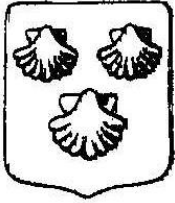
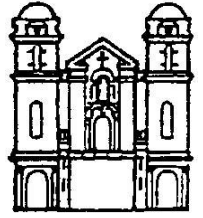


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11 JULY 2021
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Prayer for the Week

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward thee
that we, loving thee in all things and above all things,
may obtain thy promises
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Conceição Fernandes : Gwen Leather :
Marilyn Dorum : Margaret Norman
and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Alpha Hopkins : Mark Sadler : Ann Blanchard :
Anthony Green : Owen Shepherd :
Josephine Chizema : The Very Reverend Derek Hole

Please Take This Leaflet Away With You At The End Of The Service

Welcome to St James the Greater

Sunday 11th July 2021

10:30am

A Service of Said Eucharist For The Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Celebrant and Preacher:

Reverend Jane Sharp

Churchwardens:

Phil Jones and Paul Jenkins

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The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Readings for the Sixth Sunday After Trinity

Amos 7. 7 – 15

Read by Phil Jones

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line
in the midst of my people Israel;
I will never again pass them by;
the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

"Jeroboam shall die by the sword,
and Israel must go into exile
away from his land.'"

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

The Gospel

Mark 6. 14 – 29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever

you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Post Communion Prayer

O God of our pilgrimage,
who hast led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Choral Evensong

6:30pm

Worship led by

Angela Jagger

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The Psalm and Readings for Evensong

Psalm 66

¹ O BE joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.

² Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works : through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.

³ For all the world shall worship thee : sing of thee, and praise thy Name.

⁴ O come hither, and behold the works of God : how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.

⁵ He turned the sea into dry land : so that they went through the water on foot; there did we rejoice thereof.

⁶ He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes behold the people : and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.

⁷ O praise our God, ye people : and make the voice of his praise to be heard;

⁸ Who holdeth our soul in life : and suffereth not our feet to slip.

⁹ For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

¹⁰ Thou broughtest us into the snare : and laidest trouble upon our loins.

¹¹ Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads : we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

¹² I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings: and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

¹³ I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks and goats.

¹⁴ O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

¹⁵ I called unto him with my mouth : and gave him praises with my tongue.

¹⁶ If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart : the Lord will not hear me.

¹⁷ But God hath heard me : and considered the voice of my prayer.

¹⁸ Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me.

Ecclesiasticus 4. 11 – end

Read by John Tompson

Wisdom teaches her children

and gives help to those who seek her.

Whoever loves her loves life,

and those who seek her from early morning are filled with joy.

Whoever holds her fast inherits glory,

and the Lord blesses the place she enters.

Those who serve her minister to the Holy One;

the Lord loves those who love her.

Those who obey her will judge the nations,

and all who listen to her will live secure.

If they remain faithful, they will inherit her;

their descendants will also obtain her.

For at first she will walk with them on tortuous paths;

she will bring fear and dread upon them,

and will torment them by her discipline

until she trusts them,

and she will test them with her ordinances.

Then she will come straight back to them again and gladden them,

and will reveal her secrets to them.

If they go astray she will forsake them,

and hand them over to their ruin.

Watch for the opportune time, and beware of evil,

and do not be ashamed to be yourself.

For there is a shame that leads to sin,
and there is a shame that is glory and favour.
Do not show partiality, to your own harm,
or deference, to your downfall.
Do not refrain from speaking at the proper moment,
and do not hide your wisdom.
For wisdom becomes known through speech,
and education through the words of the tongue.
Never speak against the truth,
but be ashamed of your ignorance.
Do not be ashamed to confess your sins,
and do not try to stop the current of a river.
Do not subject yourself to a fool,
or show partiality to a ruler.
Fight to the death for truth,
and the Lord God will fight for you.

Do not be reckless in your speech,
or sluggish and remiss in your deeds.
Do not be like a lion in your home,
or suspicious of your servants.
Do not let your hand be stretched out to receive
and closed when it is time to give.

Romans 15. 14 – 29

Read by Val Bailey

I myself feel confident about you, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, and able to instruct one another. Nevertheless, on some points I have written to you rather boldly by way of reminder, because of the grace given me by God to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In Christ Jesus, then, I have reason to boast of my work for God. For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to win obedience from the Gentiles, by word and deed, by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God, so that from Jerusalem and as far around as Illyricum I have fully proclaimed the good news of Christ. Thus I make it my ambition to proclaim the good news, not where Christ has already been named, so that I do not build on someone else's foundation, but as it is written, 'Those who have never been told of him shall see, and those who have never heard of him shall understand.'

This is the reason that I have so often been hindered from coming to you. But now, with no further place for me in these regions, I desire, as I have for many years, to come to you when I go to Spain. For I do hope to see you on my journey and to be sent on by you, once I have enjoyed your company for a little while. At present, however, I am

going to Jerusalem in a ministry to the saints; for Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to share their resources with the poor among the saints at Jerusalem. They were pleased to do this, and indeed they owe it to them; for if the Gentiles have come to share in their spiritual blessings, they ought also to be of service to them in material things. So, when I have completed this, and have delivered to them what has been collected, I will set out by way of you to Spain; and I know that when I come to you, I will come in the fullness of the blessing of Christ.

The Vicar Writes ...

With royal interest, sex and violence, the account of the death of John the Baptist can look a bit like a flashy diversion, but it touches deeper issues of speaking truth to power, and the cost of discipleship.

Above all, as we hear of John's body being laid in the tomb, we see him completing his role of forerunner of Christ.

The wanna-be king of the Jews, Herod, displays the emptiness of boasting, violent power, whilst the true King will have the last word.



The Week Ahead

Morning Prayer: With the Vicar away on holiday for the next two weeks, Morning Prayer will restart on Tuesday, 27th July.

Wednesday 14th July 2021

9:00pm

A Service of Compline

Welcome to our weekly online service of Compline, which this week is led by Angela Jagger. To be able to join us please ensure you have downloaded Zoom to your computer, mobile phone or tablet and click on the link below:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74924019595?pwd=dkE2YzNMTWlJSGNobUNDOTdMWDI3Zz09>

Meeting ID: 749 2401 9595

Passcode: v2f0ka

A copy of the Order of Service can be downloaded from the church's website at:

<http://www.stjamesthegreater.org.uk/resources/Order%20of%20Service%20-%20Online%20Compline.pdf>

You can join in the responses, but just make sure you've muted your microphone. There will also be some parts sung by a small group from the choir and the words of the service will also be shown on screen.

ONLINE HOUSE GROUPS The next two sessions take place on Monday 19th July at 2:30pm, led by Val Bailey. Followed by Tuesday 20th July at 7:30pm, led by Alastair Jackson. The next hymn to be discussed by the groups is 'Ye that know the Lord is Gracious'. For more details on how to join, please contact Angela Jagger at: A.F.Jagger@dunelm.org.uk.

TEA AT THE VICARAGE AND BIBLE STUDY Both of these will take a break over the next few weeks and will be restarting on Thursday 29th July at 11:00am and 7:00pm respectively.

MATT HAYNES' FAREWELL When we celebrate our Patronal Festival on 25th July, we'll also be bidding Matt a fond farewell as he moves to Yorkshire to start a new teaching role.

Last Sunday we launched a leaving collection for Matt, so if you'd like to make a donation, please see one of the wardens on duty over the next few Sundays. If you're unable to be in church, but would still like to make a contribution, you can also make an internet banking payment to the church's bank account using the following details:

Sort Code:	Account:	Account Name:
60-15-48	87065258	Church of St James the Greater

If you could email the office at: office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk to let you know that you've used this method, it will help us identify it.

Alternatively, you can send a donation via the Church Office at: St James' Terrace, Leicester, LE2 1NA. If you can let us know wish your donation to go towards Matt's collection, that would be appreciated.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE As part of their Past Cases Review, we have been asked by the Diocese of Leicester to circulate a notice inviting anyone who wants to make a representation about their experience as a victim or survivor of church related abuse in the diocese.

Copies of the notice have been put up in the porch of the church and on the notice board in the lobby of the halls. A copy has also been circulated to everyone who receives their copy of the bulletin electronically.

THE KNIGHTON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA led by Paul Jenkins have very generously agreed to put on two concerts for us to help raise funds for the church. These will take place at 4:00pm and 7:00pm on Saturday 31st July, tickets are selling well – especially for the afternoon performance. So, if you'd like come along and be at the first live music event at the church since before the end of 2019 please don't delay. The evening will feature the following music by J.S Bach:

- Brandenburg Concerto No 3
- Violin Concerto in A minor
- Concerto for two violins
- Suite No 4 for Orchestra

Tickets are £10 each and will be available after services at the church from Sunday 13th June onwards. They'll also be available from members of the orchestra. Each performance will last an hour and will be run to current Covid-19 guidelines. Audiences will also be restricted to 50 people at each concert.

YOUR GIVING TO ST JAMES Did you know that in a normal year over 35% of the church's income is made up of regular Direct Debits and Standing Orders from members of the congregation?

If you already give by Direct Debit or Standing Order, thank you! Of course, if you are able to increase the amount you give, that would be very welcome. We do not hold Gift Aid declarations for some people and if this applies to you, we will be in touch to ask if you can fill one in for us.

If you are not already a regular giver, please consider starting a Direct Debit through the Church of England's Parish Giving Scheme. They offer a very friendly service and will help you set everything up over the phone. They make sure that Gift Aid tax relief is claimed (this adds 25p to every £1 that you give), and they pass every penny of your donation straight through to St James the Greater.

You can contact the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1271 (local call rates apply).

Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service	Monday – Friday at 9.45am	Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong	Wednesday at 3.30pm and Sunday at 3pm	Radio 3
Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10am	Radio 4
Sunday Morning Live	Sunday at 10.30am	BBC 1
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 1.15pm	BBC2

There is also a service on Radio Leicester at 8:00am on a Sunday morning

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind. This is a Freephone number.

Options available include materials also available digitally by the Church of England's Communications team such as Prayer during the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line offers callers a selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides an increasing range of hymns and reflections on them. More options have been added are detailed below:

- # Sleep Well – four reflections before bedtime.
1. Hymns we love – one each day with a spoken reflection based on it.
 2. Hymn line – favourite hymns on a repeating loop.
 3. Daily Reflection for these times – read by Pam Rhodes.
 4. Chair Exercises.
 5. Access to more options (6 – 9).
 6. Weekly service from C of E.
 7. Morning and Evening Prayer from Common Worship.
 8. Latest Government advice on Coronavirus.
 9. Mother's Union Midday Service.

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