

✦ ST GILES'

CHURCH, OXFORD

17 SEPTEMBER 2023 | TRINITY 15 (PROPER 19)

BCP: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Giles', especially if you are visiting or worshipping with us for the first time.

The church is equipped with a loop system: please switch your hearing aid to "T" position.

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8:00am

HOLY COMMUNION

(Book of Common Prayer, said)

President: Revd Daniel Walters

Epistle: Galatians 6.11-end

Gospel: Matthew 6.24-end

10:30am

HOLY COMMUNION

(Common Worship, sung)

*Please note that **this service may be live-streamed on the Internet**. Please speak to our welcome team if you have any concerns.*

President and preacher:

Revd Claire Browes

Deacon:

Revd Dr Siân Grønlie

Hymn 440

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you,

they may be found steadfast in faith
and active in service;
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.

Genesis 50.15–21

¹⁵ Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' ¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Psalms 103.8–13 (p. 197, or overleaf)

Romans 14.1–12

14 Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. ² Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³ Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must

not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

5 Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶ Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

7 We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸ If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. ¹¹ For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

¹² So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Anthem

Save us, O Lord

Edward Bairstow (1874 - 1946)

Save us, O Lord, waking, Guard us
sleeping,

That awake we may watch with Christ,
and asleep we may rest in peace. Amen.

Matthew 18.21-35

21 Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' 22 Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

23 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. 24 When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; 25 and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. 26 So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." 27 And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. 28 But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." 29 Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." 30 But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. 31 When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. 32 Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. 33 Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" 34 And in anger his lord

handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. 35 So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

Hymn 402

Lord, it belongs not to my care

Communion Anthem

Long Since in Egypt's Pleasant Land
C H H Parry (1848 - 1918)

Post Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your
perpetual mercy;
and, because without you our human
frailty cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all
things hurtful,
and lead us to all things profitable to
our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymn 64

Be thou my guardian and my guide

*Please do stay behind for refreshments
after the 10:30 service, served at the
back of church.*

6:30pm
EVENSONG
(Book of Common Prayer, sung)

Officiant: Revd Claire Browes

Hymn 440

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the
King of creation*

Psalm: 119.41-48 (p. 232)

Anthem: Save us, O Lord (*see page 3*)

Old Testament: Ezekiel 20.1-8, 33-44

New Testament: Acts 20.17-end

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Sick: Sue Street, Yvonne White,
William Goldsmith, Melanie Florence,
Alison Bickmore, Margaret Pinsent

RIP:

Year's Mind:

17th – Derek Shaw (2003)

19th – Marcus Saville-Deane (2004)

20th – Michael Blackwell (2019)

23rd – Stephen Sawford (2012)

PSALM 103.8-13

8 The Lord is full of com- | passion • and | mercy :
long-suffering | and of | great — | goodness.

9 He will not | alway • be | chiding :
neither | keepeth • he his | anger • for | ever.

[2nd part.]

10 He hath not dealt with us | after • our | sins :
nor re- | warded • us ac- | cording • to our | wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heav'n is in com- | parison • of the | earth :
so great is his mercy | also • toward | them that | fear him.

12 Look how wide also the | east is • from the | west :
so far hath he | set our | sins — | from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his | own — | children :
even so is the Lord | merciful • unto | them that | fear him.

Glory | be • to the | Father :
and to the Son, | and • to the | Ho-ly | Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, * is now, and | ever • shall | be :
world without | end, A- | — | men.