



St Alphege Church
Sunday 20th September
The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

A WARM WELCOME to St. Alphege.

Morning readings: Jonah 3.10-4.11, Philippians 1.21-end, Matthew 20.1-6

8.00am Said Eucharist

President: Revd Simon Marshall and Preacher: Suzette Maguire

9.30am Journey Service

Part 1 in Church: Eucharist – President: Revd Simon Marshall

Part 2 in Church: Revd Simon Marshall and Ben Yates

10.15-11.00am – Refreshments IN CHURCH

11.00am Choral Eucharist



President: Revd Roy Murray and Preacher: Suzette Maguire

Readers(s): (OT) Sally Herd (NT) Elaine Diskin

Intercessor: David Sturdee

Music led Senior Choristers, Ladies and Back Row

Setting: Mass in G - Schubert

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord alway – Anon./Redford

Voluntary: Postlude in D - Dyson

Psalm:

145.1-8

Hymns:

362

439 (t2 omit*)

297

368

5.00pm Taizé Evening Prayer

Officiant: Ben Yates

Readings: Isaiah 33.13-17, Matthew 6.19-end

Hymns:

Sheet

758

768

761

791

THIS WEEK

Mon 21	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Tues 22	10.00am	St Alphege Prayer Group (OBH)
	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice
Weds 23	8.30am	Open the Book – Bread from Heaven
	9.30am	Junior Welcome Eucharist
	1.10pm	Lunchtime Recital – Frank Stubbs and Darren Hogg (trumpet and piano/ organ)
Thurs 24	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Said Eucharist
Fri 25	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Sat 26	9.30am	Robert B Smith Trophy, Striking Competition

BIBLE READING: Jonah 3.10-4.11

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'

But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

BIBLE READING: Philippians 1.21-end

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

GOSPEL: Matthew 20.1-6

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?"

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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.

SHORTER COLLECT

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK PRAY FOR

Monday	For all churches dedicated to St. Matthew
Tuesday	For the Guardians of St. Alphege Church
Wednesday	For those preparing for Michaelmas Ordinations
Thursday	For the District Wardens and DCCs
Friday	For preachers and spiritual writers

THOSE IN NEED

Pearl Hampson, Duncan & Ruth, Kay Woodward, Nigel Vian, Philip Tew, Leslie Dixon,
Dorothy Newbery, Suzette Maguire, Stephen Foster, Malcolm Owens, Rosemary Owens,
Gerald Blackburn, Louis Jolly, Jonathan Chandler, Anne Lawrence, Pauline Davitt, Alan Hobbs,
Ronald Herd, Beryl Boulter, June Cobbett, John Smith, Ella, and David Roots.

PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Mary Copey, Maureen Taylor, Michael Harman Goodwin, Marion Gunn, Joyce Bumstead and
Jean Barrington.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

Reginald Bernard Aston, Sue Hewitt, Nigel Paul Ladbrooke, Tony Marshall, Colin Pittaway, and
Alice Shirley.

NEXT WEEK: Sunday 27th September – The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

Morning readings: Ezekiel 18.1-4, 25-end, Philipians 2.1-13, Matthew 21.23-32

Services: 8.00am Said Eucharist – President: Revd Nick Parker and Preacher:
Compassion UK, Nev Willerton

9.30am Journey Service
Part 1 in Church: Eucharist - Revd Susan Chandler
Part 2 in Church: Revd Susan Chandler and Ben Yates

11.00am Sung Eucharist – President: Revd Susan Chandler and Preacher:
Compassion UK, Nev Willerton

5.00pm Evensong – Officiant: Michael Smith and Preacher: Revd Roy Murray

Evening Readings: Daniel 10.4-end, Revelation ch5

NOTICES (send any notices to pewslip@solihullparish.org.uk by 10am on Wednesdays)

Today: We will be providing drinks and nibbles after the 11am service at the back of church. Please do join us.

Oliver Bird Hall Car Park - Please be aware that the car park cameras operated by UKPS are always in operation. Regular users should obtain and use the appropriate parking permit. All visitors must register their vehicle registration number using either the registration tablet or the QR code located in church or OBH.

Wednesday Lunchtime Recital – 23rd September - Frank Stubbs and Darren Hogg (trumpet and piano/ organ.). Refreshments are available from 12.30pm with the performance at 1.10pm. All are welcome – admission free, retiring collection.

Wellbeing Wednesday will be hosting a MacMillan coffee morning, on Friday 25th September, 10-12 noon at the Greville Arms, Cornyx Lane. All welcome - and donations of cakes gratefully received.

We will be hosting the Robert B Smith Bellringing Trophy next Saturday 26 September, welcoming around 80 visiting bell ringers for a full day of a ringing competition. The church will be bustling, with teams ringing from late morning into the afternoon, we'll be raising funds for churchyard improvements and our bell fund.

Prayer and Anointing for Healing - We aim to offer this ministry each week at the conclusion of the 11am service from St. Antony's Chapel. You may wish to share details of your concern with the priest but there is no obligation to do so. You are also welcome to ask for prayer on behalf of others.

Baptism and Confirmation - We look forward to welcoming Bishop Esther as confirming bishop for our Confirmation service on Sunday 18th October at 5pm. Please contact the parish office if you would like to be baptised and/or confirmed.

Could you help with Collective Worship - We're looking for volunteers to help support our infant school children during Collective Worship in church on Wednesday mornings in term time. If you could help occasionally or regularly, we'd love to hear from you. Please speak to Ben Yates.

Photography and Video recording - Whilst visitors are very welcome to take photos and video of the church, we respectfully ask that photos and video are not taken within services without permission, and that any images which include people have their permission. Thank you.



Donations: To make a regular donation please contact the Stewardship Secretary, Frank Upton on 0121 705 2963.

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