

This week's readings

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well – since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have. *Philippians 1.21–30*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went.

When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first."

When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.' *Matthew 18.21–35*



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SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY

Collect

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Green World Prayer

Lord of all Life, you promised that wherever the river flows, everything shall live. Stir in us a calling to care for the waters – to protect the watershed, defend the rights of water, and honour the dignity of the thirsty. May your Word be a spring within us, gushing forth for the healing of the nations. **Amen**

8am HOLY COMMUNION Readings

Philippians 1.21-end,
Matthew 20.1-18

10am PARISH EUCHARIST Readings

Philippians 1.21-end,
Matthew 20.1-18
Hymns 189, 609, 310, 240

6.30pm EVENSONG Readings

Isaiah 33.13-17;
Matthew 6.19-end
Hymns 73, 386, (omit vv.2,3),
306; Psalm 34.1-12



For our prayers this week

Those who are ill or in need...

Val Hancock, Sara Taylor, John Terry, Louise Schenck

Those who have died...

Anniversary of death... Alec Morley (2007),

Richard Lowe (2017), Elizabeth Fleming (2017)

Our Link Parish St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe

THIS WEEK

Sunday 20 September

We welcome the Revd Stephen Crabtree who'll be leading our 8am and 10am services

TRINITY 16

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Evensong

Wednesday 23 September

9.15am Toddler Group (In the hall)

12 noon Prayer Group

Thursday 24 September

3pm Tea Together on Thursday (In the hall)



TEA TOGETHER ON THURSDAY

3pm, Thursday 24 September

In the hall. All are welcome. Please sign the list at the back of church if you need a lift.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

ST JOHN'S LUNCHTIME CONCERT

1pm, Friday 25 September

Maxime Marquette on piano. Programme (approx. 45 mins) includes Beethoven's "Moonlight" Sonata and his own compositions. Doors 12:30pm. Refreshments available. Free entry with retiring collection. SW19 4NZ

THEOLOGY & GARDENING

6:30pm, 30 September

A lecture in Kew Gardens by Carmody Grey, Professor of Integral Ecology at Radboud University and a regular contributor to BBC Radio 4's *The Moral Maze*.

kewtheologyandgardening.org.uk/events-schedule

CHARITY BRIDGE TEA

2pm, Wednesday October 28

Sumptuous Tea • Raffle • Prizes
In the hall. Tickets £20. To book, please contact Tish Mousell on ccww.warden1@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 27 September

TRINITY 17

8am Holy Communion

10am Service of The Word

6.30pm Evensong

Wednesday 30 September

9.15am Toddler Group

(In the hall)

12 noon Prayer Group

8pm PCC meeting (in Truman Room)



NOTICES

CREATIONTIDE

This year's theme is Water. Thank you to all who've contributed to the displays.

10am Service, 27 September

CCWW Eco Church 'Getting to Gold' Presentation



Sunday 4 October

All are welcome to this Bring & Share lunch.

Please sign the list at the back of Church if you can bring food.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need a volunteer to join the rota serving tea and coffee after the 10am service.

We also need volunteers for Chalice and as Servers.

If you'd like to help chat to Pat Spencer (tea rota) or the Churchwardens, Tish and Sarah. Thank you.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

We have a free pass for Westminster Abbey for four adults/children (aged 6-16). We can use it six times during a 12-month period. **Please enquire via the Churchwardens, Tish or Sarah.**

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