

## Reflection Trinity 8

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands which have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life, glory to you for ever. Amen

The Post Communion Prayer for Trinity 8 reminds us of the link between our actions at church and our behaviour in the rest of our lives: the importance of walking the talk in our actions each day.

In his book 'Why Sacraments?' Andrew Davison also argues that the physical and spiritual dimensions of life are not easily separated: 'The Christian tradition will not let the 'spiritual' side be simply spiritual or the 'material' be simply material. It shows this by constantly taking material things and dragging them into church (babies, love and marriage, bread and wine, the dead), and by constantly taking spiritual things and enacting them materially...Matter is extraordinarily spiritual. (2013 pg 9).

Today we will take water, pray over it and baptise Charlie, using candles and oil as we celebrate this step in his journey of faith. How can we too 'shine like a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father' in all that we say and do?

*Rev Sarah*



## \*\*\*\* UNIFORM SWAP \*\*\*\*

Uniform Drop off

Thursday 28th July 9.30-11am

Uniform Collection

Thursdays 11th and 18th August 9.30-11am

NEXT SUNDAY 14.08.2022 Trinity 9

SERVICES: 10.30am in Church

READINGS: OT Jeremiah 23: 23-29  
NT Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2  
GOSPEL Luke 12: 49-56



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# St Thomas, Exeter

7th August 2022

Transfiguration

10.30am in Church

Today

10.30am Sung Eucharist and Baptism of  
Charlie Jack Richards

Wednesday 10th August

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Thursday 11th August

9.30-11am St Thomas Tots.

10.30am Knit & Natter in St Thomas Park.

Friday 12th August

9.30am Morning Prayer.

10am Staff Meeting.

Saturday 13th August

9am Men's Breakfast in the Sawyers.



## Collect

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## Daniel 7.9,10,13,14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

## 2 Peter 1.16–19

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he re-

ceived honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

## Luke 9.28–36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

## Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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## NOTICES

For our services in Church, **mask wearing** is not now compulsory but we would still advise it while infection numbers remain high. If you are coming to coffee, we also recommend wearing a mask until you are seated in the Hall.

**Knit and Natter Summer 2022** In June, July and August we will meet in St Thomas Pleasure Ground or at 19 Maple Road according to the weather, every Thursday from 10.30am to mid-day. Details from Jenny on 01392 498725.

**Camera Obscura** Monday 8th August from 10am—12noon in the Churchyard.

**Community Larder** is receiving donations on Tuesdays from 10-11am. (Note earlier time)

**Please Note: Ian Totterdell** has a new phone number 07536459096

**St Thomas Tots** are on holiday on 25th August.

