

## Churches of St Giles, Holy Cross & St Bartholomew

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# Services for Sunday 15th September 2024 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

St James

8am Said Holy Communion

Revd Ian Gardner

10am Service of reflection on

"Who do you say that I am?"

Revd David Vonberg

St Giles

10am Parish Holy Communion

Revd Juliet Jensen

# Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do,

and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen

# First Reading: Proverbs 1: 20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof: I will pour out my thoughts to you: I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you.

Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.

Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices.

For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.'

# 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 hidden 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 for ever;

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.

# Second Reading: James 3: 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

### Holy Gospel: Mark 8: 27-end

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

#### Intercessions

We pray for those who are ill at this time or in other forms of need, especially those we know. We remember Paul, Edward, Liz, John, Mary, Thelma, Ben, Paul, Pauline, Phyllida, Ann, Bobbie, Les, Paul, Derek, Julie, Robert, David, Mel, Janet, Rita, Norma, Joan, Marion, Rose, Francis, Sue, Tina, Lottie, Rory, Tommie, Carol & Jenny. Be with them in their suffering, support and comfort them and give them peace of mind in times of trouble.' We ask for your prayers for Mike Graham, David Pugh and David Simpson, recently departed. We pray for their families and friends and all those who grieve.

# Post-communion prayer

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

# **Service Sheet for Worship at Home**

If you are unable to join the Sunday services, please do make use of the reflective service for use at home alongside the prayers and readings for the day which can be found on this pew sheet. If you would like a copy please contact the office <a href="ewelmeparishoffice@gmail.com">ewelmeparishoffice@gmail.com</a>

Morning and Evening Prayer in September Morning Prayer Wednesday via Zoom will be on hold until 2<sup>nd</sup> October, then the new time will be 8.45am. In person at 9am on Thursdays in St James

**Evening Prayer** Wednesday at 6pm via Zoom **Zoom Meeting ID: 893 3298 0143 Passcode: 899154** 

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### **Pastoral Care**

Please let Revd Juliet, (01453 350810), Chris Raffle (01453 545684 or 07517 380772), or Revd Jane Wood (07983 623525) know of those who need to be contacted or are in hospital and we will get in touch. Moya Wallis (01453 861675) and Pat Jones (860696) are happy to be contacted for Uley, Owlpen and Nympsfield. You can also contact Clare in The Parish office-ewelmebenefice@gmail.com 01453 549280

## **This Week**

Weds 18th September

**6pm** Evening prayer via Zoom

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> September

9am Morning Prayer in St James
10am Holy Communion at St James
11am Pastoral Prayer Group, Choir Room

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> September

9am Bring & Take event at St James10am Messy Church at St Giles

Services for 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

St James

**10am** Benefice Holy Communion

**6.30pm** Choral Evensong

#### No Live Stream this week.

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