

# HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH CROYDON

## Second Sunday of Epiphany

15<sup>th</sup> January 2023

### **HYMN 1: 53 – Songs of thankfulness**

#### ***COLLECT FOR THE DAY***

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by  
the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
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**

#### ***OLD TESTAMENT READING – Sue*** **Isaiah 49: 1-7**

Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The Lord called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he  
named me. <sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a  
sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he  
hid me; he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified." <sup>4</sup> But I  
said, "I have laboured in vain, I have spent  
my strength for nothing and vanity; yet  
surely my cause is with the Lord, and my  
reward with my God." <sup>5</sup> And now the Lord  
says, who formed me in the womb to be  
his servant, to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength—  
<sup>6</sup> he says, "It is too light a thing that you  
should be my servant to raise up the

tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors  
of Israel; I will give you as a light to the  
nations, that my salvation may reach to the  
end of the earth." <sup>7</sup> Thus says the Lord,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the  
nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see  
and stand up, princes, and they shall  
prostrate themselves, because of the Lord,  
who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who  
has chosen you."

#### ***Psalms 40 vv 1-12***

#### ***Expectans expectavi***

I waited patiently for the Lord: and he  
inclined unto me, and heard my calling.  
<sup>2</sup> He brought me also out of the horrible pit,  
out of the mire and clay: and set my feet  
upon the rock, and ordered my goings.  
<sup>3</sup> And he hath put a new song in my mouth:  
even a thanksgiving unto our God.  
<sup>4</sup> Many shall see it, and fear: and shall put  
their trust in the Lord.  
<sup>5</sup> Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in  
the Lord: and turned not unto the proud,  
and to such as go about with lies.  
<sup>6</sup> O Lord my God, great are the wondrous  
works which thou hast done, like as be also  
thy thoughts which are to us-ward: and yet  
there is no man that ordereth them unto  
thee.  
<sup>7</sup> If I should declare them, and speak of  
them: they should be more than I am able to  
express.  
<sup>8</sup> Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest  
not: but mine ears hast thou opened.

<sup>9</sup> Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required: then said I, Lo, I come,  
<sup>10</sup> In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God: I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

<sup>11</sup> I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

<sup>12</sup> I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.

***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***

**NEW TESTAMENT READING – Sheri –  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— <sup>6</sup> just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup> so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Hymn 2: 509 – Rise and hear the Lord is speaking**

**GOSPEL READING – John 1:29-42 Mitzi**

<sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup> And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” <sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup> He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

## **INTERCESSIONS – Marie**

### **We Pray Especially This Week:**

- *For those affected by flooding across the world*
- *For our PCC meeting on Thursday*

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

*Trudy's sister Sally, Tracey Nash, Rev Peter's wife Jennifer, Brandon, Claudine, Billy's Uncle Richard, 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*

*✠ We pray for the souls of Rose's brother and Lorraine Cresswell*  
*✠ May light perpetual shine upon them May they Rest in Peace*

***And rise in glory***

### **We Give Thanks and Praise:**

- *For Rev Ada and all the clergy who have helped during interregnum*
- *For our friends and families*

## **Prayer for our new Incumbent**

Heavenly Father, we joyfully thank you for answering our prayers. With the appointment of our new incumbent, Revd Tomos Reed, we are now beginning a new stage of our journey. Help us to be united in support, as we extend a warm and godly welcome. Keep your call fresh in his heart and constantly renew his spirit as he prepares for the work within the church and the wider community. Strengthen and guide him too for the challenges that lie ahead. Lord, as we rely on you, we have that re-assurance knowing that we have a future filled with hope.

**Amen**

**Offertory Hymn:48– Earth has many a noble city**

**Communion Hymns.**

**249 – Take my Life**

**431 – We have a Gospel to proclaim**

**Post Communion Prayer**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Hymn 6: 459- Give me joy in my heart**

## NOTICES FOR THE COMING WEEK

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

<b>Today</b>	<b>10.00am-11.15am</b> – Holy Communion Service – Second Sunday of Epiphany. Revd Ada presiding and preaching
<b>Tues 17 Jan</b>	7.30pm-8.30pm – Zoom Night Prayer with mindfulness and meditation back again after the Christmas break
<b>Weds 18 Jan</b>	<b>10am-10.45am</b> Midweek Service in church
<b>Thurs 19 Jan</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b> – PCC Meeting in the hall
<b>Sat 21 Jan</b>	<b>10am-10.30am</b> Prayer for Healing and Wholeness <b>10.30am-11.30am</b> Holy Dusters & Parish Office for baptisms (Christenings), Weddings and all bookings
<b>Sun 22 Jan</b>	<b>10am-11.15am</b> – Epiphany 3 – Revd Peter Jones presiding and preaching

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### **THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK**

*“Sometimes we get stuck in patterns or reoccurring themes in our lives that require a shocking epiphany to give us the opportunity to see new possibilities and notice the obstacles that keep us from moving on.”*

— **Kat Lahr, Anatomy Of Illumination**

*“There's nothing better when something comes and hits you and you think 'YES!'”*

— **J.K. Rowling**

*Would you go with Jesus if he came calling for **you** to leave your home and family?*

**Anon**

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### **Next Sunday's Readings – Epiphany 3**

*Isaiah 9– vv 1-4*

*1 Corinthians 1–1.-18*

*Matthew 4 – vv 12-23*

*Psalm 27 – vv 1,4-12*

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