

A reading from the letter of Paul to Philemon

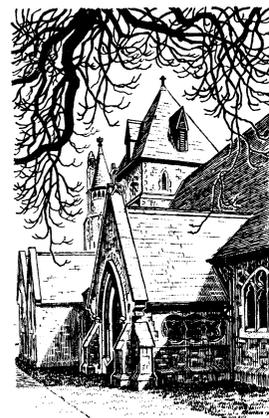
Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Philemon 1-21

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

Luke 14. 25-33



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Sunday 8 September 2019
Trinity 12



Collect

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this Eucharist
you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole
in Christ may bring that healing
to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Green Prayer

Father, forgive us for our short-sightedness, our greed and for the part we have played, however unwittingly, in the destruction of your world. Forgive us that we have exploited the world's resources for ourselves while so many others lack the basic necessities. Create in us a new heart and a new determination, that we may adopt a lifestyle that is gentle to the earth and just to the poor. Amen.

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Trinity 12

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

READINGS: Phil 1-21; Luke 14. 25-33

10.00am Parish Eucharist

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HYMNS: 550, 524, 436, 175

6.30pm BCP Evensong

READINGS:

Isaiah 43/14—44/5 and John 5/30-end

HYMNS: 537, 210, 624

Psalm 121

followed by nibbles and drinks
celebrating 160 years of CCWW



FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need: Michael Green.

Those who have died: Pauline Shepherd-Walwyn; Vera Shamma;

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week: Diana Stephenson (2011), Christopher Shepheard-Walwyn (2007) Stan Tanner (1989), Angela Salmon (2014)

Link Parish:

The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 10 SEPTEMBER

11.00am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Funeral of Vera Shamma in Church

8.00pm PCC Meeting, Truman Room

Thursday 12 SEPTEMBER

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 13 SEPTEMBER

7.30pm Choir Practice

Saturday 14 SEPTEMBER

11-2.30 Abundance Fruit Day at St Mark's Church

NEXT SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER — TRINITY 13

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

12 Noon Baptism Service for Tom and Chris Alfredson

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 17 SEPTEMBER

11.00am Morning Prayer

8.00pm Churches Together Meeting at Sacred Heart

Thursday 19 SEPTEMBER

2.00pm Funeral of Pauline Shepherd-Walwyn
at St John's Church, Spencer Hill

8.00pm Brass Group

Friday 20 SEPTEMBER

7.30pm Choir Practice

160th ANNIVERSARY OF CHRIST CHURCH TODAY after the 10am Service. Thank you to the Social Committee and others who have arranged our party today. Some beautiful cards designed and generously donated by Louise Schenck will be on sale in aid of the Hall refurbishment. Do browse and buy

CREATIONTIDE DISPLAY: thank you to everyone who has brought items and to Ian and Lucy Christie for displaying them. Do have a look and prayerfully give thanks for the beauty of God's creation.

HALL REFURBISHMENT continues. During this work the car park, main hall, kitchen & front of hall toilets are all out of use until the end of September. The toilets at the back of the hall will always be available during this time. We regret there will be no disabled toilet access. The Archdeacon of Lambeth is preaching on **Sunday 13 October at 10am** and will bless the new Hall at the end of the service.

BLINDS FOR THE HALL are needed and we think these will cost in the region of £4,500. Donations have so far been received amount to £1,978 including Gift Aid. If anyone wishes to donate towards this item, please do speak to Michael. Thanks to all our donors.

GARDENING: Karen Chinn has kindly taken over from Hazel Bate the coordination role of volunteer help with the gardens which typically includes Kings School help, maintaining individual borders, rotas and some garden projects and planning. There continues to be a small garden committee involved in this and projects, as well as everybody's much appreciated help. Thank you to Hazel for all her work and we are pleased she continues to be involved.

SHUT THAT DOOR! Please can you get into the habit of closing the side door to the Hall rear passageway (with its access to office and toilets). Thank you.

THE TRUTH ABOUT LIFE—author Marion Shoard will be speaking on Friday 13 September at Old Malden Library. Please see the blue posters for details.

THE FUNERAL OF PAULINE SHEPHERD-WALWYN will take place at **ST JOHN'S CHURCH, SPENCER HILL** on Thursday 19 September at 2pm followed by a reception in St John's Hall. Family flowers only and donations to SSAFA.

URGENT Food Bank Supplies Low—Wimbledon Food Bank is dangerously low on supplies and has sent out an urgent appeal. Urgent needs are currently tinned tomatoes, custard, rice pudding, soup, curry and stew. Also noodles, sugar, snacks and chocolate bars. There is a box for donations at the back of church. Please help if you can.

AUSTIN AND ROBIN COULBER recently took part in the Muddy Kids Challenge to raise money for Cancer Research in memory of their grandma, Sue Rocksborough Smith. They raised **£2,000**. Many congratulations. Thank you to those who supported them. You can see photos of their day displayed on the glass door.

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT at Christ Church newly refurbished Hall, on **Saturday 19th October** starting at 6.30pm. £15 a ticket and children go free. All proceeds go to help pay for the work that's been done to the hall! Please sign your name on the list at the back of Church if you can come. Tickets from Sarah Castle or Tish Mousell.

ABUNDANCE FRUIT DAY 11am-2.30pm on Sat 14 Sept at St Mark's Church garden (behind Wimbledon Library) SW19 7ND. Come and buy home-made jams, fruit juice, cakes and desserts - all made with local fruit that would otherwise be wasted. Local honey, pie-making, music from the International Ukulele Orchestra and children's games - and lots more. Everyone is welcome and entrance is **FREE** Find out more at www.abundancewimbledon.com.