

18th September 2022 14th Sunday After Trinity Proper 20

St James' Church

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Notices

Piano Concert

You may have noticed that we now have a baby grand piano in the church. To hear what it can do, come to the concert here on Sunday 9th October from 4.00 pm. This is also a fabulous opportunity to invite a friend or neighbour to come with you.

Harvest Supper

To come to this event on Saturday 15th October, please buy your ticket in advance (£8.00 for adults or £4.00 for children) and make your menu selection on the list at the back of the church. There will be no tickets

at the door.

This Week

Morning Prayer is said at $8.30\ am$

Online: Mon, Wed In the church: Tue, Thu, Fri

Mon 19th September Luke 8: 16 – 18

Public holiday

11.00 am Westminster Abbey, state

funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

7.00 pm Choir practice

Tue 20th **September** Luke 8: 19 – 21

7.30 pm Book group discussing *The*

Second Sleep by Robert Harris

Wed 21st September Matthew 9: 9 – 13

12.00 noon Holy Communion

7.30 pm PCC meets

Thu 22nd **September** Luke 9: 7 – 9

Fri 23rd **September** Luke 9: 10 – 22

1.00 pm Funeral of Sara Osment

Sat 24th **September** Luke 9: 43b – 45

Next Sunday: 25th September

15th Sunday After Trinity

Luke 16: 19 – 31

8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00 am Parish Eucharist

TODAY

6.00 pm Commemoration Service for Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

10.00 am Music

Entrance hymn 157 Firmly I Believe and Truly

Offertory hymn 360 Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet

Recessional hymn 676 Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow

First Reading: Amos 8: 4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, 'When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practise deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2: 1-7

My dearly beloved, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all – this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Gospel Reading: Luke 16: 1-13

Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said



to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.