Sunday 25th August



Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
Proper 16

Worship in Truro Cathedral today

8:00am Holy Communion – The Book of Common Prayer, Dean Simon Robinson

10:00am Choral Eucharist – President Dean Simon Robinson,

Preacher Canon Elly Sheard

4:00pm Choral Evensong – Canon Elly Sheard, Preacher Charles Howlett

10:00am Hymns for this morning's service are from the New English Hymnal

475 Ye holy angels bright

126 Lord, in thy name thy servants plead

359 Fight the good fight with all thy might

Music at the 10:00AM Choral Eucharist:

Services today are sung by the University of London Church Choir Howells 'Collegium Regale' Communion Service

Motet Ave Verum Byrd

Music at the 16:00 Choral Evensong

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis Stanford in B flat

Anthem Come let us sing unto the Lord *Daley*

Collect

Almighty God, who called your church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Joshua 24.1-2a; 14-18

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. 'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the

Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.' Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

Psalm 84: 1-6

Response: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoices in the living God.

Response

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: at your altars, O Lord of hosts, My King and my God. *Response*

Blessed are they who dwell in your house: they will always be praising you. Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the high ways to Zion **Response**

Who going through the barren valley find there a spring, and the early rains will clothe it with blessing. They will God from strength to strength and appear before God in Zion *Response*

Second reading: Ephesians 6.10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Gospel Reading: John 6.56-69

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate,

and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.' Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

This week we are praying for: Philip Sharp, Christine Lidgeley, Margaret, Jo, Andrew May, May Kincaid, Fiona Davie, Lisa Hill, Diane N, Kevin Plant, Elliott Wills, Tim Russ, Roy Howe, Barbara Cowdry, June Parnell. Ivor Hicks.

For those who have died: Elizabeth Ridley, John James, Brenda Whitney, Peter Moody, Mike Polkinghorn

Next Sunday, 1st September 2024

08:00	BCP Holy Communion Dean Simon Robinson
10:00	Cathedral Eucharist President and Preacher Canon Elly Sheard
16:00	Choral Evensong Dean Simon Robinson, Preacher Bishop Hugh Nelson

News, services and notices for the week beginning: Monday 26th August 2024

Monday 26 th	11.00	Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle)
Cathedral open	11.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
between 12.00	15.00	Evening Prayer
and 15.00		
Tuesday 27 th	9:00	Holy Communion (All Saints' Chapel)
Monica	9.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	11.00	Funeral of Brenda Whitney
	16.30	Evening Prayer
Wednesday 28 th	9:00	Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle)
Augustine	9.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)

	10.00	Funeral of Elizabeth Ridley
	16.30	Evening Prayer
Thursday 29 th	9:00	Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle)
Beheading of	9.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
John the Baptist	12.10	Christian Meditation
	13:10	Organ Recital: Emmanuel Hocdé
	16.30	Evening Prayer
Friday 30 th	09.00	Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle)
John Bunyan	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	11:00	BCP Holy Communion (St Mary's Aisle)
	16.30	Evening Prayer
Saturday 31st	09.00	Holy Communion (All Saints' Chapel)
Aidan	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	16:00	Evening Prayer

Creationtide is an important season of the church's year, and we will be keeping this season in Truro Cathedral from Sunday 1st September until Sunday 6th October, Harvest Festival. During this time we will share in reflecting on the goodness of God's Creation, the damage being done to the natural world by the activities of humanity and the call of God on the lives of each of us to care better for the world we live in. As well as being reflected in our liturgy there will be an opportunity to spend time in reflection, prayer and study around the issue of creation care using a special booklet created by Canon Elly for these weeks of creationtide. Copies of the booklet will be available at all services from 1st September. Do take one to help your prayers and reflections during this time, but please also do not take more than one as we do not have copyright permission to print any more, and we do not have permission to put the booklet online. If you would like to join with others in reflecting on and praying for our responsibility to care for God's world, you are invited to join Canon Elly in the St PIran's room in the Old Cathedral School on Mondays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th September 2.30pm to 4.00pm where we will ponder together the issues raised in the booklet.

Many thanks Canon Elly

Please note the change to the time of services in the Cathedral on Bank Holiday Monday.

Funerals: There are two funerals being held in St Mary's Aisle this week. The Cathedral will be closed to visitors from 10.00-13.00 on Tuesday and 10.00-11.30 on Wednesday.

Please remember to bring items for the food bank on Sunday 1st September.