



LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

_Amos 5.6-7,10-15; Psalm 90.12-17; Hebrews 4.12-16; **Mark 10.17-31**

...AND NEXT

Isaiah 53.4-12; Psalm 91.1-2,9-16; Hebrews 5.1-10; **Mark 10.35-45**

“I HAVE ENGRAVED YOUR NAME ON THE PALM OF MY HAND”

We continue to hold in our prayers and thoughts.... **Gladys, Ethel, Ann Watson, Phil & Bridget, Claire, Tracey, Melanie & Riley, Joan** (in Scotland) **Ingrid, Valerie, Revd Stephen & Ruth, Rosemary, Anne Whittaker** and for all who have lost loved ones.

We continue to pray for the family of Karin Doxey who as recently passed away.

Pray for Wirksworth Memory Café which resumes on Monday afternoon (11th) at The Maltings.

As the rollout of Covid booster vaccinations begins in the UK we continue to pray for vaccine equality worldwide and the work of agencies such as COVAX to achieve this.

Give thanks for the success of the Wirksworth Eco-Fayre, and as we approach COP26 in November we remember all preparing for this important conference. If you haven't already done so, please consider joining the Christian Aid Prayer Chain for Climate Justice: <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/prayer-chain>

Prayer Zone: We will meet again on Tuesday 12th at 9.30 a.m. using our **new** Zoom connection: <https://zoom.us/j/6241909980>

Annexe Prayer: Please do continue to pray as the building takes shape – there are some pointers on our website, click *The Annexe Progress* button.

Foodbank: There is a collection box in St Mary's (accessed via the north door) and if you're able to help with packing, usually on a rota of every 3-4 weeks, please contact Sue Todd: se.todd@btinternet.com

WELLSPRING

10th October

Minister: Revd Kevin Price 01629 823020

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Zoom Room: <https://zoom.us/j/6241909980>

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TIME SETTING



“A thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.”

[Psalm 90:4 - NRSV]

*‘This day be within and without me,
lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak;
in the mouth of each who speaks unto me.’
[Northumbria Community - from St Patrick's breastplate]*

Back to the future

Last weekend I went back to Lancaster to join some friends whom Lesley and I had first met 40 years ago when we went to university. We revisited some of our old haunts, including Morecambe where we had lived for our second year. In Lancaster we were delighted to find a favourite pizza restaurant still going strong; but on campus we discovered much had changed. My college, Cartmel, had relocated to the other end of the university, the 1960s accommodation blocks in which I lived demolished and replaced with more modern buildings - and the whole place was about twice the size it was 'in our day'. Thankfully it had been designed for growth.

Then there was our church, 'St Tees': cutting edge in the 1980s, it too had moved on in style and presentation (we didn't know any of the worship songs)... but it was full of younger people and families.

This all made me think: what was our Wood Street chapel like in 1981? Its stones and people have embraced much change over 40 years, and now we're on the cusp of significant change as the Annexe nears completion. We can't go back (like the film of the 1980s) we can only embrace the future, and we will grow.

Let's get ready

Kevin

Coming Up

- 23 Oct Away Day to focus on Wellspring 2022 – all welcome
- 30 Oct Christian Aid paper boats at Wellspring
- 1 Nov CTWD Day of Prayer for COP26 at St Mary's 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
- 14 Nov Remembrance Day service and parade at St Mary's and the Memorial Garden
- 20 Nov Wellspring Annual Congregational Meeting – 10.30 a.m. at the URC chapel

Wellspring@Cromford – Sunday Services at 10.30 a.m.

- Oct 10th Revd Kevin Price
- Oct 17th Revd Kevin Price
- Oct 24th Dudley Pickston & the Gibraltar Club
- Oct 31st Barbara Wilson

Paul's website storie: From next week there will (with Dave Butlin's tech help) begin to be new stories appearing on our website every so often until the end of the year. The link will appear on each occasion.

Shoebboxes: Link to Hope shoebox leaflets are available at Cromford Methodist Church. Do help yourself. A leaflet explains what to do. Boxes should be returned there by Sunday 31st October please.

SAME STORM. DIFFERENT BOATS. The climate crisis is a storm that affects us all, **BUT WE'RE NOT ALL IN THE SAME BOAT.**

On behalf of Christian Aid, you are invited to fold as many origami boats as you wish, using A4/A5 scrap paper and the following design link–

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/sites/default/files/2021-07/J244337%20YCCN%20activity%20pack%20AW.pdf>

Please write a message or prayer and return to COP26 @ PO Box 100, LONDON SE1 7RT by Fri 15th Oct or deliver your Boat to Watts House 2, Derby Rd, Wirksworth, by Saturday 30th Oct.

The Charities Fayre is planned to take place in the Memorial Hall on Saturday November 13th from 10am – 12noon. Wellspring would like to have our usual stall with Christmas in mind! Please contact Barbara or Sue if you are able to donate any items – or wish to help on the day!

Trustees' Election: Two of our current elected Trustees, Jenny Few and David Hughes, will be standing down at this year's ACM which means we will have **three** vacancies, and an election will be held at the November meeting. With their consent, church members may be nominated by other members. Nomination forms, which will be available from Barbara Wilson, must be returned to her by Saturday 30th October. Please give this matter your prayerful consideration.

Away Day - 23rd October: Imagine how our new facilities will look when we reopen in January? Now imagine how *Wellspring* will look... we have a wonderful opportunity to reimagine church so have set aside a day to meet, chat and pray about this at Tansley Methodist Church on Saturday 23rd October from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. All are welcome, and lifts can be provided if you speak to one of the Trustees.

Please send items for inclusion in next week's news letter by Tuesday October 12th to barbarawilson3579@gmail.com

