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Your Weekly News from St Leonard's & St Mary's
Sunday 23rd October 2022

*Lord,
have mercy on me,
a sinner.*

Luke 18 v13





Beacon OF HOPE

We offer a safe, warm place for you to be still,
reflect or just to talk to someone
prepared to listen and offer you support.
Each Monday our doors will be open for you from
10.00am - 12noon.
St Leonard's Dobbies Road

An invitation to a safe and warm place

The Churches in our area are looking at how we can provide safe and warm place for people in need over the winter months. The hope is that each week day we may be able to sign post people to a safe and warm place where they are welcomed and may have a cuppa and space to be.

We need your help: Building on the days that our churches are currently open and used we want to provide a simple soup and roll lunch on a Monday at St Leonard's and on a Tuesday at St Mary's. 12-2pm. After the lunch we hope the churches would then remain open up until 4pm.

Could you help by offering to staff the church 12-2pm or 2-4pm?

or maybe you could provide some soup and rolls?

if interested and able to help please speak to, or send an email to Peter

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Welcome

Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ

Let us pray

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

Hymn

O WORSHIP THE KING, ALL GLORIOUS ABOVE

O gratefully sing His power and His love:
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

O measureless might ineffable love
while angels delight to hymn thee above
they humble creation though feeble their lays
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

Confession and Absolution

God is love and we are his children.
There is no room for fear in love.

We love because he loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.**

We are truly sorry.

**Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect **Lord God our redeemer,
who hears the cry of your people
and free us from the tyranny of sin and death,
lead us by your Spirit and
bring us to our heavenly rest
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

Reading 2 Timothy 4.6-8

I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day – and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

The Lord will rescue us from every evil attack and will bring us safely to his heavenly kingdom.

To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn

COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING,

Who delight to bring Him praise.

Come, all and tune your hearts to sing

To the Morning Star of grace.

From the shifting shadows of the earth

We will lift our eyes to Him,

Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!

One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun

And those weeping through the night.

Come, those who tell of battles won,

And those struggling in the fight.

For His perfect love will never change,

And His mercies never cease,

But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land,

Men and women of the faith.

Come, those with full or empty hands,

Find the riches of His grace.

Over all the world, His people sing,

Shore to shore we hear them call

The Truth that cries through every age; 'Our God is all in all'

Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to Luke 18.9-14

Glory to Christ our Saviour

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable:

'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and proudly prayed: "God, I thank you that I am not like other people – robbers, evildoers, adulterers – or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get." 'But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, "God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

Jesus said 'I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Intercessions *Prayer is offered for the Church, the world and its people*

Peace The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

We share a sign of peace

Hymn **AMAZING GRACE HOW SWEET THE SOUND**

That saved a wretch like me

I once was lost, but now I'm found

Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed

My chains are gone, I've been set free

My God, my Saviour has ransomed me

And like a flood His mercy reigns

Unending love, Amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me

His word my hope secures

He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow

The sun forbear to shine

But God who called me here below

Will be forever mine, will be forever mine

You are forever mine

Offering: Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven
and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own we give you. Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer 1

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Father,
in every place and at all times.

All power is yours.

You created the heavens and established the earth;
you sustain in being all that is.

In Christ your Son our life and yours
are brought together in a wonderful exchange.

He made his home among us
that we might for ever dwell in you.

Through your Holy Spirit you call us to new birth
in a creation restored by love.

As children of your redeeming purpose we offer you our praise
with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father,
for the gift of your Son born in human flesh.
He is the Word existing beyond time,
both source and final purpose,
bringing to wholeness all that is made.
Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross.
By your power you raised him from the dead.
He broke the bonds of evil and set your people free
to be his Body in the world.

On the night when he was given up to death,
knowing that his hour had come,
having loved his own, he loved them to the end.
At supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:
'Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you.'

After supper, he took the cup,
he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying:
'Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together
in unity and love until at last, in your new creation,**

**we enter into our heritage in the company of
the Virgin Mary, the apostles and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world
Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Do not bring us to the time of trial
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Distribution of Communion

Communion Song

BEHOLD THE LAMB WHO BEARS OUR SINS AWAY,

Slain for us, - and we remember
the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the king

The body of our saviour Jesus Christ,
torn for you, eat and remember;
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the king

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
shed for you, drink and remember,
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the king

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise,
to respond and to remember,
our call to follow in the steps of Christ
as His body here on earth
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.
And his mercy endures for ever.

**Merciful Lord who has heard our cry for mercy,
help us to return to our homes and the people we meet this
week carrying your Good News of forgiveness and love.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Blessing The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord:
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Hymn

AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN

An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?

Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race.

'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;

My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,

Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

**You are invited to join with us in the hall
for a time of fellowship and refreshment**



Confirmation, Reaffirmation and Welcome

As a church we seek to welcome people into the life and worship of the church. Week to week this is often done on an informal basis but it is also good from time to time to have a more formal act of welcome. This gives us an opportunity to confirm or reaffirm someone's faith journey and acknowledge and welcome them publicly into the life of the church locally and as part of the world wide Anglican and Christian church.

Maybe you were baptised, or maybe not, but now sense the time is right to consider the next step. Maybe you have started worshipping with us but have come from a different denomination or have newly returned to worship and would like to explore with others the journey of faith. All are welcome to come and explore together.

If you would be interested in exploring with Peter, our Rector what this may involve please do speak to him or any member of the Clergy Team.

Providing a Welcome and Accommodation

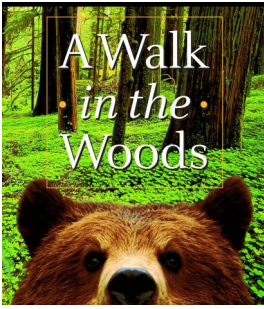
HOMES *for*
UKRAINE



Providing a *safe home*
in the UK for Ukrainians

After what seems to have been a long drawn out and protracted system to navigate the family of 4 will be moving into Vicki's initially the first week in November. The family consist of Dad, Hennadi, Mum Tetiana, Son Mykhailo (9) and daughter Alina (6) there surname is Raichev and they have come from the Odessa region of

Ukraine that saw much devastation during the early part of the war. As the church we plan to support them with there own rented accommodation for the next 6 months as they settle into our community. If you would like to make financial donations to support this work please contact the church office for bank details. For donations in kind please speak to Vicki. In the meantime please hold us and especially the family in prayer.



Link Book Club

A WALK IN THE WOODS By Bill Bryson

The Book Club met at the Justinlees recently and over the burgers and fish and chips reviewed Bill Bryson's book which has also been made into a film starring Robert Redford and Nick Nolte.

This was a classic Bryson offering as he described his attempt to walk the Appalachian Trail, the longest footpath in the world at 2,200 miles along the east coast of the US from Georgia to Maine. He was accompanied by his friend, Katz who provided most of the comical elements of the tale as the latter was initially grossly overweight with no real clue about hiking and so started with completely inappropriate gear. Bryson describes the wilderness along with animal encounters, weather, accommodation, both luxury and inhospitable and getting very lost and very wet! He added a lot of information about geology, ecological disasters and history. Inevitably he found he could not do the whole trail end to end and instead did bits of it which was far more practical. This was an enjoyable read but the usual Bryson formula.

Vicki Clark



The **Bonnyrigg & Lasswade Local History Society** begins a new season for 2022—2023 this Wednesday 19th October at 7.30pm in the Pitcairn Hall, High Street, Bonnyrigg. A warm and open invite to everyone.

Wednesday 16th November

Polton House and its War Time Role

Wednesday 18th January

Farm Servants of South East Scotland



SHOE BOX APPEAL 2022

We invite you to fill a shoebox for this years appeal. Filled boxes should be returned to the church **by Sunday 30th October (next Sunday)** so they can be collected and begin their journey bringing joy and pleasure to those in need. Please pick up an information leaflet available at both churches or visit:

<https://blythswood.org/> - for more information, thank you

Pet Food Bank at St Mary's



We are in the process of setting up a partnership with Edinburgh Dog & Cat Home to establish a Pet Food Bank. Times are tough and with the winter months ahead of us there are many challenges to be faced. As there has been an increase demand on Food Banks for families so we have become concerned for those who have pets and may feel that there only option is to give up a beloved pet. Our pets are often a much-needed source of comfort, stability, and security and can help reduce stress and improve our mental health. Our goal working in partnership with EDCH is to empower owners to keep their pets where they belong at home being loved.

We are very much in the planning stages, so please keep an eye out for more information about this new project on our Facebook Page or Websites. We also hope to provide a warm place for you to come and collect your pet food but also offer you a cuppa and a place to rest for awhile with or without your friend. More Info coming soon....



Calling all Knitters and Natters

our next meeting of the Knitting Group
takes place on Thursday 27th October 10.30am
at Newbyres Nursing Home

Come along for a natter or come and knit all are welcome.



**Saturday October 29th
4—6pm**

A celebration of light

Come and join in with us
for a time of light themed crafts, story and songs
as we explore and celebrate the light of the world.

Messy Church is open to everyone and begins with a time of
craft activities, followed by a Story and Song and ends with a
hot meal as we gather together as one big Messy Family

All are welcome, but if you can please let us know your coming by
emailing or phoning the church office. This helps us prepare the right
amount of materials for crafts and for the meal.



Memorial Service

Sunday 6th November

at 4pm

St Leonard's Church, Dobbies Road

Our Annual Memorial Service gives us all an opportunity to gather and formally remember our departed loved ones and continue to give thanks for their part in our lives.

As part of the service we invite you to light a candle and write the name of your loved ones on one of the wooden crosses and then hang them on our memorial tree. This tree remains in place up until Easter when we give thanks for Jesus resurrection and with it the promise that all who have died will be raised again in the resurrection to come.

Do please feel free to invite family, friends and neighbours to come and take part as we remember and give thanks.

St Mary's Sunday at 10am

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St Leonard's Sunday at 10am

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Please note that Monday is our Rector's day off