

Readings, Collect and Year's Mind
Sunday 6th November
Season of Reflection & Remembrance
Trinity 21

We remember in our prayers Stig Tengesdal & Richard Shipman who died recently.

Our prayers include those in the Year's Mind this week, Robin White, Christina Jackson, Marjorie Wilson, Marion Bibby, Susan Rankin, Mary Stevenson, Revd Gerald Dale, Tom Elliott, Jemima Cameron, Winifred Polson.

We give special prayers for Sheila K, Senga, Joanna, Masami, Joan M., Delia, Nancy, Jane T., Ukraine, its people, and the World. Also for the family and friends of Stig Tengesdal & Richard Shipman.

The Intercessions are being led by Pam Dugan

Opening Hymn NEH 495 God is working his purpose out

Collect for Trinity 21

O God, our refuge and strength,
the very author of devotion:
hear the prayers of your Church;
and grant that what we seek in faith
we may in fact obtain;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end.

Amen

The Old Testament Reading is Job 19: 23-27a

Job said to his companions: 'O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.'

This is the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 17: 1-9 (*Being read by Christine Rednall*)

1. Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry;
 give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.
2. From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.
3. If you try my heart, if you visit me by night,
 if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me;
 my mouth does not transgress.
4. As for what others do, by the word of your lips
 I have avoided the ways of the violent.
5. My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.
6. I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.
7. Wondrously show your steadfast love,
 O saviour of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand.
8. Guard me as the apple of the eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings,
9. from the wicked who despoil me, my deadly enemies who surround me.

This is the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

The New Testament Reading is 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Gospel Reading is Luke 20: 27-38

Glory to Christ our Saviour

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus, and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Offertory Hymn NEH 374 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Post Communion Prayer

Father of light,
in whom is no change or shadow of turning,
you give us every good and perfect gift
and have brought us to birth by your word of truth:
may we be a living sign of that kingdom
where your whole creation will be made perfect
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Closing Hymn NEH 64 Be though my guardian and my guide

Anthem: O Saviour of the world, by John Goss