

Sunday 13th July 2025

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The Fourth Sunday After Trinity

You are most welcome.

A message to new visitors is found on page 3. Our 10:30am order of service begins on page 5.



Celebrant: The Rector

10:30am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship)

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Setting: 'A People's Mass', Anthony Gregory Murray

with Coventry Gloria, Moger Alleluia - Ordinary Time 4

Hymns: 364, 393, 374, 490

Music at Communion:

'A new commandment' Richard Shephard 'O Lord, my God, to thee' Jacques Arcadelt

Postlude: "Te Deum" Jean Langlais



For your prayers

At This Time Gillian Kullman, Jennie Frampton, Lindsay Gorringe, Chris

Pratt, Dorothy Blyth, HM The King, the bereaved, and those

suffering during warfare.

Recently Departed René Brunet, Stuart Barber, Keith Simpson

Year's Mind Roger Rook, Sybil Kate Thompson, Iris Frost, Gladys Joan

Butcher, Sylvia Roy, Antony Copley, Ann Shirley Enever, Ann

Roberts, Thomas Patrick Hart



Reflection for the week

The Reverend Doctor Jeanne Males

There was a piece on 'Thought for L the Day' this morning about the recitation of poetry from memory by children – it was a competition. It took me back - not the competition, but just the recitation skills. I think I can remember one or two sections of poems quite clearly. And it made me think of another set of skills possessed by young children – that of making drawings of some of the well-loved and well-known parables. I think that the Good Samaritan might win the day. It provides good material for illustration, as the injured man is placed on the Samaritan's donkey so that he can get to a place of safety.

Many may know that my first career was that of a psychologist. When I started out it was commonly thought that psychologists could read minds, and I was often told that. I usually corrected that misconception, but sometimes I used it. Once in dispute with the CEO of the place where I worked, I just simply said "Don't forget I can read minds". From the look on his face, I think he truly believed that I might win the dispute in which we were engaged. In fact, as undergraduates, we spent a great deal of time studying very many aspects of human behaviour. Far from studying people's minds alone, you might say that we were attempting to study the 'heart, the soul and the strength' as well. In other words, we tried to discover the whole picture of what a person is about and then how to work with them.

And from Jesus today we are reminded that we should also love God in all these ways – and that then

it is our task to love our neighbours as ourselves.

And finally, at the time of the visit of President Macron to the UK we discover something about mercy. 'Who was the neighbour in the parable? – the one who showed the man mercy.'

In French 'mercy' - from that we derive the word 'thanks'

Thanks be to God for all that we receive.

New to St Clements?

Welcome! We're delighted that you're here

There has been a place of Christian prayer on this site for more than 1,000 years. All are welcome at our services - whatever your background and whatever your faith.

Many of the words of our service can be found from page five of this booklet. Feel free to join in with the words in bold, and to stand, kneel, or sit as you feel able and comfortable. Don't worry about getting it 'right', we're all learning to pray!

The service will start with notices and a hymn. We then bring to mind the times we've not loved God, our neighbours, and ourselves fully. Though it can be uncomfortable admitting we are sinners, we want to be honest with God (and ourselves) that we're not perfect. We can trust that God is utterly loving and forgiving.

A series of readings from scripture follows, and then the sermon, in which the preacher attempts to break open the scriptures and apply them to our lives today.

We pray for the needs of the Church and world, and then the altar is prepared. Our collection is gathered before the service, for the work of St Clement's, and offered up to God at this point. You can still donate, if you wish, on the way out of church - the giving station is to the left of the porch.

The priest leads the Eucharistic Prayer - the prayer of thanksgiving - during which we offer bread and wine to God, and He transforms it into the Body and Blood of Christ.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion (it's fine to only receive the Body or Blood if you prefer. For reasons of hygiene please don't dip the wafer into the chalice). Or do come forward holding this booklet to receive a blessing. If you need a gluten-free wafer please let someone at the door know before the service.

We share refreshments in the Sunley Room (accessed up the ramp behind the organ), and you are most welcome to stay. Toilets may also be found here.

The Church is open daily for peace and prayer. If you'd like to know more about our worship or faith, do talk to people in the congregation or one of the priests. You can also visit our website, www. stclementschurchsandwich.org.uk

Music at 10:30am today

This morning the choir sings two I short anthems. The first is an unaccompanied setting of words from St John's Gospel - "A new commandment I give unto you" words from the Maundy Thursday story when Jesus predicted Peter's denial. The music is by Richard Shephard (1949-2021) who was a British composer, educator, and Director of Development Chamberlain of York Minster. Many years ago, we used to sing his Communion Setting here at St Clements each Sunday and known as the Addington Service (after the home of the Royal School of Church Music).

It is followed by a short anthem by the Franco-Flemish Renaissance composer Jacques Arcadelt (c1510-1568) - 'O Lord, my God to thee I lift up my soul'. With words taken from Psalms 25 and 26, it is really a prayer for strength. Arcadelt was known principally as a composer of madrigals – secular pieces for a small group of singers, but his work as a musician in Italy was very much centred around church music as he held positions in the papal choir at St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel. The words of this anthem are:-

O Lord, my God, to thee do I lift up my soul.

O Lord, in thee, in thee have I trusted. Let me not be ashamed, Let not my foes triumph over me.

O lead me in a plain path;

cast me not off, neither forsake me. Teach me thy way, Lord, Lead me, lead me in a plain path.

O hide not thy face, Hide not thy face far from me.

Lord God, Lord God, Hide not thy face far from me.

Amen.

In very great contrast the outgoing voluntary is the Te Deum by the blind French organist Jean Langlais (1907-1991). It is in three sections. The first presents short statements of the 4th-century hymn 'Te Deum Laudamus' (We praise Thee, O God), with brief but dramatic interjections from the full organ. These distant statements of the melody gradually become more focussed, reminiscent of a grand procession. The theme undergoes various metamorphoses through the undercurrent movement played by the left-hand which acts as a driving force, as if the Holy Spirit was moving alongside the procession through the Nave of the Gothic Basilique Ste-Clotilde Paris where Langlais was organist -a post he held for 43 years despite his disability. Owing to his blindness, Langlais's method of composition involved him thinking about the work in every detail over a long period, and only then writing it down in shorthand Braille. He would then dictate each note and its rhythmic value to an amanuensis (often his first wife Jeannette) to produce the full score.

Material from Common Worship included

Order of Service

The Gathering

Notices are given before the service. **Stand** for the opening hymn:

Hymn Number 364

In the name of the Father, and of

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant introduces a period of silence in which all call to mind their sins. **Kneel or sit**

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces the forgiveness of sins. All stand. The Gloria is sung, the congregation singing parts in bold.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. We worship you, glory in the highest, give you thanks, glory in the highest, praise you for your glory. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on **us.** You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer, **receive our prayer.**

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Amen. Amen.

The Celebrant introduces Collect with the words 'Let us pray' and a period of silence. Then Let us pray: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Iesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. All sit.

The Scriptures

Deuteronomy 30.9-14

And the Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

'This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Remain seated as the Choir sing Psalm 25 v1-10 Ad te, Domine, levavi

Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over

For all they that hope in thee shall not

be ashamed: but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Shew me thy ways, O Lord: and teach me thy paths.

Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me: for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies: and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

Gracious and righteous is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement: and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth: unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

For thy Name's sake, O Lord: be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.

Colossians 1. 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Iesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Hymn Number 393

Turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it moves to the centre of the nave. 'Alleluia' issung. The Lord be with you. And also with you. Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 10.25 37

A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take

care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend."

'Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.''This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

A sermon is preached.

The Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom

will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Intercessions & Peace

Kneel or sit to pray. The following response may be used: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer

At the end: Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Iesus Christ. Amen.

Stand for the Peace The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

As the altar is prepared, and the collection offered to God, we sing:

Hymn Number 374

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Celebrant prays over the offerings, and all respond Amen.

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Celebrant prays the Preface, leading into:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. *All kneel or sit*

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; through Jesus

Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. *All say boldly:* **Amen.**

Preparation for Communion

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Jesus, lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Holy Communion

Sidespeople will indicate when to move for Holy Communion. All who are baptised are welcome to receive Communion, or do bring this booklet with you to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing instead.

After all have received Holy Communion, Stand as the Celebrant says Let us pray: Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. All say Amen.

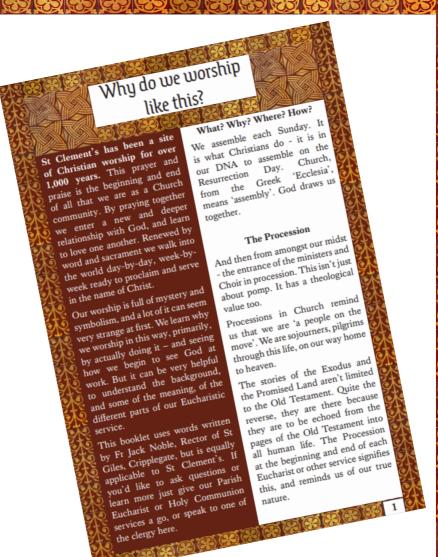
All say Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Hymn 490

The Lord be with you. And also with you. The Celebrant blesses and dismisses the congregation. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ, Amen!

The organ postlude is part of our act of worship, please remain quiet.

If you are able, do please stay for refreshments after the service - served from The Sunley Room (behind the organ)



The way we worship reveals much about what we believe about God and the world.

A reminder that 'Why do we worship like this?' is a booklet you may take away for free to study and reflect on how we worship (especially at the Parish Eucharist).

Area Foodbank Summer Collection

Our next quarterly collection will be next Sunday 20th July.

The Foodback continues to support people who have encountered an acute financial crisis by supplying food for three days, repeated if needed and encouraging, and if necessary, arranging advice for the applicant's particular problem. These problems usually involve a reduction in income because of a change in work hours, a change in benefits or debt.

This is different to the work of the Food Pantry where applicants become members so that they can obtain weekly groceries at reduced prices.

The Deal Foodbank supports people in Sandwich and the surrounding villages and also supports the Pantries in its area.

Summer holidays can be a challenging time for low-income families as there are no free school meals to help with healthy appetites. There will be lists of foods needed available in church and donations can be brought to church on the afternoon of Saturday 19th or to either of the services on Sunday 20th. St. Clements participated in the setting up of the Deal Foodbank and it will be good to demonstrate our continuing support.

And from Sandwich Food Pantry:

We would like to thank all who so generously give to the Sandwich Food Pantry, through weekly or occasional contributions to the basket in the north porch and also online with Standing Orders.

Your generosity means everything to us, and enables us to continue offering nutritious food to those in the immediate Sandwich area who are struggling with food costs. You are making a real difference to those in need. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Zoom Compline

Zoom Compline (arranged by Derek Kirkaldie, Reader) this week -Tuesday 15th July at 7.30pm, and fortnightly.

For more information see: www.stclementsandwich.org.uk/zoom-compline

Coffee Pot Summer Party

This Friday 18th July 10:00am-11:30am
Come together with friends and neighbours to enjoy strawberries and scones at the annual Coffee Pot summer party.

Parish Calendar

July			
Friday 18th July	10:00am- 11:30am	Coffee Pot Summer Party Scones and stawberries with good fellowship in the Church Hall	
Friday 18th - Monday 21st July		Ordinand on Placement Jack Carrington, who is in formation for the priesthood, will spend a long weekend wth St Clement's, to share in our worship and witness what we do together.	
Sunday 20th July		Foodbank Collection Items can be brought ot both the 8:00am and 10:30am services as we have one of our quarterly collections for the Food Bank	



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The week ahead

Monday 14th June - Feast of John Keble, P

Tuesday 15th July - Feast of St Swithun, B Et St Bonaventure, B, D

Wednesday 16th July - Feria

10:00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer, Requiem for Stuart Barber)

Thursday 17th July - The Martyrs of Compiègne

Friday 18th July - Feria

10:00am Coffee Pot Summer Party (Church Hall)

Saturday 19th July - Feast of Sts Gregory, B and Macrina, Deaconess, D

Sunday 20th July - The Fifth Sunday After Trinity

8:00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
10:30am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship)

Celebrant: The Rector Preacher: The Rector 12:45pm Baptism

Day	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 80,82 + Job 33	Ps 85,86 + Luke. 17.20-end
Tuesday	Ps 87,89.1-18 +Job 38	Ps 89.19-end + Luke 18.1-14
Wednesday	Ps 119.105-128 + Job 39	Ps 91,93 + Luke 18.15-30
Thursday	Ps 90,92 + Job 40	Ps94 + Luke 18.31-end
Friday	Ps 88, (95) +Job 41	Ps102 + Luke 19.1-10
Saturday	Ps 96,97,100 + Job 42	Ps104 + Luke 19.11-27

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