

St Mary, Whitegate and St Peter, Little Budworth

Readings for Sunday 3rd August - 7th Sunday after Trinity

Morning Prayer

COLLECT:

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the
same;
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.

PSALM: 107:1-9, 43

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is
gracious, ♦
for his steadfast love endures for ever.
Let the redeemed of the Lord say this, ♦
those he redeemed from the hand of the
enemy,
And gathered out of the lands
from the east and from the west, ♦
from the north and from the south.
Some went astray in desert wastes ♦
and found no path to a city to dwell in.
Hungry and thirsty, ♦
their soul was fainting within them.
So they cried to the Lord in their
trouble ♦
and he delivered them from their
distress.
He set their feet on the right way ♦
till they came to a city to dwell in.
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his
goodness ♦
and the wonders he does for his children.
For he satisfies the longing soul ♦
and fills the hungry soul with good.
Whoever is wise will ponder these
things ♦
and consider the loving-kindness of the
Lord.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning is now and
shall be for ever. AMEN

FIRST READING:

Hosea 11: 1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.
The more I called them, the more they
went from me; they kept sacrificing to the
Baals, and offering incense to idols.

Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,
I took them up in my arms; but they did
not know that I healed them. I led them
with cords of human kindness, with
bands of love.

I was to them like those who lift infants
to their cheeks. I bent down to them and
fed them.

They shall return to the land of Egypt,
and Assyria shall be their king, because
they have refused to return to me.
The sword rages in their cities, it
consumes their oracle-priests, and
devours because of their schemes.
My people are bent on turning away from
me. To the Most High they call, but he
does not raise them up at all.

How can I give you up, Ephraim? How
can I hand you over, O Israel?
How can I make you like Admah?
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?
My heart recoils within me; my
compassion grows warm and tender.
I will not execute my fierce anger;
I will not again destroy Ephraim;
for I am God and no mortal, the Holy
One in your midst, and I will not come in
wrath.

They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

SECOND READING:

Luke 12: 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

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AFTER THE SERVICE:

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At St Peter's refreshments are served in Church and there is a toilet at the back of church.

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