

Trinity News

Sunday 17th, 24th & 31st
October 2021



Mark 10 v 46-52

When it's gone its gone. It is now or never. By Peter Baker

How many times have we read or heard these two phrases? Usually, they are voiced by someone trying to get us to do or purchase something. They implore us to act sooner rather than later without a thought to the consequence or the cost. Invariably here will be a cost that could be a saving, if only we needed what was being offered. However, there will be those times where if we take up what is offered, we may receive a great benefit

Mark 10 v 46.52 is the well-known story of Blind Bartimaeus. In this passage Bartimaeus seizes his moment and captures the attention of Jesus. He is sitting begging on the road to Jerusalem blind to all around him, yet he knows about Jesus and in his now or never moment cries out and as the gospel tells us he was healed by his faith.

Bartimaeus took his chance when it came before it was gone. What did he do with his newfound sight? Mark 10 v52 says At once he was able to see and followed Jesus on the road. That road was the road to Jerusalem and to the cross.

On the road of our faith journey, we too will have many such moments. Some may well be too good to be true a distraction designed to move us off that path. however, if we keep our focus on the cross of Jesus, then like Bartimaeus we too can follow in the footsteps of our Lord on the road to eternal life.

Sunday 17th October

Ordinary29

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by
9.15am	There is no Early Church today	
10.30am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung
4.00pm	Messy Church Extra	Tasha Williams and Richard Bates (please see page 7 for details)
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom (for Zoom link please see page 6)	Local Arrangement

Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Wednesday 20th October	3pm	Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship Group led by the Horsefields. Please see page 8 for details.
Thursday 21st October	2.15pm	Knit and Natter. Please see page 8 for details.

Sunday 24th October 2021

Ordinary 30

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by
9.15am	Early Church	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung
10.30am	Morning Worship	Roger Owers
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom (for Zoom link please see page 6)	Rev. Joanne Sherwood

Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Wednesday 27th October	3.30-5pm	Messy Meet Up—Come and join us for a relaxed get together with light refreshments, games and crafts. Contact Tasha Williams for more information or to offer help.
Wednesday 27th October	2pm	Afternoon Bible Study on Zoom (for Zoom link please see page 5)
	8pm	Evening Bible Study on Zoom (for Zoom link please see page 5)

Sunday 31st October 2021

Ordinary 31

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by
9.15am	Early Church	Jo Baker
10.30am	Morning Worship	Ivor Mitchelmore
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom (for Zoom link please see page 6)	Rev. Nina Johnson

Activities during this week at Trinity

Date	Time	What?
Thursday 4th November	2.15pm	Knit and Knatter

Sunday 7th November 2021

Ordinary 32

Time	Service (at Trinity unless stated otherwise)	Led by
9.15am	Early Church	Catherine Roots
10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev. Seung-Wook Jung
6.00pm	Evening Worship on Zoom (for Zoom link please see page 6)	Rev Dr Ebute Obiabo

Zoom Links

Sunday Evening Worship

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/93984169282?](https://zoom.us/j/93984169282?pwd=MXR4YU85aG9JdzhyQjZQTzFWLzlxQT09)

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Meeting ID: 939 8416 9282

Passcode: 699189

Dial by your location

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Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study 2pm

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/92877340921?](https://zoom.us/j/92877340921?pwd=Y2x3MUdTeFpWT0YvenUxMXZDNTArdz09)

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Meeting ID: 928 7734 0921 Passcode: 869411

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 8pm

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/97662553267?](https://zoom.us/j/97662553267?pwd=ektDbjZ4VkVxdVNxUWp2cUxtb3dIU09)

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Meeting ID: 976 6255 3267 Passcode: 873153

Trinity Notices

Seung-Wook's re-appointment

We are very pleased to announce that South Beds Circuit voted unanimously to extend Seung-Wook's appointment for a further 5 years from 2022-2027 at its meeting on 16 September. Please pray for him as he leads us forward into a post pandemic world. (Apologies for the delay in publishing this announcement)

Anne Gray, Leadership Team

Messy Church Extra

On Sundays 17th October and 21st November at 4pm we will be trialling a new initiative—Messy Church Extra. It is for everyone! There will be an interactive time of celebration, followed by jacket potatoes and filling. If you are able to let Tasha know you are coming, that would be helpful, but not essential.

Clearing the Stage

The Property Committee is hiring a skip to take away all the unwanted items that they can find, especially those on the stage. If you have anything you want to claim before it is removed, please do so as soon as possible. The skip is expected to be removed during the last week of October. Volunteers are needed to help with the clearing of the stage and filling of the skip. All offers of help to any of the Property Committee.

Thank you, Tim Hitchcock

Thanksgiving Service

When we held Ken Gregory's funeral, we were only able to invite a limited number of people and were unable to sing. Ken loved to sing, so we are celebrating his life with a Thanksgiving Service at Trinity Methodist Church on Saturday 23rd October at 3.30pm. This will be followed by light refreshments. If you are able to come along you will be most welcome. From Joan Gregory.

Church Directory

The 2021 Church Directory will be ready and available for collection on Sundays 24th & 31st October. They will be name labelled so please look for your own. There will be a sheet alongside them which you are asked to write your name beside your own when you have taken it and also if you are taking anyone else's for delivery so we can trace who has taken/received them.

For this directory, due to a number of changes, the names of pastoral friends and links are not included. People will continue to be supported by their pastoral friends and links. If anyone needs information, or has a particular concern, please contact Sue Horsefield or Patience Owers.

Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship Group

The Wednesday afternoon fellowship group run by the Horsefields will resume on Wednesday, 20th October at 3pm in the Chatteris Suite. We meet together for fellowship, bible study and refreshments. As there is now regular zoom bible study on Wednesdays, we plan to meet monthly. Old and new members of the group are all welcome. Speak to Sue or Charles for further information.

Knit and Natter

The Sewing Circle will resume fortnightly on Thursday October 21 at 2.15pm in the Chatteris Suite under a new name, Knit and Natter. Bring whatever craft work you prefer, or just come for a chat and a cup of tea.

Badminton

Please could you put in a note in the next Notices that, if anyone is interested in playing Badminton, we have a session every Monday at 8-10pm in the Church Hall. We don't teach and it is more a chance of a bit of exercise and social gathering than very serious

sport!

The charge is £3 per evening. Please contact Jan Cornfoot on 1525 373697, if interested.

A Service in Remembrance of Loved Ones

On Remembrance Sunday this year (14th November) Trinity Methodist Church will hold a service dedicated to the memory of those people in Leighton Buzzard, Linslade, and surrounding villages, who have passed away in the last two years.

The service will commence at 3 p.m. and will be conducted by the Reverend Seung-Wook Jung.

All are welcome, irrespective of faith, religion or denomination.

For further details, please contact:

Tasha Williams at the Trinity office.

Are you able to help?

Ann Guy will shortly begin preparing the rotas for duties to be carried out at Trinity services in the quarter December to February. This includes the following roles:

- Second steward to assist the main steward in setting up the 10.30 service
- Door stewards
- Offertory counters
- Operation of the audio/visual desk (training will be provided)

A number of people who used to carry out these roles stood down during the Covid crisis but may now be willing to return. If so, would you please let Ann know as soon as possible so that she can include you in the next rota.

If you have not carried out any of these roles before but feel that you can now help - please also contact Ann.

September Collections

The amount given to Trinity during September was £5,286.95. In addition we budget income equivalent to £1,125 per month from

gift aid. The amount required in income to balance our books is £6,620 per month.

Review of Giving

It has been wonderful to receive the financial support of many of our members during the Covid crisis. As we start to return to normal, it is clear that even this wonderful level of giving will not be sufficient to meet our outgoings in the longer term.

If you have not reviewed your giving in the past year or two would you please consider whether you are able to do so now?

Anticipating Christmas

The first Sunday in Advent, 28 November, is a Local Arrangement for the 10.30am service and I am hoping to arrange a service in which the congregation plays an active part. It will include your poems, readings, prayers, hymns and carols together with other music, or pictures, anything that speaks to you of the wonder, awe and love of the Christmas period. If you feel able to speak about the reasons for your choice with the rest of the congregation that would be wonderful, however, this is not a requirement!

Please speak to Ann Guy for more information.

Circuit News

Below is the link to the play list for the Circuit Service held on 26 September. where following its acceptance by the Circuit Meeting, the Circuit held a service to receive and commit to the Racial Justice Strategy.

The preacher was Rev. Inderjit Bhogal, ex-president of Conference.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T_kSyeOgDFs&list=PLuuUE0pD6bvuu2Gf4TPfdyoZGB79P2BzD&index=2)

[v=T_kSyeOgDFs&list=PLuuUE0pD6bvuu2Gf4TPfdyoZGB79P2BzD&index=2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T_kSyeOgDFs&list=PLuuUE0pD6bvuu2Gf4TPfdyoZGB79P2BzD&index=2)

Public Issues (from Charles Horsefield)

Huge numbers of cans and other items were donated at our Harvest Festival and Rosie who runs the Foodbank at the Black Horse has written to say thanks;-

“To all who contributed, organised and delivered donations gathered at your recent Harvest Festival—a huge thank you.

Leighton Linslade Community Foodbank could not provide help to people in need, without your support.

We are extremely grateful for the generosity of the members of **Trinity Methodist Church, Leighton Buzzard.**”

(Please see the poster on the community board in the hallway)

Climate change is a very hot topic at present and a public event at 10.20am at All Saints on Saturday will suggest actions for the town to take in the light of the Council's decision to pursue a carbon reduction target. Perhaps we could set a target for carbon reduction at Trinity? And at home - Cilla has written to remind us that our beautiful trees are playing a vital part in our battle against climate change. We are encouraged to protect them and where possible to plant more - even small gardens can accommodate smaller varieties.

At this time of year many trees are displaying glowing colours and gardeners have the job of gathering up fallen leaves. If you don't have a garden compost bin, leaves can be piled in a hidden corner and left to slowly break down into leaf mould which can be used to enrich the soil. Fallen leaves on our lawns can be picked up with grass cuttings when mowing and the resulting mixture used as a mulch around plants. Whilst fallen leaves on borders can be left to protect plants during the winter months and provide shelter for wild life.

Prayer Diary

God of life, Help us to see that your gifts are meant to be shared by all, not just exploited by a few. Lead us to take action to make a change not just for ourselves, but for all creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Adapted from the Global Catholic Climate Movement.

Please pray for....

- Those who are leading and preaching at Trinity over the coming weeks.
- Trinity members preaching around the Circuit: Rev Wallace Edwards, Catherine Roots, Peter Baker, Roger Owers
- Events at Trinity and around the South Bedfordshire Circuit over the coming weeks.
- **People who live on:** Wing Road, New Road, Church Road, Vicarage Road, Ship Road, The Wharf
- **People who lead and attend** the Finance Committee
- **People in our Church Directories** who's surname begins with T
- **Children, parents and staff** at Aristotots Nursery School
- **For the world around us** particularly those preparing for COP26 and working on the policies and actions surrounding this.

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