

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER GROUP:

Wednesdays- 2.30pm Yemen: Yemen is in the grip of a cholera outbreak on an unprecedented scale with over 400,00 cases registered by W.H.O. Pray that medical relief will reach the areas of greatest need and that blockades will be lifted to allow vital food, water and aid to be delivered.

KENDAL BIG BAND CONCERT:

Saturday 30th September 7.00pm (Doors open at 6.30pm). Entrance £10 includes refreshments. Pay on the door, or tickets available from the Parish Office.

FAIRTRADE STALL: There will be a Fairtrade Stall in Church on Sunday 8th October and Sunday 19th November.

SEWING GROUP: Starts again this Monday at 1.30pm in the North Aisle. Then every 2nd and 4th Monday. All welcome. For further information please see Patricia Platt – Verger.

This Week:

Enquiries: (Tel: 44596) The Parish Office is open Monday to Wednesday 9.00am-3.30pm

E-Mail: office@stmaryswindermere.co.uk

MORNING PRAYER: This week at 8am Monday–Thursday. A quiet & helpful way to begin the day

Monday 25th September

- 1.30pm Fellowship Sewing Group
- 4.30pm Rainbows/Brownies/Guides – Harrison Room

Tuesday 26th September

- 10.00am Little Pips
- 5.45pm Quiet Space

Wednesday 27th September

OFFICE CLOSED TODAY

- 10.00am Holy Communion (By Ext.) & Coffee
- 2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time
- 7.00pm REFRESH – Upper Room

Saturday 30th September

- 11.00am Marriage Amy Stevens and Dale Cooper at Jesus Church
- 1.00pm Marriage Karli Hamshaw and Simon Wheeldon at Jesus Church
- 7.00pm Kendal Big Band Concert at St. Mary's

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The Word... ...This Week

24th
Sept
2017



Harvest Thanksgiving

- 8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
- 9.30am Harvest Thanksgiving at Jesus Church, Troutbeck
- 11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving

Today's Music: *(Sheet)*

- Introit O come, ye thankful people, come
- Gradual O Praise ye the Lord!
- Offertory For the beauty of the earth
- Communion Praise and thanksgiving, Father we offer
- Recessional We plough the fields and scatter
- Organist: Denis Aldersea

If you are a visitor to Windermere or this is the first time you have worshipped with us, do make yourself known to one of the Sidesmen. We hope you will find this worship helpful and enjoyable and that you will join us again. You are warmly invited to join us for Coffee etc. after the 11.00am Service.

Gluten Free Wafers are available – please see Wardens & Sidesmen if this would be helpful.

Our Purpose:

We are here to help everyone to know and grow in the love of God through prayer, worship, teaching and service.

Our Vision:

A thriving, growing Christian community.

Next Sunday: 1st Oct

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
- 9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) at Jesus Church. Troutbeck
- 11.00am Sunday Celebration
- 4.00pm Holy Communion with Prayers for Wholeness and Healing

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME

Harvest Readings included in the separate Booklet

The First Reading Philippians 1:1-11

1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 I thank my God every time I remember you, 4 constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, 5 because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. 6 I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. 7 It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. 8 For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. 9 And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight 10 to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, 11 having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Gospel Reading Matthew 18:21-35

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke*

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.'

REFORMATION 500: 31 Oct 2017 is the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther posting his 95 theses on the door of the castle chapel in the German town of Wittenberg – an event that became known as the starting point of the Reformation. To mark this anniversary, we will be exploring the thrilling story of the English Reformation, guided by Mike Reeves through a series of short videos. We began on **Wed 20 September** by looking at Tyndale and the Early Reformers particularly in connection to the translation of the Bible into English. This will be followed by a talk on Henry VIII to help us grasp the political dimensions. Talks begin at **7pm** in the Upper Room, St Mary's. Please enter via the Vestry door.

This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in Old Hall Lane
- Our Little Pips and their families
- Amy and Dale and Karli and Simon who are getting married at Jesus Church on Saturday

From our Book of Remembrance:

This week we remember: Nancy Cousins, Fred and Madge Thexton, Vera Rigg, Brenda Mercer, George Rothera, Arthur Heighton, Dorothy Nicholson and John Waring.

Thank you for your Harvest gifts and to those who have kindly decorated the Church for worship today.