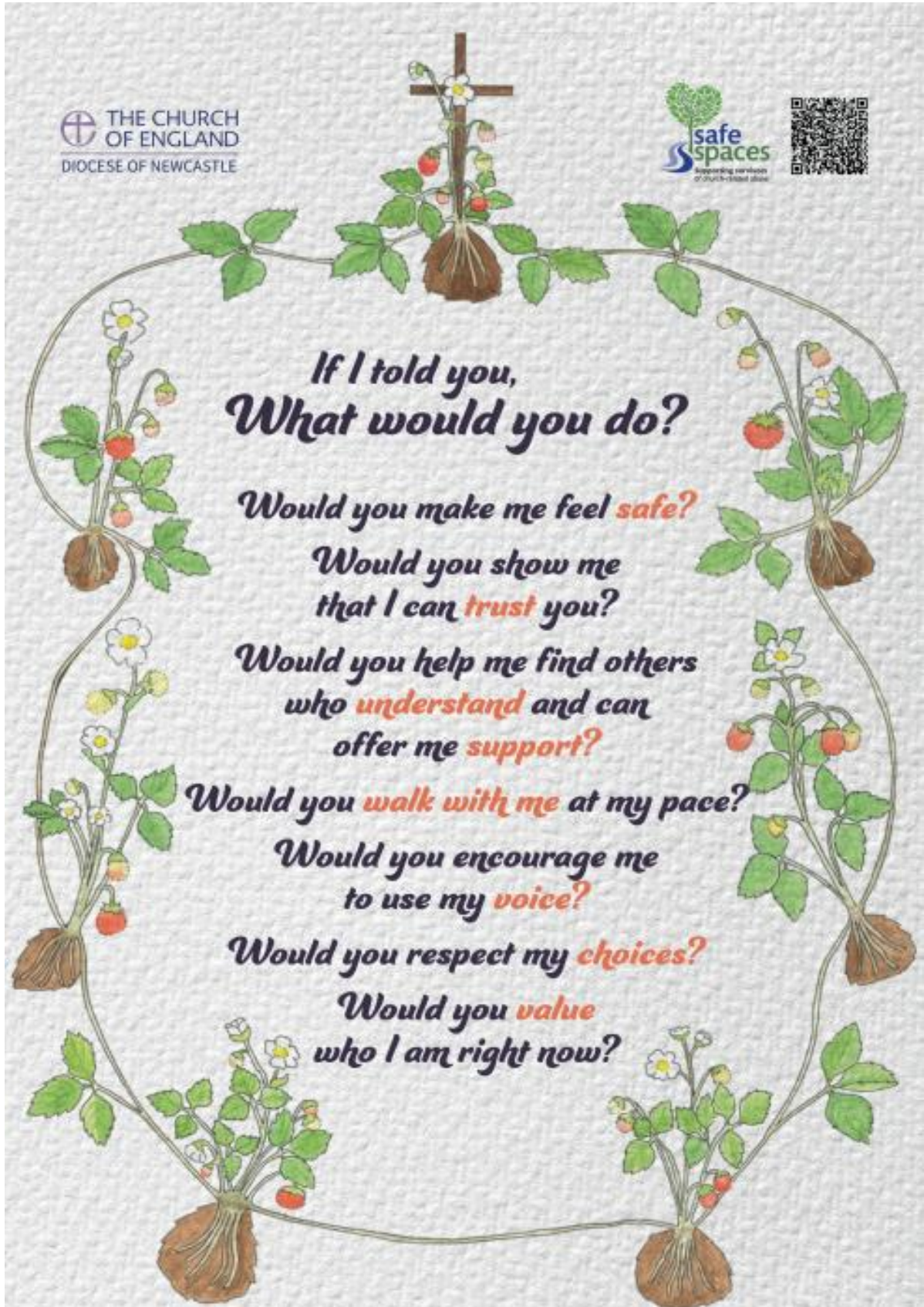


Team Parish of Christ the King  
St Aidan's, Brunton Park

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

Trinity 7



## **Genesis 28.10-19a**

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place – and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

## **Matthew 13.24-30,36-43**

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw

them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!'

## **TODAY**

9:30am: **Trinity 7: Safeguarding Sunday** Rev'd Gerard Rundell leads our service as Dr Sarah Troughton talks about her safeguarding work.

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Wed** 10.00am, Church: **BCP Midweek Eucharist**

**Thurs** 2:00pm, Community Room: **Chat and Craft**

**Sat** 10am-12pm, Community Room – **Saturday Café**

**Sun 30<sup>th</sup>** 9:30am: Trinity 8 - Rev'd Gerard Rundell leads and preaches for us with readings from Genesis 29.15-28, Romans 8.26-39 and Matthew 13.31-33,44-52

## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Jul 2:00pm **Chat and Craft**: Community Room

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 12:00pm **Lunch Group**: Rugby Club

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2:00pm **Prayer and Praise**: Community Room

Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Aug 4:00pm **Team Evensong**: St Columba's

Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 10:00am **Men's Group Summer Outing**: Newcastle Cathedral

## **NOTICES**

**SUNDAY SERVICE** – today's live link: <https://bit.ly/7Trinity23>

**HOWARD CLEEVE** – We're very sad to announce that Howard Cleeve sadly died on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July. His funeral will be on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August, with timings to be confirmed, but all are welcome. Please pray for Catherine and his family as they grieve.

**LUNCH GROUP** - will meet on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug at the Rugby Club at 12:00pm for a 12:30pm meal. Please contact Pat or Pauline if you wish to join us.

**TEAM EVENSONG** – Our next Team Evensong is Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> august, 4pm at St Columba's. Do join us for Evening Prayer to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration along with some lovely music from Chris Clinch and our team choir.

**SATURDAY CAFE & SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENTS** - there are new rotas covering August to November for any volunteers who feel they are able to assist, to add their names.

**ZOOM CODES** – all our Zoom sessions will use only the following details:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7573778713?pwd=NGVjcTRLQjBEaStqYjFDSm1KOURtQT09M>

Meeting ID: 757 377 8713 Passcode: StAidan

**FOOD BANK** – any items placed in the box at the back of church will be donated to Kenton Foodbank.

**DONATIONS** - to make a donation to St Aidan's, please use the following link

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/8a599239-a9bd-4136-8b4b-1dcabb0a2c65>

### ***For Our Prayers: St Aidan's Cycle of Prayer***

**For the church** – Churches in our Deanery: Fawdon, Kenton and Kingston Park Parishes. Food for Thought and those leading it.

**For the community** – Great Park Consortium and ongoing development of the Great Park Town Centre

**For the world** – for Turkey, Syria, Ukraine and all countries facing hardship and conflict. For our own national and political life

**For those in need** - Gladys Johnston, Esther Wooler, Alan Gregg, Martin Seaton, Sofiiia Karnaukh, Susan Armstrong

**For those who have died** – Howard Cleeve, Alan Phillips and on their anniversaries: Dorothy Prest, John Hewett, Helen Brierley, Norma Forster, Bob Hay, John Cass, Kitt Hewitt, Rob Brydon, Maureen Strike, Kate Clarke

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