

A long, tall, cool drink of water

Today we will continue to think about refreshing water and God's provision for us as the talk looks at God finding a wife for Isaac and a husband for Rebekah at the Well.

Heart & Anchor Church



9.50am Zoom starts admitting people10.00am

Song: Over the mountains and the sea

Welcome and introduction

The Lord is He

His Spirit is with us

- Today Ian Fletcher will lead, Rosy will preach and celebrate and will say the responses on behalf of the people.
- As usual, we will mute everyone unless they are speaking. If you speak, you will need to respond to the invitation to unmute yourself to do so.
- A reminder if you haven't got it already that you are invited to bring a glass of water as well as bread and/or wine if you wish to consume at the time of communion.
- If you need or want to communicate with the host or everyone please feel free to use the chat facility. E.g. if you want to respond to the singing or testimony or preaching or if you have a technical issue and want help.

Opening prayer

Almighty God,

To whom all hearts are open,

All desires known,

And from whom no secrets are hidden:

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

That we may perfectly love you,

And worthily magnify your holy name;

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Wa wa wa emimimo, sung by Abosede,

Samuel, Emmanuel, Gabriel and Elizabeth from St Clements

Confession

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer, this is your world and we are your people: come among us and save us.

We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation;

Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have seen the ill-treatment of others and have not gone to their aid; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have turned a blind eye to discrimination and failed to stand up for the rights of others; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have heard the good news of Christ, but have failed to share it with others; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have not loved you with all our heart, nor our neighbours as ourselves; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.



Absolution

May the Father of all mercies cleanse *us* from *our* sins, and restore *us* in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Collect

Silence is kept.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, Without whom nothing is strong, noting is holy; Increase and multiply upon us your mecy, That with you as our ruler and guide We may so pass through things temporal That we lose not our hold on things eternal. Grant this, heavenly Father For our Lord Jesus Christ;s sake, Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

All Amen.



Old Testament Reading

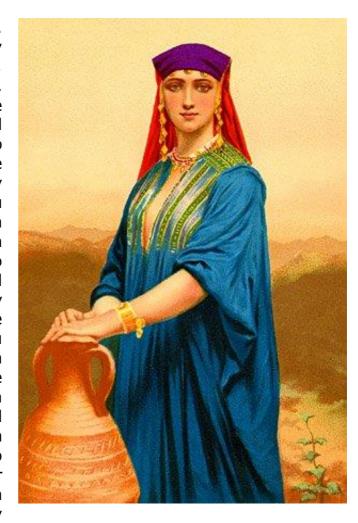
Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-end

Read by Malcolm Chippindale from St Clements

Finding a wife for Isaac and a husband for Rebekah or

A long cool drink of water

³⁴So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. ³⁵The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. ³⁶And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. 37My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; 38 but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' 42"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! 43I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," 44 and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my



master's son.' ⁴⁵ Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' ⁴⁶She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. ⁴⁷Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. ⁴⁸Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. ⁴⁹Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." ⁵⁸And



they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." ⁵⁹So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. ⁶⁰And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." ⁶¹Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

⁶²Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. ⁶³Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. ⁶⁴And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, ⁶⁵and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. ⁶⁶And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. ⁶⁷Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Silence

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Matthew All* Glory to you, O Lord.



Matthew 11:16-19, 25 - end

But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷ We played the flute for you, and you

did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' 18For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; 19the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom vindicated by her deeds." ²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the



intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Talk by Rosy Fairhurst



Declaration of Faith

Christ has died

Christ has died

Christ has risen

Christ has risen

Christ will come again

Christ will come again

I believe, Alleluia!

I believe, Alleluia!

Testimony





Prayers



Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia Alleluia! The Peace of the risen Christ be always with you

And also with you. Alleluia!

Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace – in person or by text or message! Zoom peace is saved for coffee time!

Song: Love beyond measure, mercy so free

The Liturgy of the Eucharist follows

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right,

It is our duty and our joy,

At all times and in all places

To give you thanks and praise,

Holy Father, heavenly King,

Almighty and eternal God,

Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,



And with all the company of heaven,

We proclaim your great and glorious name,

For ever praising you and saying:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,

Through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,

And as we follow his example and obey his command,

Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit

These gifts of bread and wine

May be to us his body and his blood;

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed,

Took bread and gave you thanks;

He broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

Do this in remembrance of me.

All To you be glory and praise for ever

In the same way, after supper

He took the cup and gave you thanks;

He gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you;

This is my blood of the new covenant,

Which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it,



In remembrance of me.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

Therefore, heavenly Father,

We remember his offering of himself

Made once for all upon the cross;

We proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;

We look for the coming of your kingdom,

And with this bread and this cup

We make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection

You have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

Accept through him, our great high priest,

This our sacrifice of thanks and praise,

And as we eat and drink these holy gifts

In the presence of your divine majesty,

Renew us by your Spirit,

Inspire us with your love

And unite us in the body of your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

Through him, and with him, and in him,

In the unity of the Holy Spirit,

With all who stand before you in earth and heaven,

We worship you, Father Almighty,

In songs of everlasting praise:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power



Be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All Our Father in heaven,

Hallowed be your name,

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done,

On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

As we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

And the glory are yours

Now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, Because we all share in one bread.



The invitation

Be present, be present,

Lord Jesus Christ.

Our risen high priest;

Make yourself known in the breaking of bread. **Amen.**



Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God.

Comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,

You have fed us at the table of life and hope,

Teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,

That all the world may acknowledge

The Kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Blessing

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding,

Keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,

And of his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

And the blessing of God Almighty,

The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

Be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Song: The Blessing

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.



Notices:

Post-church coffee zoom

The St Augustine's coffee zoom will follow at 11.15am.

The St Clement's coffee zoom will follow at 12.00 noon

If you haven't received a link please say on the chat and Rosy will send you one.



Birthdays:

Birthdays – Ray Gamble has a special birthday





If you know of anyone else's either just gone or coming up please put it on the chat now so we can see.

Please tip Rosy or Sarah Ranji off if anyone else's is coming up. . .



Morning worship zoom 9am Wednesdays

Online zoom bible study 7.30pm on Thursday
Resource Groups and PCCs in the pipeline for both churches
St Augustine's on Wednesday 15th July at 7.30pm
St Clement's on Tuesday 21st July at 7.30pm

Children's and Youth Group Leaders Meeting

Open Church:

- Thanks to Ian and Sue O'Neill and Ray and Linda Gamble for all their work in helping get St Augustine's ready for open church
- And thanks to Indi, Kate Kelly and Steve from the Anchor Project for their help in getting St Clement's ready for open church
- St Clement's Monday mornings beginning with 2.00pm midday prayer for anyone who wants to join, till 5.00pm
- St Augustine's Tuesday mornings beginning with 9.00am Morning Prayer for anyone who wants to join in, till 12.00
- Other times by arrangement just call Rosy to arrange a time Monday to Thursday or on a Saturday.
- Come and pray, alone or with Rosy or Anna, sit, chat, garden, and help us prepare spiritually and practically for our post-lockdown re-opening.



Live and Gathered Church - we are starting to get ready for the re-opening of the church for services some time after 4th July. We need to do risk assessments, complete our preparations in the light of them and receive the green light from the Diocese before we can give a definite date.

Prayers

Give thanks with a grateful heart

- Thanks for the Anchor Project helping Sohail sort out his rent issues and for InCommunities helping sort out his issues with squatters next door
- Thanks for all those who have enjoyed the plants and craft activities distributed by the Anchor Project, and the food parcels and craft packs from Community Works



- Thanks for the nursery at Community Works which has continued throughout the pandemic
- Thanks for Angela who has been transforming the garden at St Clements during lockdown

Pray without ceasing. . .

- For wisdom and wellbeing for our national leaders and for our church leaders especially ++Justin, +Nick, +Toby and Archdeacon Andy.
- For David and Vall Ball, John and Flo Wood, Dorothy Murray, Hilary Stobart, Terry Kaye and all those sheltering at St Augustines
- For Joan Baz, Pat Storr, Malcolm Chippindale, Sheila Widdop, Sylvia, Sandra, Peter, Brian and Susan, Michelle and all sheltering at St Clements



- For Terry struggling with chronic pain and Sylvia adapting to her loss of most of her sight
- For the Mussanzi family, especially Ben, who have lost Ben's younger brother Omvuzu. They are thanking God for the extra six months God gave him with them since the Doctors thought he should have died and mourning him.
- For Sany and Muji, experiencing some flooding in their new home in Leeds, that they would be able to sort things out and settle in smoothly
- For Anna as she develops the work with our children and young people and their leaders and for all those lovely people across the two churches
- For our Readers Paul and Ian as their ministries are able to start opening up again
- For our Wardens Ray and Sue at St A's and Paul at St C's and for Andrea as she takes a much-needed Sabbatical
- For special vigilance in Bradford as a whole so that we won't have to go into local lockdown.
- For wisdom and creativity in the timing and structuring of our services moving forward
- For all the groups which need to meet as we resume operations more fully, especially the PCCs of both churches – that we would be able to find ways to meet and communicate well and in a timely way
- For a new parish administrator, a cleaner for St Augustine's and voluntary cleaners for St Clements and more gardeners for both churches
- For a swift discovery of a vaccine for Covid 19 and especially for the team from Oxford University doing trials



- For fundraising applications for new heating, organ repairs and better access and toilets for St Clements
- For fundraising applications for ongoing funding for Anna.
- For all our preparations for re-opening the churches
- For discernment to hear what God is saying to us moving forward about how to be church at this moment
- For the library service, which has had a major restructuring and is now devoting more resource to supporting the community libraries.
- For St Augustine's Community Library, that we would be able to liaise well with the library service and open up again and flourish in due course.