



**16 JANUARY 2022**

## Welcome to online worship

Please join us for online worship via our Facebook page.

## Lectionary Readings

### This week January 16, 2022:

Isaiah 62:1-5  
Psalm 36:5-10  
1 Corinthians 12:1-11  
John 2:1-11

### Next Week January 23, 2022:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10  
Psalm 19  
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a  
Luke 4:14-21

## Entertainment books

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### *He turns sadness into joy*

John 2:1-11

When John wrote his gospel, he had no intention of relating every miracle Jesus performed. Instead, John chose just a few which had particular symbolic meaning about Christian faith and doctrine. Therefore we need to ask two questions. What did this event show the people who were observers and: What eternal meaning is there for people like us, now?

What did the miracle show the observers?  
For Mary, Jesus, once again, had helped when trouble came. For his disciples, their response was in verse 11 "**his disciples believed.**"

And what does the miracle offer us?  
Simply that Jesus cares. Maybe producing a little wine doesn't seem such a big deal. Our Lord is just as interested when we get sunburnt as when we get cancer.

Jesus touches the common things in life and they become special. He takes a feed box and it becomes the cradle of civilisation. He takes muddy Jordon water, arises from it to launch his public ministry of care, compassion and love. He takes a cross and it becomes the gateway to eternal life. Our Lord takes you and fills you with His Holy Spirit until you and I, ordinary though we are, become the source of blessing to others.  
Adrian