger;
I will not again destroy Ephraim;
for I am God and no mortal,
the Holy One in your midst,
and I will not come in wrath.^[f]

¹⁰ They shall go after the LORD,
who roars like a lion;
when he roars,
his children shall come trembling from the west.

¹¹ They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt,
and like doves from the land of Assyria;
and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.