

Team Parish of Christ the King St Aidan's, Brunton Park

Sunday 7th July 2024 Trinity 6

In our Gospel reading, Jesus sends his disciples to proclaim the Kingdom of God, and he sends them with nothing but a staff. No bread to keep them fed, no money to buy the things they need, no bag to hold a backup plan. They go entirely trusting in God to provide. They go trusting that the word and works of God are enough to keep them, and are enough to make the Kingdom known. They go trusting in the kindness and receptiveness of strangers.

Do we trust the same today? Perhaps we often think that the work of God requires all sorts of baggage: preparation and training; resources to package it attractively; security and safety and comfort. Perhaps we often think that this work isn't for us because we're not equipped, whether with a theology degree, or a thousand followers on TikTok. But Jesus doesn't ask for any of that. He only asks that we trust God to provide. Perhaps we might have the courage to be sent as we are, and trust God for the rest.

2 Corinthians 12.2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows - was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Mark 6.7-13

He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

<u>TODAY</u>

9.30am: **Family Service** Rev'd Gerard Rundell and Rev Dr Hannah Malcolm lead our family service for Trinity 6

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon-Fri	8.50am, Church: Morning Prayer
Tues	5.30pm, Church: Musical Buds Student Concert
Wed	10.00am, Church: BCP Midweek Eucharist
Thurs	2.00pm, Community Room: Film Club - Fried Green Tomatoes at
	the Whistle Stop Café.
Sat	10.00am, Community Room: World Vision Coffee Morning
Sun	9.30am: Trinity 7 Rev'd Gerard Rundell and Mr Ken Newitt with
	readings from 2 Samuel 6.1-5,12b-19, Ephesians 1.3-14 and Mark
	6.14-29

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thurs 18th Jul	2.00pm: Friends Having Fun, Community Room
Sat 20 th Jul	11am: Kids Summer Celebration, St Aidan's
Thurs 25 th Jul	2.00pm: Chat and Craft, Community Room
Wed 31st	12pm: Reception Year Teddy Bear's Picnic, St Aidan's
	Green

NOTICES

SUNDAY SERVICE - today's service link is https://bit.ly/Trinity6StAidan2024

BIBLE STUDY GROUP –will continue with the study of the Acts of the Apostles on Monday 8th and 15th July before breaking for summer.

MUSICAL BUDS STUDENT CONCERT - is at St Aidan's Church on Tuesday 9 July at 5:30pm. Do come along to support the young Suzuki Recorder & Piano students, the more friendly faces in the audience the better! The concert ends c.6:15 & will be followed by bring & share refreshments. Entry is free, though donations are appreciated to help local disadvantaged children learn an instrument too:

https://www.musicalbuds.com/donate.html

FILM CLUB – will be showing Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café on Thursday 11th July. This certificate PG film runs for just over 2 hours and stars Kathy Bates and Jessica Tandy as the leading actors. It's a warm touching and amusing story about the importance of friendship. ilm Club on

WORLD VISION COFFEE MORNING – we will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday 13th July in aid of World Vision. Please come along to find out more about their important work, and Ivonia, our child sponsored through Saturday Café.

KIDS SUMMER CELELBRATION – On Saturday 20th July, 11am-1pm, as the schools break-up we are holding a family event to mark the start of the summer holidays. With our usual fun and games, story and food, please share this event with everyone you know who would like to come along.

ZOOM CODES – all our Zoom sessions will use only the following details: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7573778713?pwd=NGVjcTRLQjBEaStqYjFDSm1KOURtQT09 Meeting ID: 757 377 8713 Passcode: StAidan
BOOKING ZOOM MEETINGS: if you would like to use the St Aidan's Zoom account for a church meeting, please contact Janice
FOOD BANK – items placed in the food box will be donated to Kenton Foodbank.
PLANNED GIVING - If you would like to set up a regular financial gift to support St Aidan's please click on the following link https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/findyour-parish/brunton-park-st-aidan-newcastle-upon-tyne

For Our Prayers: St Aidan's Cycle of Prayer

For the church - St Nicholas' Cathedral. Churchwardens and all involved in looking after our building

For the community – Groups using our Community Room and the Community Centre

For the world – all countries facing hardship and conflict. For our own national and political life

For those being baptised – Ethan and Emilia

For those in need - Esther Wooler, Martin Seaton, Bill Yeaman, Sue Bates For those who have died – and on their anniversaries: Alison Bishop, Jackie Morley, Les Surtees, Freda Dunn, Caroline Waller, George Carson, Herbert Robson



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