

Notices

Today Joint Service of Informal Communion at St Michaels at 6.30pm.

Today Farewell get together after service cake and drinks for David and Susan.

Quiet Space. Saturday 9th February and 9th March at 9.45am in small meeting room downstairs in St Martins. Please contact Liz Moir if you are able to lead a session.

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3rd February 2019
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

10.30am **Celebrating Communion**
Preacher: Yousouf Gooljary
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Readings: Jeremiah 1. 4-10
 1 Corinthians 13. 1-13
 Luke 4, 21-30

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Third Sunday of Epiphany Sunday 27th January 2019

President: Yousouf Gooljary
Preacher: Yousouf Gooljary



*Living out faith in our community
through prayer, reflection and action*

Hymns HON 362, 442, 56, 560

Collect for Third Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty and eternal God, behold us in our weakness: and stretch out your hands to protect us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Old Testament Reading: Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Read by: David Warnes

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not

mourn or weep.” For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, “Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.”

Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

Which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a

Read by: David Warnes

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Chalice: Lynn Dailly : Roderick MacKenzie

Gospel: Luke 4 :14-21

Read by: Penny Allen

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

Chant

Send me Jesus, send me Jesus, send me Jesus, send me Lord

Repeat with “Lead me...” then “Heal me...”

In small groups

How do you see the church here at St martins working as the Body of Christ?

How do you see the church working as a church family?

Are there helpful similarities or differences between the two models of being church?

Liturgy for saying Goodbye to David and Susan

Sisters and brothers in this community of faith, we are all members of the body of Christ, the time we spend here we make our home.

Together with David and Susan we are gathered to celebrate God’s presence and have listened for God’s voice and sought to discern God’s purposes for us, for our local community and for this congregation. When someone leaves our church we are never quite the same. Today we say farewell to David and Susan. It is with sadness that we see them go, yet we acknowledge that God calls us all in time into new directions. For years they have been part of this congregation, their strengths and needs to have joined our strengths and needs. We have shared worship, hard work, fellowship, and growth in faith.

Susan and David you have given of your time, your energy and your gifts.

As you leave us we pray that you will continue to be faithful to God. Remember us as friends and Disciples in Christ we support you with our loving prayers as you continue to support us.

We have worked with you and laughed with you.

We shall miss your open hearts your smiles and your creative ideas.

Many have felt warm welcome in your home and at our church because of your kindness.

We give thanks for your faithful service to God. The memories of our time together will be honoured as a treasured part of our church.

Go now surrounded by our love, and led by the promises of God, and the presence of Jesus Christ, and the guidance of the holy spirit Amen.

In the out of the way places of the heart

Where your thoughts never think to wander,
your new beginnings have been quietly forming

Waiting until ready to emerge.

Though destinations are not yet clear

May you trust the promise of this opening

As you unfurl yourselves into the grace of this beginning.

May God awaken your spirits of adventure,

That you may hold nothing back, as you find new places to rest

May God bless your new journeys in the world that awaits you.

