



# The Parish of Thorpe St Andrew

## Weekly Newsletter and Service Sheet *The Seventh Sunday after Trinity 18 July 2021*



### **Message from the Rector:**

#### ***Rescuing the sheep without a shepherd***

The holiday season is very rapidly approaching and certainly it is important that we get some time to rest and refresh ourselves in these strangest of times. As clergy we give advice to others, but sometimes it's hard to follow our own advice. Even though many are 'staycationing' there are still plenty of opportunities to take a break. Our schoolteachers have worked particularly hard in this pandemic and it is good for teachers and pupils alike that the school

holidays are soon upon us. Sunday's Gospel reading begins with the disciples returning from their first preaching mission. Jesus wants to know how things went, so it's time to sit back, have a meal, and share some stories. We call this retreat time! There is only one problem with this scenario—Jesus can't seem to get away by himself. Wherever he went, the crowds followed. The people were hurting and they were hungry (both for food and a word from God). They were, Mark reports, like sheep without a shepherd. Sheep without a shepherd can get lost in a hurry. They need herding. They need protecting. When Jesus sees the people he has compassion for them, and people responded to this by following him. He is the shepherd who heals and feeds the people who are in need, just like you and me. He welcomes all who come. He visited villages, cities, and farms. As he walked through marketplaces people laid the sick at his feet and begged him for permission to touch the fringe of his cloak. May Christ be our Good Shepherd and Healer today and every day. God bless you!

*Fr James*

# The Eucharist: Trinity 7

## Organ Voluntary

**Welcome** *Words of welcome are said.*

**Hymn** *The choir sing the hymn and the congregation sit.*

Love Divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
All thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
Pure unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

## The Greeting

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.**

## **Prayer of Preparation**

**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.**

## **Prayers of Penitence**

Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love with all the saints in earth and heaven. Knowing our unworthiness and sin, let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## **Absolution**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Gloria** *The choir sing the Gloria in excelsis*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. 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; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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 Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect**

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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** Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness." This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading** Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Alleluia, alleluia. Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life. **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat.

When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

### **The Admission of Churchwardens for 2021-2022**

*The Rector introduces this part of the service and then asks Andrew and John to come to the nave sanctuary step. He then asks these questions of them:*

**Rector** Andrew and John, will you undertake the duties of the office of Churchwarden for this year in the Parish of Thorpe St Andrew in the Archdeaconry of Norwich?

**Andrew/John** **I will.**

**Rector** Will you work with the clergy of your parish for the good of the Church and for the furtherance of God's Kingdom?

**Andrew/John** **I will.**

**Rector** Will you promote the safer recruitment of staff and volunteers and do all in your power to protect the vulnerable from harm?

**Andrew/John** **I will. I, Andrew Edward Hayden, and I, John Martyn Ward, of the Parish of Thorpe St Andrew, solemnly and sincerely declare before God and his people that I will faithfully and diligently discharge the duties of the office of Churchwarden for the parish of which I have been chosen, during the period of my appointment.**

**Rector** I, James Stewart, Rector of Thorpe St Andrew in the Archdeaconry of Norwich, by virtue of the authority committed to me, do admit you, Andrew Edward Hayden and you, John Martyn Ward, into the ancient and honourable office of Churchwarden. May the Lord give you grace for your office, and bless your going out and your coming in from this time forward and for evermore. **Amen.**

Eternal God, when you call your servants, you promise to give grace and strength for the task. Mercifully look upon Andrew and John whom you have called to the office and work of Churchwarden; that beginning their work in reverence,

following it through with obedience, and completing it in faithful devotion, Andrew and John may be constantly renewed by your Holy Spirit. This we ask in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve you and worship you now and always. **Amen.**

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The Rector and Churchwardens sign the Oath of Admission and the Rector then hands the churchwardens their staffs and they return to their seats.*

## **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.****

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*The response to the bidding* Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

*At the end* Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.**

## **The Peace**

Jesus said: 'Love one another. As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.' The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## **The Preparation of the Table**

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

**Hymn** *The choir sing and the congregation sit.*

The King of love my Shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
And he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul he leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow  
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love he sought me,  
And on his shoulder gently laid,  
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
Thy unction, grace bestoweth:  
And O what transport of delight  
From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness filth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
Within thy house for ever.

*At the end of the hymn these prayers are said.*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

*The choir sing* **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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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. So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Andrew and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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.**

**Breaking of the Bread** *The minister breaks the consecrated bread.*

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.**

**Agnus Dei** *The Agnus Dei is sung as the bread is broken.*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Jesus is 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.**

## **Giving of Communion**

*The communion is distributed. Baptised communicant members of any church are welcome to come and receive the bread alone. If you would like to receive a blessing please bring this service booklet with you, or keep your arms folded. A hymn is sung by the choir.*

## **Hymn**

Thy kingdom come, O God,  
Thy rule, O Christ, begin;  
Break with thy iron rod  
The tyrannies of sin.

Where is thy reign of peace  
And purity and love?  
When shall all hatred cease,  
As in the realms above?

When comes the promised time  
That war shall be no more,  
And lust, oppression, crime,  
Shall flee thy face before?

We pray thee Lord, arise,  
And come in thy great might;  
Revive our longing eyes,  
Which languish for thy sight.

O'er lands both near and far  
Thick darkness broodeth yet:  
Arise, O morning Star,  
Arise, and never set.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**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.**

**Notices** *The notices are given and banns are read.*

### **The Blessing**

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Organ Voluntary**

## ***Services in the coming weeks***

### **Sun 18 July TRINITY 7**

8.00am Eucharist – Good Shepherd

9.30am Parish Eucharist with Admission of Churchwardens (in person and streamed LIVE) – Parish Church

11.15am Eucharist – The Church of the Good Shepherd

1.30pm Baptism – Parish Church

### **Sun 25 July ST JAMES THE APOSTLE**

9.30am Parish Eucharist with Civic Service of Thanksgiving and Dedication for the Mayoral Year (2021-2022) of Cllr Susan Lawn – Parish Church (in person and streamed LIVE) **NO CAFÉ CHURCH THIS WEEK.**

1.30pm Baptism – Parish Church

### **Sun 1 August TRINITY 9**

8.00am Eucharist – Good Shepherd

9.30am Parish Eucharist (in person and streamed LIVE)

11.15am Eucharist – Good Shepherd

### **Sun 8 August TRINITY 10**

9.30am Family Eucharist (in person and streamed LIVE)

11.15am Eucharist – Good Shepherd

1.30pm Baptism – Parish Church

3.30pm Baptism – Parish Church

# Prayer Intentions

## THE CHURCH

**Our Ministry Team** Nicole King, James Stewart.

**Norwich East Deanery** St Matthew, Thorpe Hamlet **Clergy:** Patrick Jordan, Arnold Browne **HMP Norwich Chaplains:** Olodapo Sotonwa

**Our Bishops** Graham, Alan, Jane **Our Archdeacons** Steven, Karen, Ian  
**Anglican Communion** Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

## THE WORLD

**All those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic** particularly all those working in our local hospitals (NNUH), including doctors, nurses, porters, cleaners, cooks, administrative staff, chaplains

**Vaccinations** Giving thanks for those who have received two jabs and praying for the roll out of the vaccine across the world.

## THE COMMUNITY

**Streets of the Parish** Saker Close, School Avenue, School Lane

**Our community** Civic leaders on Town, District and County Councils.

**Schools** Giving thanks for all pupils, staff and governors in our schools.

**MP** Giving thanks that Chloe Smith MP is cancer free.

**THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER** including Paul Carter, Graham and Monique Rowland, Jennifer Jones, Janet Fancy, Colin Hicks, Grace Howes, Peter and Gaynor Garrod, Rita Ward, Joy and Andy McCall, Jean High, Brother Gabriel, Craig Fransham, Anthony Travis, Alan Fleming, Maureen Goodswen, Audry Burton

**THE DEPARTED** **The recently departed** Valerie Turner (South Avenue) (22 July – 12.15pm PC), Christopher Speake (29 July)

**Those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time including** Robert Waugh (22 July), Lilian Etheridge (22 July), Walter Harvey (24 July), Catherine Plunkett (24 July)

# Other notices and announcements

## **EASING OF RESTRICTIONS INTO STEP 4**

The Prime Minister has confirmed that restrictions will be lifted on Monday 19 July. However HM Government are still working on the details. The Church of England has just issued guidance and this will be considered at our PCC meeting on Tuesday 20 July. **Singing is permitted.** More details will follow in next week's notices.

## **PARISH WATERCOLOUR PAINTING GROUP**

With the help of local artist and parishioner Jean Morris we are beginning a time for people to come together in the parish church gardens to paint. Jean and I will be present. It will happen on Mondays (10am - 12noon). The first Monday was very successful. The church can be used if wet weather. Bring your own art materials, fold up chair and refreshments. All are welcome.

## **CIVIC SERVICE – 25 July 2021 at 9.30am**

I am pleased to announce that our Town Mayor with members of the council and guests will be with us for our Eucharist on the Feast of St James when we will give thanks for her mayoral year (2021-2022). Please do come along and support this. Our first Sunday service with congregational singing.

## **THANK YOU TO OUR GARDENERS**

A huge thank you to our team of gardeners who came to the churchyard last Saturday to help tidy the garden at the Parish and to those who have helped with the gardens at the St Andrew's Centre/Good Shepherd. More details to follow.

## **SUMMER CONCERT AND STRAWBERRY TEA - POSTPONED**

As announced last week the concert and Strawberry Tea has been postponed to **Sunday 5 September at 3.30pm. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGED TIME AND DATE!** Please do be in touch with Pip Jenkinson to buy tickets (£10) on 01603 435610 or email: [pip@pjenkinson.co.uk](mailto:pip@pjenkinson.co.uk)

**100 CLUB** The results of the July Draw are:  
£25 – Robert Chalmers; £15 – Christine Cutting.

## **ADMISSION OF CHURCHWARDENS**

John Ward and Andrew Hayden will be admitted as our new churchwardens at **TODAY** at the Parish Church. Please do come along to support them.

## **SUMMER FETE – NEW DATE!!**

It has been agreed with the PCC that the Summer Fete will take place on **14 August** subject to Covid-19 restrictions operating at the time. Raffle Tickets are available from next Sunday.

- Plants: Offers of plants to Margaret Hope or Alistair Stewart;
- Bric-a-brac: offers of good quality bric-a-brac are needed for the Summer Fete and Autumn Fair (these can be left in the porch);
- Tombola: contributions for our Tombola would be gratefully received;
- Raffle prizes are sought;
- Offers of help on the day are also greatly appreciated.

More details – next week!!

**JUNIOR CHOIR** There is an end of term meeting on 21 July at 3.45pm, before breaking up for the Summer holidays, returning on 8 September.

**THANK YOU TO ALL** Thank you for all your donations to help try and keep us going in this very difficult time financially for us. All donations are gratefully received for the mission and ministry of our church. If you are able to Gift Aid and have not signed a gift aid form, please be in touch. In view of the moving of social events once again all donations are gratefully received.

**MOVE OF THE ORGAN CONSOLE** We are very pleased to announce that our Organ Builders, Messrs Bishop and Sons (of Ipswich), moved the organ console to behind the screen. The organ was installed in 1901 and the console remained behind the screen until 2002, when it was moved due to installation of the Nave Altar platform. The PCC voted for its move back some time ago and now it is happening. We are extremely grateful to the Trustees of the Ivy Child Charitable Trust whose generosity has made this project possible. The choir stalls have also been moved as per the plan. The move has made space available to return this corner of the church to its former use of a Lady Chapel. It has been recarpeted and various things are now being trialled.

# Summer Organ Recitals



**Thorpe St Andrew Parish Church  
River Green NR7 0EW**

**4 August 2021 Andrew Hayden**  
**11 August 2021 Tim Patient**  
**18 August 2021 Rebekah Okpoti**  
**25 August 2021 David Baker**

*All recitals at 1pm. Refreshments will be served  
from 12 noon. Donations in aid of church funds.*

## **Further information**

**The Revd James Stewart 01603 439160**  
**rector@thorpeparishchurch.org**

The Parish of Thorpe St Andrew presents

## **A Trip down Memory Lane**



*An afternoon of songs we know and  
love, with a delicious Strawberry Tea*



**Sunday 5 September  
at 3.30pm**

**Thorpe St Andrew Parish Church  
River Green NR7 0EW**



**Tickets £10**

**Telephone 01603 436150**  
**or email pip@pjenkinson.co.uk**

# Forthcoming Social Events

**4, 11, 18, 25 August** Lunchtime Organ Recitals  
**18 September** Quiz Night - St Andrew's Centre  
**16 October** Film Night - St Andrew's Centre  
**30 October** Autumn Fair - St Andrew's Centre  
**20 November** - Music Hall Evening

Further details as and when we hear more information  
on the roadmap out of restrictions!



# Summer Fete

Fancy Dress  
with a 1920s theme

**Saturday 14 August**  
**11.00am to 3.00pm**

Fun for all  
the family

**Thorpe St Andrew  
Parish Church  
River Green NR7 0EW**

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