

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

May the Lord bless this reading

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 583

Gospel Reading: Luke 12. 49-56 NRSV

Reader: Ben Mascal

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

‘I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”;

and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

After the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Jenny Standage

Intercessions: Alyson Bond

We pray for:

Our Diocese: Christopher our Diocesan Bishop; Bishop Karowei the Bishop of Woolwich; All Saints, Carshalton.

World Church: Pray for the Bishops, priests & people of the Extra-Provincial Churches.

The Environment: Pray for your MP and our government, that they will take the wise and bold action needed to address climate breakdown.

Our Community: for those who are struggling with the rising cost of living. Help us to encourage those who have enough to share essential resources with those who lack the necessities of life.

The Sick: Lindsey & Mike Pannell; Ernesta Sylvesta Dimmick; Pippa Miln; Joan Dawson; Charles Dawson; Sugar Hastilow; Julia Lancaster; Christopher Browne and Shirley Gibbs.

The Departed: Dave Asquith and Amrela Massiah.

Year’s Mind: Michael de Vere Moss and Ann Barker.

Offertory Hymn: 585 (omit v.3)

All are warmly invited to the dais to receive communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head as a signal to the priest.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Notices are read

Blessing

Conclusion Hymn: 277

Organ Voluntary: *Prelude and Fugue in D minor by Clara Schuman.*

NOTICES

- 1) **The church office is closed from Monday 8 – Sunday 21 August** (reopening on Monday 22 August).
- 2) **Lunch Club is back at Kingswood Halls on Weds 17 August:** This is a free event for primary school age children and their families. See posters for details. We also need more volunteers so do please contact the office if you can help.

St Margaret, Lee

The 9th Sunday after Trinity

14 August 2022

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.30am Parish Eucharist

8.00 am HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Rev'd Daniel Walker

The service begins on page 237.

The Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit, in love and joy and peace; 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

First Reading: Hebrews 11. 29- 12.2 NRSV

Gospel Reading: Luke 12. 49-56 NRSV

10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Revd Daniel Walker

If you have a young child who needs a break, we have a creche room downstairs in the crypt (go through the doors at the bottom of the stairs); feel free to come and go during the service.

All service sheet instructions are purely advisory, please worship in a way that is most comfortable to you.

Introit Hymn: 369

The Collect

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading: Hebrews 11. 29- 12.2 NRSV

Reader: Roger Thomas

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

- 3) **We are hiring:** We are looking for a cleaner for the church and crypt for approximately 5 hours a week. If you're interested please contact: office@stmargaretslee.org.uk or call 020 8318 9643.
- 4) **We need volunteers to steward for Open House Weekends on 10/11 and 17/18 September** for 3 Hour shifts. Please contact the office to volunteer.
- 5) **Tea for Free will not be running in August:** it starts again on Monday 5 September.
- 6) **Confirmation classes will begin on Wednesday evenings in September:** if you're interested in being confirmed please contact Tim or Daniel.
- 7) **We are looking for volunteers to welcome people into the church:** I would like to reach out to all members of the congregation to ask if any of you could spare some time to join the stewards rota for the 10.30am services. For more info please contact the office on the details at the bottom of this page.
- 8) **The Disasters Emergency Committee are taking donations for Ukraine:** <https://www.dec.org.uk>
- 9) **Darby & Joan Club every Tuesday** 11.45am-2pm at Kingswood Halls, £2 per session.
- 10) **Midweek Parish Eucharist 10.30am Tuesdays.**
- 11) **Food bank donations for LewCAS charity welcome in a basket at the back of church.**
- 12) **Tea for Free Mondays 10 am - 12pm** in the crypt.
- 13) **There is a contactless giving machine at the back of the church.** We also encourage you to sign up to our Parish Giving Scheme- see website for details.
- 14) **Donations can also be given using the following QR code:**



Please contact the office if you would like to add anyone to the prayers list for the sick or departed.

Useful contacts:

Revd Canon Tim Goode: rector@stmargaretslee.org.uk or 020 8318 5438

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St Margaret's School: Church Places

If you are thinking of applying for a church place at St Margaret's Lee school you will need to:

- Make contact with the Parish Administrator
- Read the school Admissions Policy which can be found at www.stmargaretslee.lewisham.sch.uk
- Complete 2 years of church attendance, fortnightly.