

COVID-19 prayer

Sovereign Lord, you know all things and through all circumstances of life you accompany your people. Prosper the work of those who are seeking a vaccine for the coronavirus. Protect and strengthen those who are treating the sick. Comfort the sick and those who mourn the loss of loved ones or are living in fear of this disease.

Give to the governing authorities wisdom in their management of this crisis, and grant to your people patience, compliance and peace, generous and wise hearts and a renewed trust in your sovereign goodness and glory. Turn the hearts of many experiencing fear and anxiety to you that they may find that peace which only you can give, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Pray for God's provision of a new Director for St Andrew's Kindergarten.

Pray for Anthony's summer mission trip, for the whole team's safety while they are there.

Pray for Lynn Clarke, Jean Steele, Kay Woodcock, Max Schweizer.

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Giving

A helpful way to give regularly is by direct debit.

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Sunday 6th December 2020

2nd Sunday in Advent

Welcome



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A fresh start with God

Welcome!

Welcome to Church! Welcome also to those listening in from home. Thank you for joining in to this week's service and Bible Teaching. If you are new, or visiting us today, a special welcome to you.

A sentence from the Bible to prepare us for hearing God's word...

"I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile."

Romans 1:16

Trevor Young – Senior Minister

Today's Sermon

'Learn from those who teach us – heed their wisdom' - Romans 15:14-33

Sermon Series: "Righteousness Revealed"
from the New Testament book of Romans

TODAY

Service of Word and Prayer
Form 1

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RECORDED and available off the website from 12 noon Sunday

After the service time is available to meet and greet. But please remain in your seats or move outside to the playground to do so, and comply with social distancing.

Welcome

Acknowledging God

Drawing near to God

Hearing God's Word

Romans 15:14-33

Learn from those who teach us – heed their wisdom

Bible Teaching

Song on Screen *(Listen in)*
Servants of the Gospel

What we believe

Praying for God's world

Announcements

Going out to serve

Prayers

A prayer for forgiveness

Merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the schemes and desires of our own hearts and have broken your holy laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us; restore those who are repentant, according to the promises declared to us through your Son Jesus Christ. Grant, merciful Father, for his sake, that from now on, we may live godly and obedient lives, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

A set prayer for the day

Blessed Lord, you have caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that, encouraged and supported by your holy Word, we may embrace and always hold fast the joyful hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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The Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. **Amen.**

December mission focus

Please remember to pray for ALL our link missionaries and for all Anglican Chaplains of this Christmas period.

Notices

Good news concerning relaxing of restrictions!

If you have not already done so, please read the latest newsletter from the Archbishop sent out to all by email last Friday.

From tomorrow, we can hold more people in the church, and we can now sing! Praise the Lord! The 4m² rule has been reduced to 2m² which means we can sit a little closer, still keeping an arms distance from each other, and praise God with our singing voices. Singers up the front don't need to wear a mask, but it's recommended the congregation do when singing (and Glenn will have more to say on this during the week).

All in all, we must give thanks to God. Trevor, in consultation with Parish Council, has agreed to return to celebrating Holy Communion in church. Trevor will explain how we will do that appropriately in next Sunday's bulletin. Continue to practice safe hygiene and social distancing, be patient and continue to set a good example.

Sunday night Bible study with Trevor

Tonight is the last Sunday night Bible study for 2020. It's from 5pm to 6pm in the back of the church. Come, think about, ask questions and share together what we learn of God from the last two chapters of Romans. No need to let Trevor know you are coming - just turn up.

Save the date! Sunday, 20 December

Please come along to our Family Christmas Celebration at 9.30am on Sunday, 20 December. This is a service for all, when we will celebrate the wonderful story of Christmas with our Kids Church families!

Christmas Day at Abbotsford Anglican

Earlier time of **9:00am**, with Holy Communion.

December and January Sermon Series

Over December and January our Bible readings and teaching will be from the first two chapters of the Gospels of Luke and Matthew.

Bible Teaching next Sunday

"God's plan was always to become one of us" – Luke 1:1-4,26-38

Sermons series: That we might be certain of the things we have been taught.