HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON 15th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 25th September 2022

HYMN 1-207 - Praise to the Lord

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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. Amen

OT Reading - AMOS 6: 1a,4-7 - Mathilde

- ^{1a} Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
- ⁴Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall,
- ⁵ who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp

and like David improvise on instruments of music,

⁶ who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils

but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,

and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

PSALM 146 vv 1-10

Lauda, anima mea

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

- ² O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man: for there is no help in them.
- ³ For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth: and then all his thoughts perish.
- ⁴ Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help: and whose hope is in the Lord his God;
- ⁵ Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: who keepeth his promise for ever;
- ⁶ Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong: who feedeth the hungry.
- ⁷ The Lord looseth men out of prison: the Lord giveth sight to the blind.
- ⁸ The Lord helpeth them that are fallen: the Lord careth for the righteous.
- ⁹ The Lord careth for the strangers, he defendeth the fatherless and widow: as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.
- ¹⁰ The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore: and throughout all generations.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

NT Reading - 1 Timothy 6: 6-19 - Sue

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, 8 but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. 9 But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be

haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Hymn 2: HHS 82– God is our strength and refuge

Gospel - Luke 16: 19-31 - James

¹⁹ "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side] ²⁴ He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross

from there to us.' ²⁷ He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰ He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' ³¹ He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

INTERCESSIONS - Christine

We Pray Especially This Week:

- For the Royal Family
- For the people of Ukraine

We Pray for those Unwell in Body, Mind or Spirit:

Barbara G, Margaret L, Janine H, Janet & John J, Stephen Mc, Geraldine, Sandra, Kat's sister Christine, Jean, Sarah's mother Fedora, Veronica F's friend, Matt, Tabitha's aunt, Brenda, Stephanie, Cyril, Minnie, Alexander, Cousin Zen, all at 44 Kimberley Road & Christopher, Miriam, Denise M, Ernestine, Simon & Samantha, Girish, Pat & Enid, Bridget, Adrian, Ron and all those we know and love

ਊ We pray for the souls of Janet Titus, Mary Simpson, Avril Ward,

*May light perpetual shine upon them, May they rest in peace And rise in Glory We pray for those who are mourning

We Give Thanks and Praise:

- For volunteers in hospitals
- For God in our life today and always

A Prayer during Interregnum

Heavenly Father, During our
Interregnum period We call on you for
guidance, vision and renewed hope. As
we seek a new incumbent oh Lord, We
ask for someone who will be filled with
Godly love Faithful in prayer and be
prepared to serve you with joy. May the
work that they do impact positively on
Holy Saviour and the wider community.
As we pray and wait faithfully, help us to
remember that the plans you have for us
are not filled with harm, but give us that
reassurance of a future filled with hope.
Thank you oh Lord for continuing on this
journey with us.

AMEN

Offertory Hymn: 125 – O for a thousand tongues

Communion Hymns 247— I heard the voice of Jesus say HHS 63 — Make me a channel

Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,

keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymn 6: 212– Who would true valour see

NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Please stay at home if you have cold or flu-like symptoms.

Today 10.00am-11.15am – Holy Communion Service – Trinity 15

Revd Ada presiding and Reader James preaching + Sunday school

Tues 27 Sept Night Prayer and Meditation, led by Christine and Craig

Weds 28 Sept 10am-10.45am Midweek Service in church

Thurs 29 Sept 7pm – PCC Meeting?

No Bible Study – returns 6 October

Sat 1 Oct 10.00am – Prayers for Healing and Wholeness in church

10.30am-11.30am Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms

(Christenings), Weddings and hall bookings

Sun 2 Oct 10am-11.15am – Holy Communion Service – Harvest Festival

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt

"If a free society cannot help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich.

[Inaugural Address, January 20 1961]"

John F. Kennedy

"There are people in the world so hungry, that God cannot appear to them except in the form of bread."

— Mahatma Gandhi

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