



REDRUTH TEAM MINISTRY

14TH JUNE 2020

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY PRAYER SHEET DURING COVID-19

Collect for this Sunday

God of truth help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.

Readings for this week

Exodus 19.2–8a, Romans 5.1–8, Matthew 9.35 – 10.8 [9–23]

Post Communion

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 9.35 – 10.8 [9–23]

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

'See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes'.]

Today is MUSIC SUNDAY and all over the country or maybe all over the world virtual choirs will be singing to celebrate church music. So we pray especially for those who bring music into our churches and into our lives. At 6pm on YouTube there will be an opportunity to join with others in singing hymns and well known songs. John Rutter said: *"Music spreads joy, something in short supply in our national life at the moment. Music brings a sense of togetherness and harmony. This year's Music Sunday is more important than ever. Music can unite us, turning neighbours into friends. Listen in at 6pm, this event could make a difference"*. Listen especially to the music within our 10.30am Zoom service today.

You will have heard that the government are suggesting that churches can open for private prayer from June 15th. As this newsletter is being written there is no exact guidance as to how this will happen, but procedures will be discussed in the days ahead.

The Gospel reading for today is Matthew 9 vv35 - 10 vv8. Jesus, seeing that the needs of the people were so great, knew that he needed others to go out into the world and continue his work. It is at this point that Matthew uses the word APOSTLES to describe the first disciples. The word apostle comes from the Latin word 'apostella' which means 'to be sent out'. As the lockdown is being lifted and the churches being opened again, even in a limited way, we are being sent out into communities which are different to the ones before lockdown. Each one of us must find our own pathway into these new communities and do what we can, and use what we can to bring God's love into the lives of others.

SUNDAY 14TH

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

"Will God dwell on earth? The highest heaven cannot contain you, much less the house that I have built." 1Kings 8 vv27

PRAYER: Eternal God you are present in the words I read, the music I hear, the places I go. I know your divine presence is in all creation. PRAY FOR THOSE WHO EVEN IN LOCKDOWN ARE STILL CREATING CONCERTS, PLAYS AND ALL FORMS OF ARTISTIC EXPRESSION.

Monday 15th Evelyn Underhill, spiritual writer, 1941

"I am the good shepherd, the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10 vv11

PRAYER: Lord God, I am afraid, afraid that your love will falter because of me; help me to be brave and take your love for the world out into the unknown.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO TEACH AND WHO MUST COPE WITH RISKS DAY BY DAY.

Tuesday 16th Richard, bishop, 1253

"Let those who love the Lord, turn from the darkness, for the Lord will surround you with protection." Psalm 97 vv1

PRAYER: Faithful God, help my struggle with faith, help me to remember that you are with me always and I need not be afraid.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WE RELY ON WHEN WE NEED HELP, THE EMERGENCY SERVICES AND ALL THOSE WHO KEEP US SAFE.

Wednesday 17th Samuel/Henrietta Barnett, reformers, 1913/1936

"I have other sheep too that do not belong to this fold. I must lead them as well." John 10 vv16

PRAYER: Eternal God and Father, you brought the kingdom of God into the world, be with me as I try to bring others to your kingdom.

PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO SPEAK OPENLY OF THEIR FAITH THAT THEY MAY NOT BE AFRAID, AND THAT OTHERS MAY HEAR THEM.

Thursday 18th Bernard Mizeki, martyr, 1896

"Blessed be the Lord who has given rest to his people Israel, according to all that he promised." 1Kings 8 vv56

PRAYER: Blessed God, so many people are tired of the lockdown and the changes in their lives; help us to rest in your loving arms.

PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHOSE LIVES ARE BOUND UP WITH CARE HOMES AND CARING FOR OTHERS AT HOME, AND FOR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS WHO ARE UNABLE TO VISIT THEM.

Friday 19th Sundar Singh, sadhu (holy man), teacher, 1929

"The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order that I may take it up again." John 10 vv17

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, help me to remember the struggles of the early Christians; help me to give my life to others with love.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO STRUGGLE TO EXPRESS THEIR FAITH BECAUSE OF OPPOSITION OR FEAR. MAY THEY BE GIVEN COURAGE AND HOPE.

Saturday 20th

"No-one takes my life away from me, I lay it down of my own free will." John 10 vv18

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, your love for the world was an act of will; when I do not feel like loving, may I remember that you did not feel like being crucified.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO STRUGGLE TO WALK THE PATHWAY YOU HAVE SHOWED US, FOR THOSE WHO KNOW THAT EVERY LIFE MATTERS (ELM) BUT CANNOT FIND THE WAY TO SHOW THAT TO OTHERS.

SUNDAY 21ST

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.30am. Benefice Zoom service via screen or phone

IN YOUR PRAYERS: Among those who have died in years past we remember: *Richard John Pentreath, Joyce Tansley, Stanley Gibbon, Cecil Stewart.*

Please light a candle at 6pm on Sunday and hold those known to you, those whose names are on this sheet, in God's love: *PHILIP, IAIN, DAVID, DONALD, LILLIAN, PATTI, SUSAN, MARTIN & DEBBIE, HELEN, SHARON, TERRY D., CAROLE H.* Those whose journey has ended and whom we pray rest in God's light and love: *KAREN, TERRY, MAVIS, STEPHEN, GEORGE.*

STUDY GROUPS

Details of how to join these Zoom groups, either on screen or by telephone, were in last week's sheet. The times are as follows...

ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS IN JOHN'S GOSPEL - WEEK 2

Wednesday June 17th: Margaret's group 9.30 am

FP's group 11.15am; bring lunch

Thursday June 18th: Graham's group 7pm

Caspar's group 7.30pm

The theme for week 2 meetings will be: *The woman at the well.*

PLEASE CONTACT THE GROUP LEADER IF YOU HOPE TO ZOOM IN

THE ST ANDREW REDRUTH ONLINE ARTS FESTIVAL

For several years St Andrew Redruth have hosted an arts festival which has always begun on MURDOCH DAY and run through the following week. Due to COVID-19, this year's festival is ONLINE and will open on Murdoch Day, Saturday June 13th. The theme will be ART IN THE LOCKDOWN. Please check the church website and social media platforms for how to view the exhibition.

Murdoch Day, always held in mid-June, celebrates the life of one of Redruth's most famous citizens, William Murdoch. There would normally be an exciting programme of events, including a children's dance, art and music procession, all day entertainment, a street market with many charity stalls, a fun fair and other events throughout the day.

Born on in Ayrshire, Scotland, an important invention by William Murdoch was his steam carriage or road locomotive. This became the first recorded example of a machine moving around under its own power. But, perhaps he is most famous for the use of gas lighting as a replacement for oil and tallow. William's house in Redruth was the first to be lit by gas light. William Murdoch died in 1839 and is buried at St Mary's Church, Handsworth. PS: Did you also know that in 1795 William Murdoch discovered that you could use cod bladders to clean and purify beer!!!

LIVES THAT THE CHURCH REMEMBERS IN THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY JUNE 15TH: *Evelyn Underhill. Spiritual Writer. 1941*

Born in Wolverhampton in 1875, Evelyn was an Anglo-Catholic writer, pacifist and mystic. She was widely read, particularly her work on Christian mysticism. She died in 1941 at the age of 65. She held an honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Aberdeen University.

TUESDAY JUNE 16TH: *Richard. Bishop of Chichester. 1253*

Saint Richard of Chichester was born in Worcestershire in 1198, he died in 1253 and was canonised in 1262. He became Bishop of Chichester, but following a disagreement with the King in 1244 he was locked out of his Bishop's residence and spent two years walking barefoot through his diocese preaching to fishermen, farmers and correcting abuses of the law and power. His shrine was founded in the cathedral and become a place of pilgrimage until in 1538 during the reign of Henry VIII it was plundered. His feast day is known as Sussex Day. The hospice in Chichester is dedicated to him.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17TH: *Samuel & Henrietta Barnett. Social Reformers. 1913 & 1936*

Samuel and Henrietta Barnett were important figures in the social reform movement in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Samuel was the Vicar of St Jude's Church, Whitechapel, the founder of Toynbee Hall, the Whitechapel Art Gallery, and the Education Reform League. He became a Canon of Bristol and a Canon and Sub-Dean of Westminster Abbey. A primary school in Aldgate East bears his name. Henrietta was the founder of the London Pupil Teacher's Association, and the founder of Hampstead Garden Suburb in 1907. The area, seven miles from the centre of London continues to be regarded as one of the finest examples of domestic architecture, and remains home to 13,000 people.

THURSDAY JUNE 18TH: *Bernard Mizeki. Martyr. 1896*

Bernard was born in what is now known as Mozambique. Educated by the Cowley Fathers, Bernard was baptised in 1886. He began his Christian work at St Columba's Hostel and was later sent to Mashonaland (now Zimbabwe) as a catechist and medical worker. In March 1896, tribal rivalry caused Bernard's death. His wife, Mutwa, found him and went for help. Suddenly a great white light appeared and a noise like the wings of many birds. When Mutwa returned, Bernard's body had gone.

FRIDAY JUNE 19TH: *Sundar Singh. Evangelist. Teacher. 1929*

Born in 1889, Sundar Singh was an Indian Christian missionary. Sundar burnt a Bible page by page out of grief at the death of his mother, and when he shouted to God to show himself he had a vision of Jesus. He walked the streets wearing a saffron robe and turban depending on others to support him. Sundar died in the foothills of the Himalayas in 1929 and is revered in India as a great missionary to whom miracles are attributed.

SO, WE ARE ANOTHER WEEK NEARER THE END OF LOCKDOWN AND THE START OF NEW HOPE FOR THE WORLD. UNTIL THAT MOMENT, MAY THIS NAVAJO BLESSING GIVE YOU STRENGTH...

May the warm winds of heaven blow gently on your house,

And may the great spirit bless all who enter.

May your moccasins make happy tracks in many snows, and,

May the rainbow always touch your shoulder. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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