

Home Group Outline for w/c Sunday 24th June 2018

WELCOME

- ⊕ Have a "Stone/Scissors/Paper" competition to start the evening

WORSHIP

- ⊕ **Read Psalm 19 v 1-4**
- ⊕ Spend time thinking about what parts of creation convince you that there is a creating, sustaining God.
- ⊕ In prayer, thank God for the world he has created.
- ⊕ Sing or listen to "Indescribable" by Chris Tomlin (or something similar).
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sM5YReFSm0I>

WORD

- ⊕ **Read 2 Corinthians 6:1-13**
- ⊕ What did you think about Sunday's sermon?
- ⊕ What do you think Paul means in v.1 about God's grace being wasted?
- ⊕ What obstacles (v.3) might Christians or the church put in the way of outsiders?
- ⊕ Paul is commending his ministry in v.4-10. Look at the comparisons in these verses. What did Paul mean and how can we apply them to our own Christian life and witness?
- ⊕ The church at Corinth had been influenced by critics of Paul's ministry; what is Paul's desire for the church? Are there lessons for us here?

WITNESS

- ⊕ Pray for Christians who suffer for their faith (maybe get hold of and use some prayer diaries from 'Open Doors' or the 'Barnabas Fund')

From St Matthew's Memorial Book

Margaret Bramley
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Helen Louise Atkinson
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The Parish of The Risen Lord, Preston 24th June 2018 4th Sunday after Trinity Today's Services:

10.30am at St James, Knowsley Street
11am St Matthews, New Hall Lane

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Today

St Matthews Stewards: Jill & Janet; Reader: Florence; Prayers: Nancy;
Drinks: Doreen & Maureen

St James Readers: Norman & Irene; Prayers: Joseph; Drinks: Beryl

Next Sunday 1st July 2018

St Matthews Stewards: Nina & Greg; Reader: Colin; Prayers: Greg;
Drinks: Liz & Janet

St James Readers: Cath & Richard; Prayers: Joseph; Drinks: Cath

For your prayers.

Sheila Symons, Eric Lee, Sheena Nelson, Joyce, Gina, Siobhan Draper, Martin Quinn and Zoe Milner. Pete Johnston, Thomas, Avis Morris, Margaret Anderson, Sister Agnes, Norman Dickinson, Mavis Berry and Irene Gardener. Nena Yousif (Kamran's niece) undergoing chemotherapy and Geoffrey Loxham

This week

Monday: 1 pm St Matthew's Mission Work Club
6 pm Rainbows and Brownies at St Matthew's Mission
8 pm Zumba class at St Matthews Mission

Tuesday: 5.15 pm Talk & Tucker at St Matthews Mission

Wednesday: 9.45 am Communion at St Matthews
10 am St James Coffee Morning
7 pm Fitness Group at St Matthews Mission
8pm Homegroup at St Matthew's Vicarage

St Matthew's Mission Services

*The next service will happen on **Sunday 15th July**. Praise God that Geoffrey has had encouraging hospital test results and will return to ministry in the parish in August after a short period of rest..*

Thursday: 9.30 am Twinkling Stars Toddler Group at St Matthews Mission

Bible Readings

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

6 In our work together with God, then, we beg you who have received God's grace not to let it be wasted. ²Hear what God says:

**# Urgently Supplies needed for St Matts Food Bank #
Canned Meat, Chicken, Stewed Steak, Curry, Corned Beef, Spam, Meat
Balls etc. but please NO Tuna, Deodorants for Men and Women**

“When the time came for me to show you favour,
I heard you;
when the day arrived for me to save you,
I helped you.”

Listen! This is the hour to receive God's favour; today is the day to be saved!

³We do not want anyone to find fault with our work, so we try not to put obstacles in anyone's way. ⁴Instead, in everything we do we show that we are God's servants by patiently enduring troubles, hardships, and difficulties. ⁵We have been beaten, jailed, and mobbed; we have been overworked and have gone without sleep or food. ⁶By our purity, knowledge, patience, and kindness we have shown ourselves to be God's servants—by the Holy Spirit, by our true love, ⁷by our message of truth, and by the power of God. We have righteousness as our weapon, both to attack and to defend ourselves. ⁸We are honoured and disgraced; we are insulted and praised. We are treated as liars, yet we speak the truth; ⁹as unknown, yet we are known by all; as though we were dead, but, as you see, we live on. Although punished, we are not killed; ¹⁰although saddened, we are always glad; we seem poor, but we make many people rich; we seem to have nothing, yet we really possess everything.

¹¹Dear friends in Corinth! We have spoken frankly to you; we have opened our hearts wide. ¹²It is not we who have closed our hearts to you; it is you who have closed your hearts to us. ¹³I speak now as

though you were my children: show us the same feelings that we have for you. Open your hearts wide!

Mark 4 35-41

³⁵On the evening of that same day Jesus said to his disciples, “Let us go across to the other side of the lake.” ³⁶So they left the crowd; the disciples got into the boat in which Jesus was already sitting, and they took him with them. Other boats were there too. ³⁷Suddenly a strong wind blew up, and the waves began to spill over into the boat, so that it was about to fill with water. ³⁸Jesus was in the back of the boat, sleeping with his head on a pillow. The disciples woke him up and said, “Teacher, don't you care that we are about to die?”

³⁹Jesus stood up and commanded the wind, “Be quiet!” and he said to the waves, “Be still!” The wind died down, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Why are you frightened? Do you still have no faith?”

⁴¹But they were terribly afraid and began to say to one another, “Who is this man? Even the wind and the waves obey him!”

**We are always looking for people to read the Bible lesson on
Sunday mornings. If you would like to serve in this way
please speak to Alistair about it**



» Notice)

Sat 15th September 2018
10am - 4pm
At Inglewhite Congregational Church

A day to pray, worship, learn, think, discuss and
enjoy time with each other
Further details to follow.

Please mark it in your diary now!