
Pew-sheet for Sunday 16th August

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Today's services

Liturgical Colour: Green

8.45am Morning Prayer on Zoom
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10.00am Holy Communion at the
church of St Nicholas, Potterspury

6.00pm Evensong at the church of
St Peter & St Paul, Cosgrove

Collect for today

O God, you declare your almighty
power most chiefly in showing mercy
and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure
of your grace, that we, running the
way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your
heavenly treasure;
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

Post Communion prayer for today

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have
celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings
pardon and peace:
by our communion keep us firm on
the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Readings for this morning's service of Holy Communion

First Reading: Isaiah 56.1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come, and
my deliverance be revealed.

⁶ And the foreigners who join
themselves to the Lord, to minister to
him, to love the name of the Lord, and
to be his servants, all who keep the
sabbath, and do not profane it, and
hold fast my covenant—

⁷ these I will bring to my holy
mountain, and make them joyful in my
house of prayer; their burnt-offerings
and their sacrifices will be accepted on
my altar; for my house shall be called a
house of prayer for all peoples.

⁸ Thus says the Lord God, who gathers
the outcasts of Israel, I will gather
others to them besides those already
gathered.

For the Word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15. [10- 20] 21-28

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[¹⁰ Then he called the crowd to him and
said to them, 'Listen and
understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into
the mouth that defiles a person, but it
is what comes out of the mouth that
defiles.' ¹² Then the disciples
approached and said to him, 'Do you
know that the Pharisees took offence
when they heard what you said?' ¹³ He
answered, 'Every plant that my
heavenly Father has not planted will be
uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are
blind guides of the blind. And if one
blind person guides another, both will

fall into a pit.' ¹⁵ But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' ¹⁶ Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.'

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' ²⁴ He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' ²⁶ He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁷ She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Upcoming services and prayer

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Every Wednesday

8.00pm, a short service of **Night Prayer** on our South Cleley [Facebook page](#).

Every Thursday

5.00pm Meditation Prayer

Contact [Mary McVay](#) so she can send you the details.

Sunday 23rd August

10.00am Holy Communion at Cosgrove

Sunday 30th August

12.00 noon Holy Communion at Furtho for the patronal festival of St Bartholomew, followed by a picnic.

Additional readings for this Sunday

Psalm 67

¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, Selah

² that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.

⁷ May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ² God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

²⁹ for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now^[a] receive mercy. ³² For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.