



Collect:

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward thee
that we, loving thee in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
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.'

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 2.11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the
uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision' – a physical

circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Gospel: Mark 6.30-34 & 53-56

The apostles returned from their mission. They 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 market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.



Daily services this week will be at their regular times on Monday and Tuesday **only**; there will be no others during the rest of the week.

This week we pray particularly for those who live and work along **Broad Lane** in Swannington.

Please continue to pray for the sick & those in need:

Angie; Anne Dunn; Sharon; Archie Harris; Harold Hore; Jo, James & baby Daniel; Edie Kidd; Liz; Kath Medlar; Cynthia Savory; Val; Enid Warnes

Events this week:

Mon	7:00 pm	The Eucharist for St Margaret's Day at Morton-on-the-Hill (Patronal Festival)
Tue	2:00 pm	Swannington Community Project Committee meets chez Laura

Next Sunday: Trinity 7

NB NB no service at Great Witchingham

9:00 am	Morning Prayer (Common Worship) at Ringland led by churchwardens
10:00 am	The Eucharist at Attlebridge (Canon Peter Halls)
6:00 pm	Evensong at Weston Longville (Miss Pamela Garrett)

Sunday 2nd August: Trinity 8

9:00 am	The Eucharist (Common Worship) at Ringland – Canon Peter Halls
10:00 am	Lay service at Swannington
10:15 am	The Eucharist at Weston Longville (Canon Peter Halls)