



3 JULY 2022

Welcome to worship

Welcome to church this morning, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us.

Lectionary Readings

This week July 3, 2022

2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalm 30
Galatians 6:(1-6),7-16
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Next week July 10, 2022

Amos 7:7-17
Psalm 82
Colossians 1:1-14
Luke 10:25-37

Gail's Induction Service

Our new minister, Rev Gail Hinton, will be starting with us in August. Her Induction Service will be on Saturday 13th August at 2.30pm, please put the date in your diary now and plan to join us.

Preaching in July

3 July - Hani Ieli
10 July - Rev Christine Gapes
17 July - Rev Christine Gapes
24 July - John Cutts
31 July - Bec Reidy

Holy Communion will be 17th July.

Bringing in the Harvest Luke 10:1-11;16-20

According to Dietrich Bonhoeffer, cheap grace isn't true grace (or salvation) at all. It's dangerous because the illusion of cheap grace can reassure you into a false sense of security, causing you to be sure of your salvation when it isn't sure at all.

In His book titled 'The Cost of Discipleship' Bonhoeffer wrote these challenging words: "The cross is laid on every Christian. The first Christ-suffering which every man must experience is the call to abandon the attachments of this world.

It is that dying of the old man which is the result of his encounter with Christ.

As we embark upon discipleship, we surrender ourselves to Christ in union with His death—we give over our lives to death.

Thus, it begins; the cross is not the terrible end to an otherwise god-fearing and happy life, but it meets us at the beginning of our communion with Christ.

When Christ calls a man, He bids him come and die. It may be a death like that of the first disciples who had to leave home and work to follow Him, or it may be a death like Luther's, who had to leave the monastery and go out into the world.

But it is the same death every time—death in Jesus Christ, the death of the old man at his call.

How, then, do we bring in the harvest when we are called to die? The disciples did so in the early Church after the pouring out of the Holy Spirit. They gave their lives to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ and they turned the whole world upside down. They brought in a harvest and today that work of bringing in the harvest still continues with you and me.

Grace and Peace,
Hani