

Welcome to Worship!

Sunday 11th August 2024

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 14)



Services today

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| 8 a.m. | Eucharist (BCP) | St Neots Parish Church |
| 9.30 a.m. | Sung Eucharist <i>President & Preacher: The Rector</i> | St Neots Parish Church |
| Hymns: | 812; 658; 434 (2ndt); 665 & 430; 227 | Thorne |
| 11 a.m. | Sung Eucharist | Eynesbury |
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There is no 'All Aboard' this month: in September the monthly all-age gathering resumes on the Second Sunday of each month (at 3.30pm).

Services & Events this week

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| Wednesday | 09.30 | Eucharist | SNPC |
| | 12.15 | Organ & Recorder recital <i>(Harvey Stansfield & Charlotte Constantine)</i> | SNPC |
| | 19.30 | Eucharist with Prayers for Healing | Eynesbury |
| Thursday | 09.30 | Eucharist (BVM) | Eynesbury |
| Friday | 09.30 | Eucharist | SNPC |
| Saturday | 14.00 | Wedding | SNPC |

Services for next Sunday, 18th August (12th after Trinity):

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| 8 a.m. | Eucharist (BCP) | St Neots Parish Church |
| 9.30 a.m. | Sung Eucharist | St Neots Parish Church |
| 11 a.m. | Sung Eucharist | Eynesbury |
| 12.30 p.m. | Baptism | St Neots Parish Church |

Giving for the work of the Church

We do not pass a collection plate around the congregation during the service, but we always welcome donations from those who attend worship, either in cash or by using the card reader near the door at SNPC before or after the service.

Please Gift Aid that donation if you can do so (envelopes are available).

We also encourage regular givers to become members of the Parish Giving Scheme (which is how many Church members make their donations).

Please ask at the door, or via the Office, if you want more information about this.

Collect for Trinity I I

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

Alternative Collect

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Epistle Reading (the first in the service): Ephesians 4.25-5.2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Gospel Reading: John 6.35,41-51

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has

eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

Old Testament Reading (not used in service): I Kings 19.4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Post-Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:

by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**St Neots Parish Church
Summer Organ Music 2024**

Wednesdays at 12.15pm

(free of charge – refreshments available – donations welcome)

14th August

Harvey Stansfield & Charlotte Constantine (Recorder)

21st August

David Smith (*St Leonards on Sea*)

28th August

Lloyd Barnett (*St Neots*)

Many thanks to all those who helped at all levels with last weekend's Open Tower event. The next Open Tower will be on Saturday 24th August – also 10am-4pm.

Church Rooms Decoration

Please be aware that the internal and external decoration of the church will take place on the weekdays of 19th – 23rd August. The toilets will be available, but no activities will take place in the hall itself. Please be aware that tradespeople and tools will be in the area.

Help required!

If you are able to help with any of the following tasks, we will be grateful:

- Church cleaning rota – St Neots Parish Church. If you are able to help once or twice a month, please speak to Bev Rawlings.
- Refreshments at church events – contact Jacky Isaac, Christine Miles or Helen in the Parish Office jackyisaac@hotmail.com
christinemiles@stneots.org office@stneots.org 01480 370312
- Serving at Holy Communion / clearing up after services – please speak to David Read davidread09@btinternet.com (St Neots Parish Church).

MacMillan Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings will be held to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support on:

Tuesday 24th September, 10am – 12 noon and

Saturday 28th September as part of 'Saturday Social', 11am – 1pm

If you are able to make cakes/biscuits or serve refreshments, please contact Andrea Eckloff on 07725316755 or Christine Miles christinemiles@stneots.org