not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.'

<sup>16</sup> And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

## **Post-communion**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

## Activities for the week

Today	10.00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>		Knit & Natter
Wednesday 6th		Holy Communion at St James
·	3.30pm	Prime Time: Cook and Eat
	6.30pm	Cubs
	7.30pm	Scouts & Explorers
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>		Beavers
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> .	10.00am	Holy Communion - Harvest

#### Welcome

We are pleased to welcome Revd Gloria Hardisty as our celebrant this morning and Lesley Pemberton as our preacher.

## Harvest Thanksgiving

We will be holding our Harvest Festival next Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> October. Gifts of food items suitable for the Food Bank would be most welcome (or cash which is very useful to them). Any fresh produce will be offered to Box Tree Cottage.

## Hymn singing

As we resume the singing of hymns, it is strongly recommended that we wear a face covering while doing so. Some hymns will have a short introduction but many will not.

## **Knit and Natter**

Knit and Natter will meet again starting this Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October from 12.00 till 2.00. All are welcome, with or without knitting.

# Sunday 3rd October 2021

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns:

81, 464, 228, 33

## Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

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## **Interim Priest-in-Charge:**

Revd Canon Vaughan Pollard

## **Churchwardens:**

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. Patrick Preston

## Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Please take this service sheet home with you

## **Collect of the Day** Trinity 18

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

## Job 1.1, 2.1-10

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, 'Where have you come from?' Satan answered the Lord, 'From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason.' Then Satan answered the Lord, 'Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life.'

So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

Then his wife said to him, 'Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die.' But he said to her, 'You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?' In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

## Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12

<sup>1</sup> Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup> He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the pame he has inheritad

<sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

<sup>5</sup> Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking,

to angels. <sup>6</sup> But someone has testified somewhere, 'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? <sup>7</sup> You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, <sup>8</sup> subjecting all things under their feet.' Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, <sup>9</sup> but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup> It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup> For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup> saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

## Alleluia! Alleluia!

Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, says the Lord.

## Alleluia!

## Mark 10.2-16

<sup>2</sup> Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?'

<sup>3</sup> He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?'

<sup>4</sup> They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.'

<sup>5</sup> But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. <sup>6</sup> But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female."

<sup>7</sup> "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, <sup>8</sup> and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. <sup>9</sup> Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

<sup>10</sup> Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.<sup>11</sup>

Jesus said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; <sup>12</sup> and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.'

<sup>13</sup> People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup> But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do