

Connected

2nd Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 9th June 2024

Sermon Snippets

Christ Church
Matthew 16: 13-28

Peter is seen by Jesus as the "foundation" of the church... and yet he was far from perfect. He was rash, headstrong, cowardly, and uneducated to name a few! And yet Jesus chose him, I think, knowing his true character. However, Jesus wasn't dealing with him as the "finished article" but as a man who would be open to His transformation.

Come along or listen in to find out more.

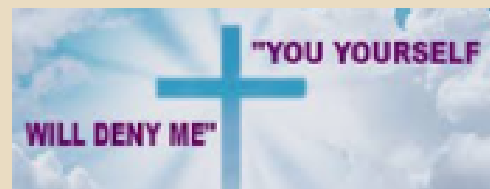


Emmanuel
John 18: 15-27

This week we'll be looking at John's account of Peter's denial.

Peter's example offers us three simple messages:
(1) we all fail!
(2) that our leaders fail! (this is particularly pertinent for me as I move forward in ministry!)
(3) that God still chooses, calls, and uses failures.

God uses our weaknesses as well as our strengths in building his Kingdom. We need to heed the first words of Jesus to Peter - "follow me" - and ask for God's help to make good out of our mistakes.



Celebration of Lay Ministries 2024

Each year, as a Diocese, we come together to celebrate all that lay (not ordained) people give to the life of the church and to their community.

This year's celebration takes place at 2pm on Saturday 22nd June at St Paul's Church, Weston-super-Mare, with the theme of 'Harmony'.



For more information regarding this event please see 'Coffee after the Service...'

Donna

D-DAY : 80TH ANNIVERSARY

LIKE ME, MANY OF YOU MAY HAVE WATCHED PROGRAMMES ABOUT THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY. THIS DAY, AND THE MONTHS THAT FOLLOWED, WERE INCREDIBLY COSTLY ONES IN TERMS OF LOSS OF LIFE. BUT THIS DAY MARKED THE TURNING POINT OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR AND WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE MANY WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR THIS.

Tom



Prayer Pointers

MONDAY

Pray for countries across the world whose citizens are living in fear of losing their homes, their freedom, and their lives - thinking of Myanmar, Ukraine, and Iran amongst others.

TUESDAY

Remember all who live in countries which are suffering natural disasters - leaving many people without homes, food, and safety. And with little hope for the future. Pray for all people in Western Uganda and Papua New Guinea following disastrous mudslides there.

WEDNESDAY

With a general election now being called, we pray that those who are elected will be MPs who will be there to serve their constituents with honesty and integrity.

THURSDAY

For all those in our church family or known to us personally who have lost loved ones in recent months. Pray that they feel God's healing loving presence.

FRIDAY

Let us give thanks for those who minister to us on Sundays: thinking of Tom, Larissa, the retired clergy, and lay readers as well as Nicky and her team. We also give thanks for our musicians who enhance our worship. We are blessed indeed.

SATURDAY

Pray for those in our families, friendship groups, and work colleagues who do not yet know Jesus. Pray that we can help them to believe.

Watch the Morning Service

at www.ccwsm.org.uk

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What's On This Week

Saturday 8th June

Repair Café from 10am-12:30pm at Christ Church

Sunday 9th June

Families Together at 12noon in The Spire Centre

Deaf Church at 3pm at Emmanuel

Evening Prayer Service at 6pm at Christ Church

(Theme : *The General Election / Pray for the Nation*)

Monday 10th June

Ladies Together at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Tuesday 11th June

Parish Prayers at 9:30am at Emmanuel

The Beacon at 12noon at Emmanuel

Wednesday 12th June

Seedlings Toddler Group at 10:15 at Christ Church

Holy Communion at 10:30am at Emmanuel

Thursday 13th June

Craft & Chat at 2:30pm in The Spire Centre

Welcome Group at 2:30pm at Emmanuel

Saturday 15th June

Ambassador's Yeo Valley Outing from 10:30am

Open Garden from 2:30pm (*see programme for details*)

Notices

Nicky Unavailable

Please note that Nicky will be unavailable on Thursday 13th June.

Larissa Unavailable

Please note that Larissa will be unavailable from Friday 21st June til Sunday 23rd June inclusive.

Tom Unavailable

Please note that Tom will be unavailable from Saturday 22nd June til Tuesday 2nd July inclusive.

Verse For The Week

" 'But what about you?' he asked. 'Who do you say I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.' "

Matthew 16: 15-18

Coffee after the Service...

Celebration of Lay Ministries 2024

**Saturday 22nd June at 2pm
St Paul's Church**

The Celebration of Lay Ministries is an opportunity to give thanks for the gifts and many ministries of the laity; acknowledging the numerous ways each witnesses to God moving and working among us.

Bishop Michael will be joining the celebration to affirm and bless all those in lay ministry, acknowledging that each person is valued for who they are and what they bring, recognising that each of us has a distinctive voice and a unique contribution to make to our church and community.

The service is an open invitation to everyone across the Diocese to come and join the wonderful celebration.

To sign up online click [here](#)...

...or let Donna know and she will add you to the list.



Angie and her family would like to thank everyone...

...who attended or helped in any way at Ian's funeral service. It was a real celebration of his life and a great comfort to us as family to have you all there. God bless you.

Evening Prayer Service

Pray for the Nation

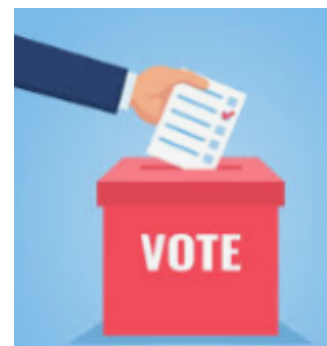
As we approach a General Election on July 4th, we ask all to join us on:

Sunday 9th June at 6pm

for an hour to pray for the nation.

Praying for:

- all those who are seeking election;
- all those with a vote to cast;
- ourselves as we seek to both follow Christ and vote for our future.



Please join us for this time of prayer.

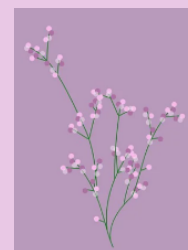
Ambassadors Women's Group

Visit to Yeo Valley Organic Garden
Saturday 15th June
(meeting 10:30am at reception)

Cost £7 payable on arrival
(RHS members get in free)

- introductory talk
- wander around the gardens
- cafe on site for coffees and/or lunches

Please sign-up on the sheet at the back of church and indicate if you can offer a lift or need a lift - if you can offer a lift please have a look at who needs a lift and organise yourselves if possible.



Open Garden

Next Open Garden:
Saturday 15th June
from 2:30pm-5pm

Please see Programme for host/address details.

