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Weekly News and Worship Sheet from St Leonard's & St Mary's
Sunday 30th October 2022



*I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.*

*A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the sweet earth's flowing breast;*

*A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;*

*A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;*

*Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with rain.*

*Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.*

TREES by Joyce Kilmer



St Mary's AGM Monday 21st November 7pm

This will be preceded by a Chip Shop Supper at 6pm

A sign up sheet and menu will be available shortly

Can we please ask that the Annual Reports from each organisation or activity of the church should be submitted to the Church Office so that we can begin publishing our AGM booklets.

Thank You

Hi everyone,

Firstly, I'd like to just take a moment to thank you for your ongoing support to Storehouse. As you will be aware, many people throughout the country are not looking forward to this winter. Storehouse is planning to make up Christmas holiday food parcels for some of the neediest families/ children in the community this Christmas. If you know anyone who would like to donate an item, but who doesn't know what to give, below is a list of items to choose from.



Tubs of hot chocolate, Long life UHT milk (blue lid), Chocolate spread.

Deodorant (male or female), Laundry liquid.

Tomato ketchup. Can of macaroni cheese. Can of spaghetti hoops.

Mayonnaise. Box of chocolates. Selection boxes.

Once again, many thanks.

Phillip

Welcome

We warmly welcome you to Café Church as we gather to worship together, enjoying each others company and entering into discussions about our faith, our family and the people who have helped us on our way. Like a great family tree of faith we are all connected and welcomed in to the ever growing family of God.

Hymn **O LORD MY GOD! when I in awesome wonder**

Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

And when I think that God His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die—I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home—what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Prayer Loving Lord God, heartbeat of all creation,
Thank you for today, for this place and these people.
Would you meet us in earth,
in seed and soil and in each other,
Would you meet us in the beautiful ordinary,
Meet us in hard work and play and a great cup of tea.
Sing us to stillness, and guide us to peace
Close to all that is created.

Amen

Poem: I think that I shall never see
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Faith Family Activity

a time to reflect and consider our family and the family of faith

Prayer of thanksgiving

brief thanksgiving for all who have touched our lives.
..and strengthened our faith.

Hymn ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL,

All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning
That brightens up the sky.

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one.

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

Readings Nourishment - Placed by cool waters

(They will neither hunger nor thirst.
The searing sun will not reach them anymore.)
For the Lord in his mercy will lead them;
God will lead them beside cool waters. Isaiah 49:10

Discussion:

Think of times, places and people who refresh you: body mind and spirit. Think broadly and creatively. Give thanks for these times and try to intentionally build them into your daily life.

Serving God - Bearing fruit

I am the vine; you are the branches.
Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit.
For apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:5

Discussion:

As you reflect on your life, think about ways in which you 'bear fruit': it may be in ourselves to with family, friends or neighbours. Do you pray for other people like our leaders, Vestry or Clergy that they may bear good fruit?

Persevering - without withering or giving up

But blessed are those who trust in the Lord
and have made the Lord their hope and confidence.
They are like trees planted along a riverbank,
with roots that reach deep into the water.



Such trees are not bothered by the heat
or worried by long months of drought.
Their leaves stay green,
and they never stop producing fruit.

Jeremiah 17:7-8

Discussion:

Keeping going in tough times is really hard
and we need to pray for each other: for those
who shoulder responsibility, for those who
struggle financially or with their health. We
also need to turn to God for our own needs to
persevere, to keep fresh and resourced.

At the end of our discussions time we say together:

**Blessed are those who trust in the Lord
and have made the Lord
their hope and confidence.**

Intercessions

Prayer is offered for the Church, the world and its people

Confession

O LORD, you have examined my heart
and know everything about me.
You know when I sit down or stand up.
You know my thoughts even when I'm far away.
You see me when I travel and when I rest at home.
You know everything I do.
You know what I am going to say even before I say it, LORD .
Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
Point out anything in me that offends you,
and lead me along the path of everlasting life.

Lord Have mercy, **Lord Have mercy**
Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy**
Lord have mercy, **Lord Have mercy**

(Absolution)

Doxology PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW,
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

**When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.**

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.
He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all
the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke the bread and gave it to them,
saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit upon us and on this bread and this wine
that they may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.
As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

Therefore with your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the
eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven:
May your holy name be honoured;
may your Kingdom come;
may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today the food we need.
Forgive us the wrongs we have done,
as we forgive the wrongs that others have done to us.
Do not bring us to hard testing,
but keep us safe from the Evil One.
'For the kingdom is yours,
you are all powerful and worthy of all honour forever
Amen'**

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body, one family of faith,
because we all share in one bread.**

Distribution of Communion

Bread and wine are shared around the tables

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to our gracious God,
whose mercy endures for ever.

May your love take root in us

**Growing deep so we know that we and all creation belong,
and that all shall be well and all manner of things shall be well.**

Bless this day,

all that is growing,

all that is complete,

all that is yet to be finished.

That all may be in you and you may be in all.

Amen

Blessing

May the Peace of God enfold us,

The love of God uphold us,

The wisdom of God control us.

and the blessing of God our Creator, our loving Redeemer

and the One who brings us life in all its fullness;

be with you now and for ever. **Amen**

Hymn

YOU SHALL GO OUT WITH JOY and be led forth with peace,
And the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you.

There'll be shouts of joy, and the trees of the field

Shall clap, shall clap their hands.

And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,

And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,

And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,

And you'll go out with joy.

Dismissal

Go in peace to walk in the Way of the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.



Confirmation, Reaffirmation and Welcome

As a church we seek to welcome people into the life and worship of the church. Week to week this is often done on an informal basis but it is also good from time to time to have a more formal act of welcome. This gives us an opportunity to confirm or reaffirm someone's faith journey and acknowledge and welcome them publicly into the life of the church locally and as part of the world wide Anglican and Christian church.

Maybe you were baptised, or maybe not, but now sense the time is right to consider the next step. Maybe you have started worshipping with us but have come from a different denomination or have newly returned to worship and would like to explore with others the journey of faith. All are welcome to come and explore together.

If you would be interested in exploring with Peter, our Rector what this may involve please do speak to him or any member of the Clergy Team.

Providing a Welcome and Accommodation

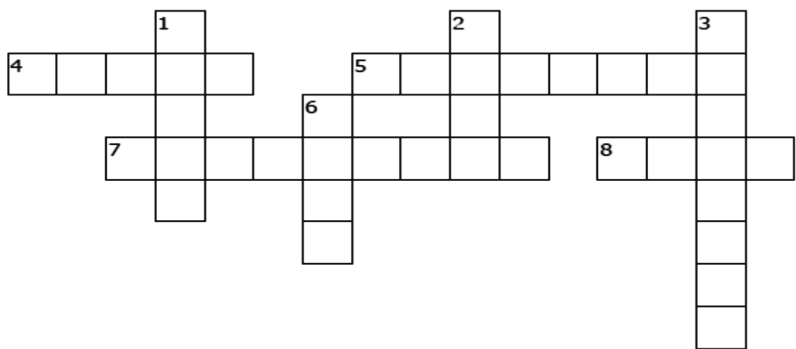
HOMES *for*
UKRAINE



Providing a *safe home*
in the UK for Ukrainians

After what seems to have been a long drawn out and protracted system to navigate the family of 4 will be moving into Vicki's initially the first week in November. The family consist of Dad, Hennadi, Mum Tetiana, Son Mykhailo (9) and daughter Alina (6) there surname is Raichev and they have come from the Odessa region of

Ukraine that saw much devastation during the early part of the war. As the church we plan to support them with there own rented accommodation for the next 6 months as they settle into our community. If you would like to make financial donations to support this work please contact the church office for bank details. For donations in kind please speak to Vicki. In the meantime please hold us and especially the family in prayer.



ACROSS

4. Praise or honor
5. A person who works with plants and flowers
7. Those who follow Jesus
8. A plant that climbs or creeps along the ground

DOWN

1. The part of a vine or tree which is eaten
2. The opposite of false
3. Arms that grow out from the trunk of a tree
6. Burning flame

E F G P M J R Z N W U A Q F Q
 T O G M Z A N Y U X F F E L N
 D I K H G A R D E N E R W E A
 M L T F W I A P V I U B U C V
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BURNED
 FIRE
 TRUE

WITHERS
 THROWN
 FRUIT

GARDENER
 WORDS
 REMAIN

GLORY
 PRUNES
 VINE

BRANCH
 CLEAN
 BEAR



Memorial Service

Sunday 6th November

at 4pm

St Leonard's Church, Dobbies Road

Our Annual Memorial Service gives us all an opportunity to gather and formally remember our departed loved ones and continue to give thanks for their part in our lives.

As part of the service we invite you to light a candle and write the name of your loved ones on one of the wooden crosses and then hang them on our memorial tree. This tree remains in place up until Easter when we give thanks for Jesus resurrection and with it the promise that all who have died will be raised again in the resurrection to come.

Do please feel free to invite family, friends and neighbours to come and take part as we remember and give thanks.

St Mary's Sunday at 10am

stmarysdalkeith.org.uk

St Leonard's Sunday at 10am

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Please note that Monday is our Rector's day off