

# ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, KYRENIA



The Anglican Diocese of  
**Cyprus and the Gulf**  
in the Episcopal Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East

## MORNING PRAISE FOR LENT

Starting **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021** and throughout Lent.

A contemporary Morning Prayer service around the theme of Unity in Christ.

Originally intended to include an interactive discussion-style talk as part of the midweek service at St Andrews, due to the ongoing TRNC pandemic restrictions it will have to take the form of an E-service only.

If you do not already receive the weekly St Andrews Morning Praise E-Service by email and wish to do so, please email [stavebrcs@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stavebrcs@yahoo.co.uk)

*"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" Romans 15:5*

**Due to Government restrictions the church is closed until further notice. When church services are able to recommence we will announce this on the St. Andrew's Church website.**

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**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Sunday next before Lent**



**Please pray for the following throughout the coming week**

**"The prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well therefore pray for each other so that you may be healed" James 5:15**

**Brian Hopkins, Sandy Oram, Barbara Symons (and Roy), Tony Coleman, Judith Allcock, Reverend Dr. Andrew Tatham's daughter Alice, Jenny Hayward, Ian Smith (and Linda), Padmesh Gartaula, Stan Keevil (and Anne),** 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:**

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

**First Reading: 2 Kings 2: 1, 12 (NRSV)**

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

**Psalms 50: 1-6 (Common Worship)**

1 The Lord, the most mighty God, has spoken **and called the world from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

2 Out of Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth; **our God comes and will not keep silence.**

3 Consuming fire goes out before him **and a mighty tempest stirs about him.**

4 He calls the heaven above, **and the earth, that he may judge his people:**

5 'Gather to me my faithful, **who have sealed my covenant with sacrifice.'**

6 Let the heavens declare his righteousness, **for God himself is judge.**

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: 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 (NRSV)**

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Gospel Reading: Mark 9: 2-9 (NRSV)**

Six days after Peter said that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the living God, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Post Communion:**

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**