Daily Bread

Feria of 15th Week of Ordinary Time

Monday, 14th July Exodus 1: 8-14, 22; Matthew 10: 34 - 11: 1

Tuesday, 15th July Exodus 2: 1-15; Matthew 11: 20-24

Wednesday, 16th July Exodus 3: 1-12; Matthew 11: 25-27

Thursday, 17th July Exodus 3: 13-20; Matthew 11: 28-30

Friday, 18th July Exodus 11: 10-12, 14; Matthew 12: 1-8

Saturday, 19th July Exodus 12: 37-42; Matthew 12: 14-21

Sunday, 20th July 6th Sunday after Pentecost Genesis 18: 1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1: 15-28; Luke 10: 38-42 Eucharist (St John's Church), 10.30am.

Announcements

Next Sunday, 20 July: There will be a 1982 Eucharist at St John's Church at 10.30am (no service at St Serf's). All are welcome.

Morning Prayer will be livestreamed at 9am on Facebook on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Discussion Group: Tomorrow, **Monday 14**th **July** at **2pm** we will continue watching the 3rd season of "The Chosen" at the rectory in Cambuslang. "The Chosen" is a modern dramatisation of the life and ministry of Jesus. Each Monday we will watch one episode together followed by a brief discussion about the episode. If you would like to come but need a lift please speak with Tess. If you would prefer to participate by watching with us on Zoom, that is also possible.

Days off: Revd Tess takes **Thursday** and **Friday** as days off.

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GLASGOW EAST END EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

(Incorporating St John's, Baillieston; St Kentigern's, Dennistoun and St Serf's, Shettleston)

5th Sunday after Pentecost

13th July 2025

Welcome to our church for this Sunday's service; do stay for tea or coffee afterwards, we look forward to meeting you. If the morning service is the celebration of the Eucharist, all are welcome to make their communion here. Or if you prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward to the rail with arms by your sides.

Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you good things no eye has seen: pour into our hearts such love of you, that, by loving you in all things and above all things, we may be worthy of your promises, which surpass all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Lectionary

Deuteronomy 30: 9-14

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying, The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you. just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all vour heart and with all vour soul. Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No. the word is very near to you: it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Psalm 25: 1-10

R Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

R

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting. 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

R

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.

R

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
10 For your name's sake, O Lord,

forgive my sin, for it is great. R Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

Colossians 1: 1-14

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of

God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that vou may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Luke 10: 25-37

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.' But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him: and when he saw him. he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay vou whatever more vou spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him. 'Go and do likewise.'

Post Communion

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Intercessions

Please pray for healing and comfort for:

Dorotheea, David, Elizabeth, Edward, Valerie, Ina, Liz, Harry John, Danut, Mihaela, Alan, Janet, John, Sarah, Christine, Jeremy, Michael, John, Janet, Paul, Henryk and Annie.

Faithful departed anniversaries:

Jim Forrester, Annie Bryce and William Dalziel.

Reflection

Beatitudes for carers.

The Good Samaritan was someone who cared.

Blessed are those who care: they will let people know they are loved.

Blessed are those who are gentle: they will help people to grow as the sun helps the buds to unfold.

Blessed are those who listen:

they will lighten many a burden.

Blessed are those who know how to let go:

they will have the joy of seeing people find themselves.

Blessed are those who, when nothing can be done or said, do not walk away, but remain to provide a comforting and supportive presence: they will help the sufferer to bear the unbearable.

Blessed are those who recognise their own need to receive:

they will be able to give all the better. And blessed are those who give without hope of return:

they will give people an experience of God.

