

## Sunday, July, 28<sup>th</sup> Trinity 9

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9.30am Eucharist, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024

11am Holy Communion, 31<sup>st</sup> July

**Processional Hymn:-** 506      **Lord of all being**

### **Collect:-**

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **First reading:-** A reading from the second book of Samuel.

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.' So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house,' David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting,

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and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

**This is the word of the Lord**

**Thanks be to God**

**Response to Psalm 145:-** You open wide your hand, O Lord, and satisfy our needs.

All your works praise you, O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.

**R**

They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power; That the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

**R**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. The Lord is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds. The Lord upholds all those who fall; he lifts up those who are bowed down.

**R**

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and you give them their food in due season. You open wide your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

**R**

The Lord is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works. The Lord is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.

**R**

**Second Reading:-** A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

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**HYMN:-** 541 -O Love Divine, how sweet Thou art. Omit v 3

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**Gospel:-** Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

**Offertory Hymn:-** 413 Eternal Father

**Communion Hymn:-** 329 Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour

**Anthem:-** Sacerdores Domini - Byrd

**Post Communion Prayer:-** Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Recessional Hymn :-** 569 Sing praise to Go

**Craft and Chat:-** 10am on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August in Church.

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Please remember in your prayers this week:- Sarina, Janice Pinnock, Jean Rochester, Cynthia Foster, Christopher Munns, Barry Ireland, Amy Su Armitage, Velma Munns, Dave Cheney, Nina Beetson, Peter Fisher. Janet Maclean, Donna Thwaite and Mark Butts. Those who have recently died Rita Streather and those whose Years Mind occurs at this time:-Pat Richardson and Colin Mears.

### Floodlight Sponsorship

Jane Elizabeth Farrell

In loving memory of a dearly beloved daughter and sister on her 52<sup>nd</sup> birthday, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### FR Stan and Kathryn invite you to Afternoon Tea

11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> Sundays in August – 3pm to 5pm at 45 Finedon Road, Irthlingborough, NN9 5TY. Tickets £5.00 on sale from July 14<sup>th</sup>

**To the congregation of St Mary's.** The installation service for Rev'd Morna will take place on Wednesday the 4th September at a 7.30pm service conducted by Bishop Debbie, Bishop of Peterborough. Everyone is warmly invited to join in this celebration of new ministry. If you will be joining Rev'd Morna can we please ask that you put your name/s on the list on the table near the notice board. Many thanks Churchwardens.

**Congratulations to Marion and Malcolm Needle on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. They ask you to join them to celebrate the day after Church with cakes that Malcolm has been up all night making!! (Well! He specially fetched them from the shop)**

### Important Notice

**From the 10<sup>th</sup> September the 11am service on Wednesdays, ( that used to be the 8am service on Sundays), will be on Tuesdays at 11am.**

**The Reverend Simpson will be training Curates on Wednesdays so a new day was needed for the Communion Service. The congregation on Wednesday were all asked to fill in a form to say which days would suit them best. The majority chose Tuesdays.**