

Bible Reading from the Old Testament

Jeremiah 23: verses 1 to 6

Restoration after Exile

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them.

So, I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The Righteous Branch of David

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



First Reading at Service Bible Reading from the New Testament

Ephesians 2: verses 11 to 22

One in Christ

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it.

So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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Second Reading at Service Gospel Reading

Mark 6: verses 30 to 34 and 53 to 56

Feeding the Five Thousand

The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Healing the Sick in Gennesaret

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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Notices

Refreshments - everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa, biscuit and chat after the service at the back of church. If you are able to help with refreshments, please do sign up on the rota on the noticeboard.

Coachman's Cottage - prayer and discussion group - will continue during July and August, you are invited to join us from 7.30pm until 9pm on a Thursday for prayer and bible based discussion.

The Field Day - on July 6th was blessed with lovely sunshine after the initial downpour! It was an enjoyable afternoon and a very busy one for St Michael's band of helpers - Paul and Anne, Michael, Bill and Elaine, Andrew and Frances and Frank and Margaret. Our sincere thanks go to them for helping on the day and to everyone else who contributed items for the stalls. The financial outcome is not known yet but will be announced as soon as possible.



New Priest - Our first round of advertising for a Priest was unsuccessful but we will be readvertising again in August with a closing date of 6th September. We will shortlist on 10th September and interviewing shortlisted candidates at the end of September.

Please pray that potential candidates put themselves forward for consideration.

Dates for the Diary

28th July – 9th After Trinity – Morning Prayer at 9.30am

4th August – 10th After Trinity – Holy Communion at 9.30am

11th August – 11th After Trinity – Morning Prayer at 9.30am

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please contact Emma Jones.*

**WELCOME TO
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH
KIRK LANGLEY**

**Sunday 21st July 2024
Eighth Sunday After Trinity**



The service today is Holy Communion

*If you have a prayer request, please pass to the
Church Warden*

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.