

Due to the Government restrictions the weekly Homegroup for the East side of Kyrenia and mid-week contemporary Morning Prayer service are postponed until further notice.

Thursday Morning e-Praise Service

Steve Bishop has kindly offered to prepare e-Morning Praise Services as set out below. If you don't regularly attend the Thursday service and wish to partake please send an email to Steve at stevebrcs@yahoo.co.uk so that he can include you:-

Ps 112: *"Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commandssurely he will never be shaken He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord"*

As it seems likely that we will be unable to hold services at St Andrews for quite some time, **Thursday Morning Praise** is going to continue as an E-service. That means regular attendees at that service will be emailed a full service text including Scripture readings, a (short) talk and prayer suggestions.

The intention is that at 10am each Thursday we can still join in corporate worship: participants are encouraged to read aloud the usual responses, read the Scriptures and talk, add their own prayers and hence continue to be part of our worshipping community.

The service will be emailed out a day or so in advance. If you don't normally go to the mid-week service but would still like to be included in this weekly email, please contact us at stevebrcs@yahoo.co.uk

Link to an on-line Sunday service from St. Helena's Church, Larnaca, Cyprus

<https://sainthelenaschurch.com/online-services/>

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KYRENIA



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With church services being cancelled again for the foreseeable future we can stay together by sharing what would be our church service each Sunday, with the Collect, Psalm and Readings and also of course a Prayer List.

Please pray for the following throughout the coming week

Pamela Howe, Jodine, Jenny Hayward, Kitty Hunter, Ian and Linda Smith, Mike and Judy Lukey, Win Smith, Dave Sturgess, Olivia Hodgkinson, Rosemary Dixon, Jeanette and David Burton, baby Louie Syddall, June Llewellyn, Suzee Moore, Padmesh Gartaula, Stan Keevil, David and Sue Walker, Barbara Symons, along with those mentioned in our remembrance book. We pray also for strength and grace for those who carry the burden of care.

We remember those who have departed and those who mourn their loss.

Please contact the Wardens to include persons to be remembered in our prayers

Collect:

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

First Reading: Isaiah 5: 1–7 (NRSV)

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watch-tower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Psalms 80: 9-17 (Common Worship)

9 You brought a vine out of Egypt; **you drove out the nations and planted it.**
10 You made room around it, **and when it had taken root, it filled the land.**
11 The hills were covered with its shadow **and the cedars of God by its boughs.**
12 It stretched out its branches to the Sea **and its tendrils to the River.**
13 Why then have you broken down its wall, **so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**
14 The wild boar out of the wood tears it off, **and all the insects of the field devour it.**
15 Turn again, O God of hosts, **look down from heaven and behold;**
16 Cherish this vine which your right hand has planted, **and the branch that you made so strong for yourself.**
17 Let those who burnt it with fire, who cut it down, **perish at the rebuke of your countenance.**
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; **as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen**

Second Reading: Philippians 3: 4b-14 (NRSV)

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I

had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21: 33-46 (NRSV)

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"?' Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.' When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet. You saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.'

Post Communion:

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**