

39/24



This week at the **Church of
St James the Greater**
Leicester

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29th SEPTEMBER 2024
18th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
CREATIONTIDE 5

Prayer for the Week

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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.

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering
Marilyn Dorum : Anne Sylvester : Nina French : Anthony Green :
Gillian Boorne : Josephine Chizema : Ann Blanchard
and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering
Rex Woolhouse : Penny Judge : Mark Sadler : Nicola Shilton : Mandy Stephensen :
Revd David Clark : Mollie Drake : Revd Jane Sharp : Michael Molloy :
Chris Jones (Phil's father)

Welcome to St James the Greater

08:30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

Common Worship Order I (Traditional)

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood

Assisted by: William Simpey

Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

A card reader donation machine is available.

10:30 Sung Eucharist

President: The Reverend Mark Batchelor

Assisted by: William Woolley and Vicky Roe, Pastoral Assistant

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Sidespeople: Vacant

Servers: William Woolley, Charles Samuel and Tony Chizema

Setting: Darke in F

HYMN 630

GLORIA

Father, Lord of all creation

Darke in F

READING Isaiah 40.21-31 *read by William Woolley*

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

²² It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;

who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to live in;

²³ who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

²⁴ Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,
when he blows upon them, and they wither,
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵ To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see:
Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;

because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.

²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,

‘My way is hidden from the Lord,
and my right is disregarded by my God’?

²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹ He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.

³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;

³¹ but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

GRADUAL HYMN 386 i

Praise we now the word of grace

GOSPEL Luke 7.1-10

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. ²A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. ³When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. ⁴When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, ‘He is worthy of having you do this for him, ⁵for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us.’ ⁶And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, ‘Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; ⁷therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. ⁸For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, “Go”, and he goes, and to another, “Come”, and he comes, and to my slave, “Do this”, and the slave does it.’ ⁹When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, ‘I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith.’ ¹⁰When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

SERMON

INTERCESSIONS

The Reverend Mark Batchelor

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OFFERTORY HYMN 547
MOTET

O Lord of every shining constellation
Give us the wings of faith - Bullock

POST COMMUNION HYMN 432 Bread of the world in mercy broken

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table where you reign
with all your saints for ever.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 739 i Now thank we all our God

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Please stay for refreshments at the end of the service.

A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church.

Please take this leaflet away with you at the end of the Service.

18:30

Choral Evensong

See order of service

Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards

Sidespeople: Vacant

Servers: Hazel Carlin and Michael Bull

HYMN 637

PRECES

From all that dwell below the skies

Smith

PSALM 148

(See music sheet)

FIRST LESSON Exodus 24 *read by Jennifer Clegg*

Then he said to Moses, 'Come up to the Lord, you and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship at a distance. ²Moses alone shall come near the Lord; but the others shall not come near, and the people shall not come up with him.'

³ Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, 'All the words that

the Lord has spoken we will do.’ ⁴And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and set up twelve pillars, corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵He sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt-offerings and sacrificed oxen as offerings of well-being to the Lord. ⁶Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he dashed against the altar. ⁷Then he took the book of the covenant, and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, ‘All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.’ ⁸Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, ‘See the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.’

⁹ Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. Under his feet there was something like a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹God did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; also they beheld God, and they ate and drank.

¹² The Lord said to Moses, ‘Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.’ ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, ‘Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.’

¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

MAGNIFICAT

Chanted

SECOND LESSON Matthew 9.1-8 *read by Brenda Thompson*

And after getting into a boat he crossed the water and came to his own town.

² And just then some people were carrying a paralysed man lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, ‘Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.’ ³Then some of the scribes said to themselves, ‘This man is blaspheming.’ ⁴But Jesus, perceiving their thoughts, said, ‘Why do you think evil in your hearts? ⁵For which is easier, to say, “Your sins are forgiven”, or to say, “Stand up and walk”? ⁶But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins’—he then said to the paralytic—‘Stand up, take your bed and go to your home.’ ⁷And he stood up and went to his home. ⁸When

the crowds saw it, they were filled with awe, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to human beings.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Harwood in A flat

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

RESPONSES

Smith

ANTHEM

Glorious in heaven - Vittoria

PRAYERS

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 649

God of mercy, God of grace

SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

HYMN 676

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

A card reader donation machine is available at the back of church.

The Vicar Writes Both our readings emphasize God's ultimate power and authority – power to create, and to heal. We need to recognize his power in his precious creation, and work with his healing power to heal it from the wounds we have inflicted.



The Week Ahead

Wednesday 2nd

21:00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81259880030?pwd=TG9JbmJzUW56VmFrMmJxdDJBTHFNQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 5988 0030 Passcode: u7iqca

Thursday 3rd

10:30 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

Assisted by: Sheila Roberts

11:00 **Coffee Drop-In**

19.30 **St James Singers rehearsal**

Friday 4th

16.30 Junior Choir. 18.15 Chorister Training. 18.45 Full Choir Rehearsal.

Saturday 5th

10.00 **Saturday Coffee Morning and Worship**

Sunday 6th October
19th Sunday after Trinity

08:30 **BCP Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Johannes Arens
10:30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Canon Dr Stephen Foster
Readings: Proverbs 10.27-end, Matthew 11.25-end
17:00 **Choral Evensong** Officiant: Sheila Roberts, Associate Minister
Readings: Galatians 6.14-end, Luke 12.22-34

FOOD COLLECTION HUB Following Mike's sermon at our Harvest Thanksgiving Evensong, we are pleased to say that we are to become a collection hub for the Leicester South Food Bank, meaning we can bring canned and packet foods, toiletries and sanitary items on a much more regular basis. The collection box will be at the back of church every Sunday. Please keep this in mind when shopping and when coming to church each week. As Mike said, "just stick a tin or two into your pocket as you leave the house on a Sunday" – it really will make a difference to people in our parish and city.

RIDE & STRIDE Thanks to all who helped on Saturday 14th September. We had about 28 visitors. Please let the office know as soon as possible of any sponsor money to come. Returns need to be made by 21st October.

THE SHELL The deadline for contributions to the next edition of 'The Shell' is Sunday 3rd November. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

ALL SOULS REQUIEM Please give names of those to be remembered at this service on 3rd November to the Vicar or the church office by Sunday 27th October.

EVENSONG HOSPITALITY On 6th October we welcome the choir of St Mary Magdalene in Newark to sing Evensong at St James with our Junior and Senior Choir. We would like to serve refreshments for them in the hall, between the rehearsal and service. It would be great to have some volunteers to help with this between 4.30pmish-4.50pm. The service is at 5.00pm, we can clear up after the service, so no one has to miss out.

Similarly we will be welcoming 'Come and Sing-ers' on 13th October to sing Evensong (normal time of 6.30pm). It would be great to make people feel welcome by serving refreshments, this time in church after the service, so choir and congregation can enjoy them together.

Please speak to Emma if you are able to help service or provide refreshments for either or both of these occasions, or email dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

LEICESTER THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY meet on Friday October 11th at 7.30pm at The Frassati Centre (Holy Cross Priory) on Wellington Street to explore **Participation, missio Dei and contemporary ecclesiological controversies: A Missiologist dialogues with Andrew Davison's Participation in God** led by The Revd Canon Dr Nigel Rooms, Anglican Priest and Missiologist, followed by discussion.

COME AND SING EVENSONG - Sunday 13 October 2024
rehearsal 5:00pm, service 6.30pm-7:30pm as usual. All welcome to rehearse and sing Choral Evensong with the St James the Greater Choirs. Sheet music provided.

Music to include: Stanford Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in C & I will sing with the spirit - Rutter. For more information, please speak to Emma or email dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk. Invite you friends to this joyful event, this could be a great opportunity to get interest in our choirs and to build our Evensong congregation as well. Please register so we know how many music copies are needed. <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DWHV>



Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 Extra on DAB
Freeview 708, Freesat 708, Sky 0126, Virgin Media 910 and online at
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006wzfs>

Sunday Worship	Sunday at 8.10 am	Radio 4
Songs of Praise	Sunday at 1.15 pm	BBC 1
Choral Evensong	Sunday and Wednesday at 3 pm	Radio 3

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE - Freephone 0800 804 8044

Funded by the charity 'Faith in Later Life', which welcomes donations for the service at: www.faithinlaterlife.org.uk/donate

The options available from a telephone keypad are:

It is helpful to have the telephone on speakerphone to avoid having to hold the handset.

1. Hymns we love – reflections on favourite hymns
2. How to support Daily Hope
3. Holiday at home on the phone
4. Morning and Evening Prayers
5. Weekly Church of England Service
6. Sleep Well with Daily Hope