

SUNDAY 7th AUGUST 2022 THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY





Welcome to Worship

If this is your first time of visiting the Knaresborough Team Ministry we are delighted in wishing you a very warm welcome.



St John's Church is open for prayers and to light a candle of hope. A Prayer for Ukraine God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **Amen**

Archbishop Justin Welby, Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



Remembering in our prayers the Ukrainian refugees in our town, that they will receive all the support and care that they need.

THIS WEEK IN CHURCH....

The Word:

then listen.

SUNDAY 7th AUGUST- PUBLIC WORSHIP			
8.00 am	- St John's, Knaresborough	- BCP Holy Communion	
9.00 am	- St John's, Brearton	- Holy Communion	
9.00 am	- St Mary's, Goldsborough	- Holy Communion	
10.30 am	- St John's, Knaresborough	- Holy Communion	
10.30 am	- St Paul & St Margaret's, Nidd	- Mattins	
10.45 am	- Holy Trinity, Knaresborough	- Holy Communion	
WEDNESDAY 10th AUGUST - HOLY COMMUNION			
10.00am	 Holy Trinity, Knaresborough 	- Holy Communion	
11.00am	- St John's, Knaresborough	- Holy Communion	

God speaks to each of us individually. We need to listen, to hear

what He is saying. Let us read the following texts a few times;

Next Sunday - Sunday 14th August		
8.00am	- St John's, Knaresborough,	
	- BCP Holy Communion	
9.00am	-St Mary's, Goldsborough,	
	-Holy Communion	
10.30am	- St John's, Knaresborough,	
	-FEVA Eucharist	
10.30am	- St Paul & St Margaret's, Nidd,	
	- BCP Holy Communion	
10.45am	- Holy Trinity, Knaresborough,	
	-Holy Communion	

The Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both

here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Genesis 15.1-6

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After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not

knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Luke 12.32-40

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen**. God of Mission Who alone brings growth to your Church, Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision and Planning, Wisdom to our actions, Help our church grow in numbers, In spiritual commitment to you, And in service to our local community, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We hold in our prayers:

Her Majesty the Queen - in this year of her platinum jubilee.

Our Diocese, Bishops, Churches & Clergy.

Our local schools as they enjoy their summer holidays.

We pray for the NHS; care homes, businesses and charities; Those supporting and caring for the vulnerable; Our loved ones and friends; Ourselves.

Our mission partners: New Life Ghana and Azaria Spencer, CMS worker in Guatemala.

Those who are being baptised today in our parish: Charlie Peter Orange & Orla Mary Paige Strain.

Those who have asked for prayer:

Lindsey Catt, Ann Cripps, Mildred Davy, Abi Foster, Alison Hopkins, Edith Ingham, Muriel Kagill, Shannon Knight, Simon Lindley, Sheila Porter, Jan Seager, Isaac Sidaway, Joyce Wright.

Those whose anniversary of death we keep:

Constance Howard, Ellis Dyke, Hilda Witty, Robert Mann, Reginald Betts, Herbert Knutton, Jennifer Turner, Susan Herrington, Irene Walker, Pauline Large.

If you would like a family member to be remembered on the anniversary of their death then please contact Faye by email or phoning the office number and leaving a message.



A Blessing

May the presence of the Creator refresh you, may the comfort of the Son renew you, may the inspiration of the Spirit restore you, to be love in action, even from a distance, in our neighbourhoods, near and far, this day and for evermore. Amen