



Weekly News

6th March 2022

The First Sunday of Lent

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Lent: A Place at the Table



This Lent we have three different ways to reflect on God's invitation, to everyone, of a place at his table. First, in the Foyer, we have Ian Campbell's 'Our Last Supper' and Shirley Hudson's 'Breakfast Club Drawings'. A video about this exhibition is available on the [St Peter's Church YouTube Channel](#).

Second, the [Living in Love and Faith](#) course, in which we consider together questions of gender, identity, relationship and marriage in the light of Christian faith is available on Wednesday evenings 7:15 – 9:15 pm in the Bramhall Gallery (please let me know if you plan to attend).

Third, our Sunday morning sermons during Lent will also follow the themes of *Living in Love and Faith* – starting this Sunday with how we learn together.

Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's Church

Attack on Ukraine 'an act of great evil'

The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby and Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell have condemned the Russian attack on Ukraine as 'an act of great evil' and urged Christians to pray for Ukraine, Russia and for peace. Last Thursday Archbishop Justin Welby delivered *Thought for the Day* on Radio 4; this what he said:

To wake up to the news of war is terrible. To wake up to its reality is orders of magnitude worse. Shakespeare refers to war as chaos - the loosing of the dogs of war - and calls for one of his characters to cry out the warning about what it means. Those in the Ukraine will be thinking about their relatives on the front lines, or their friends on the front lines. We are thinking, where is it going to go next? Politicians are thinking, what do we do?

In all of the thinking, in all of the responses, there is the great uncertainty which is the worst enemy of good decisions. Uncertainty leads to fear, fear leads to overreaction. How do we react well? How do politicians in the cloud of war, not really knowing what's going on, but knowing they have no opportunity to wait – how do they make up their minds?

They will rightly call for all of us, and for themselves, to have resolution, courage, determination, a willingness to sacrifice whatever is necessary in order to ensure that peace may come and justice may be done. Peace and justice. They often seem to contrast, and yet they are opposite sides of the same coin.

We seek peace and justice, and that must end with those involved in conflict not having solutions imposed on them but finding for themselves the way forward to reconciliation and peace.

Right at the end of his life, Jesus Christ, on the eve of his crucifixion, spoke to his disciples and he said something very memorable: 'In the world you will have trouble, but do not be afraid, I have overcome the world.'

For me and for many of faith, the great certainty in the world, the only certainty, is that we know that God does not change. Let us find our resolution, our peace, our certainty not by screwing up our courage, but in the knowledge of the eternal arms that hold us.

May God be with those who suffer today.

A Place at the Table – a verse from this hymn will be sung by the Music Group at Family Communion each week in Lent.

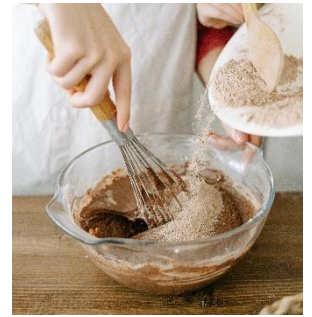
For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,

And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!



Bakers needed

We are holding a Refreshment Day on Saturday 19th March from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm to raise funds for St Peter's Church and will need lots of cakes to sell. If you can help by baking and donating a cake please get in touch with Catherine Medforth (07876 653765) or Sian Lockwood (07889 616755). Thank you!



St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship

St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship meets on the first Monday of the month from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at Gillian Taylor's home. There is usually a speaker, or sometimes an outing, and always a delicious afternoon tea. Tony Shepherd is the speaker at the meeting tomorrow, Monday 7th March, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Please call Gillian on 01423 500482 if you would like to come.

A Lunchtime Café on Thursday 10th March

The Refreshment Team will be providing sandwiches, soup and cake following the Thursday Communion service on 10th March. If you can help in any way (making soup, baking a cake or helping on the day) then please do contact Catherine Medforth (07876 653765) or Sian Lockwood (07889 616755). We hope to be able to provide refreshments after the Thursday service at least once a month (more if our great team of volunteers grows!). Please come and enjoy a lovely lunch with us!

come to know

a place at the table



Iain Campbell *Our Last Supper*
Shirley Hudson *Breakfast Club drawings*

exhibition runs 26th February - 18th April 2022
The Atrium, St Peter's Church Harrogate HG1 1PB
9th April 10 - 11.30 am lecture by Revd Dr Alan Garrow:
Kitchen Visions of the First Christians



LIVING IN LOVE & FAITH

Living in Love and Faith: The Course

A 5 session course starting on
Wednesday 9th March 2022
from 7:15 – 8:45 pm
in The Gallery at St Peter's Church

Please let Alan Garrow know (0776
1017658 or alan.garrow@gmail.com)
if you are planning to come.

Today's Services: 6th March 2022

The First Sunday of Lent

*The Imposition of Ashes will be available for those who wish it at our Communion services this morning. The sermons will draw upon **Living in Love and Faith**; the theme for today is **Learning Together**.*

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion led by Sunday Club

*There is **no** Sunday Club for school age children today, but all children and their parents are welcome to gather in the café area and share an Activity Bag.*

Hymns Today is the day we've been given; The wise man built his house upon the rock; **19** Amazing grace!; **42** Be Thou my vision

Readings Acts 10 v 1 – 35
Matthew 7 v 24 - 29

Preacher: Alan Garrow

11:00 Choral Communion

Setting Oldroyd (Mass of the Quiet Hour)

Hymns 95, 327, 541 (omit *verse), 538

Readings Acts 10 v 1 – 35
Matthew 7 v 24 - 29

Anthem God so loved the world (*Stainer*)

Preacher: Alan Garrow

4:15 pm Stepping Stones Service *Celtic Worship*

Preacher: Sarah Martin

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Morley (Short Service)

Hymns 533, 583, 482

Psalm 50 v 1 - 15

Readings Jonah 3
Luke 18 v 9 - 14

Anthem Remember O Lord our offences (*Purcell*)

Preacher: Michael Hunter

Our Duty Wardens today are:

**Kate Blake
and Richard Bion**

This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream the following services on Facebook and Zoom: 9:30 am Family Communion on Sundays (also available on *St Peter's YouTube channel* to watch later); and Morning and Evening Prayer at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday. To join in follow the [links](#) on our website.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Robert Bickford, Ruth Bowes, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, Jo Fellows, David Fisher, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Trevor Hughes, Jackie Kelly, Charlie Martineau, Sheila Pantin, Frances Roxby-Proud and Michelle Simon.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** St Aidan's CE High School
Sanctuary, St Peter's Youth Group
- Tues** All those providing care or help to a vulnerable person
St Peter's Pastoral Support Team
- Wed** Delivery drivers and postal workers
Carole Raw, Parish Administrator
- Thurs** All emergency service workers
Those whose time is spent caring for others
- Fri** The people of Ukraine
Those in Russia bravely protesting against the war; may they be safe and released unharmed soon
- Sat** All those suffering from anxiety and depression
Wellspring Therapy & Training, supporting people in distress and promoting good mental health

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These are the Bible readings we will be using in Church each morning this week. Why not read them at home if you are unable to come to the service?

- Mon** *Perpetua, Felicity and their companions, Martyrs, 203*
Psalm 11
Genesis 41 v 25 45
Galatians 3 v 23 4 v 7
- Tues** *Edward King, Bishop of Lincoln, 1910*
Psalm 106
Genesis 41 v 46 – 42 v 5
Galatians 4 v 8 - 20
- Wed** Psalm 6
Genesis 42 v 6 - 17
Galatians 4 v 21 5 v 1
- Thurs** Psalm 42
Genesis 42 v 18 - 28
Galatians 5 v 2 - 15
- Fri** Psalm 22
Genesis 42 v 29 to end
Galatians 5 v 16 to end
- Sat** Psalm 63
Genesis 43 v 1 - 15
Galatians 6

The Collect for the First Sunday of Lent (Common Worship)

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Collect for the First Sunday in Lent (Book of Common Prayer)

O Lord, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

What's on This Week

*St Peter's Church is open for private prayer from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm every day except Sundays and the **A Place at the Table** exhibition is in the Glass Foyer.*

- Mon 7th** 1:30 – 3:00 pm *Thinking about God* discussion group in The Gallery. Contact Paul Gill (07580 310971)
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
2:00 – 4:00 pm St Peter's Afternoon Fellowship at Gillian Taylor's home
6:00 pm AA meeting in the Music Room
- Tues 8th** ***International Women's Day***
12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service
- Wed 9th** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
11:30am – 1:15 pm Harrogate Rethink Support Group
7:15 – 8:45 pm *Living in Love and Faith: The Course* in The Gallery. Session 1 *Learning Together*
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 10th** 9:30 – 11:00 am The Toddler Group at St Peter's
11:00 am Holy Communion
11:30 pm A Lunchtime Café - sandwiches, soup and cake!
11:30 am – 1:30 pm Cake Matters in The Gallery – for people living with dementia. Contact: Sian Lockwood (07889 616755)
7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
- Fri 11th** 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room
- Sat 12th**
- Sun 13th** **The Second Sunday of Lent**
1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch
5:30 – 7:00 pm Sanctuary, our Youth group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall

Next Sunday 13th March

The Second Sunday of Lent

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
11:00 Choral Matins
4:15 Stepping Stones Service
– *Holy Communion*
6:30 Choral Evensong

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need.

A hot **Sunday Lunch** is served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot food is available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Our mini Supermarket is on Thursdays 4:30 – 4:50 pm.



Get involved in 70 Acts of Service

This is an invitation to communities to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by serving others. In honour of the Queen's 70 years of faith and service, HOPE Together has listed [70 Acts of Service](#) to start you thinking. Gather your friends, family, and community together to make a difference in your street, village, town or city.

Choose a handful of acts, or complete one a day for 70 days, it is up to you! Here are the next five:

6. Clear your schedule for an hour to serve someone. Ask them what they need doing or what would help them most.
7. Contact a homeless shelter and ask what they need. Then meet it.
8. Strike up a conversation with someone you don't know at the bus stop or in a café maybe.
9. Leave something anonymously for someone you know: a coffee on a desk, an encouraging note, a box of pastries left in the shared kitchen.
10. Ask others what they think your gifts are, and how you could use them to bring life in and through your community, then act on what they tell you. While you're at it, encourage others to use their gifts too!

Visit www.hopetogether.org.uk to find out more about the HOPE Together charity putting faith into words and actions.



Cake Matters



*A fun (and cake-filled) forum
for people living with dementia*

*Are you living with dementia?
We'd love to meet you. Come and see us!
It's free to attend....and there will be cake!*

Our first meeting is
Thursday 10th March 2022
**St Peter's Church, Cambridge Road,
Harrogate HG1 1PB**

Tea, coffee, cake and more
will be available from 11.30am -
and we will meet as a group at 1.30pm

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GANG SHOW 2022

At the Royal Hall
Harrogate

FRI	SAT	SAT
11TH MARCH	12TH MARCH	12TH MARCH
2022	2022	2022
7.15PM	2.15PM	7.15PM

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Online tickets:
www.harrogatetheatre.co.uk

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boxoffice@harrogatetheatre.co.uk





BANS OF MARRIAGE

*The bans of marriage are published between **Lauren Dowse and Tyrone Crow**. And also between **Anna Faye Towers and Matt Benjamin Lloyd**. This is for the first time of asking. If any of you know any reason in law why they may not marry each other you are to declare it.*

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who are in fear,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk
and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Written by the Archbishops of Canterbury & York



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New to St Peter's? Please fill in one of the welcome cards in the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (13th March) will be noon on Wednesday 9th March. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow or to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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