



Grasshopper



St. John the Baptist, Hey September 2019
Receiving and Sharing the Love of God Everyday

Dear Friends

About twenty years ago, Maurice Wright, a British farmer, bought a large painting from a neighbouring farmer for a couple of pounds. He hung the painting in his barn. After collecting cobwebs for several years, the painting was noticed by the farmer's accountant. Wondering what it might be worth, he took a colour photograph of it and sent the photo to Christies, the well-known London auction firm. Subsequently, he learned that the painting might be the work of Thomas Daniell, a highly acclaimed nineteenth-century artist.

The painting turned out to be an 1808 Daniell. Art critics had been aware of its existence but it had become known as "the lost Daniell", its whereabouts having been a mystery for over a century.

Wright sold the painting at an auction – for more than £90,000! And that was twenty years ago.

Well we may not all have valuable works of art gathering cobwebs, but many people are totally unaware of the treasure that they have in Jesus. There are those who could have access to eternal life but are totally unaware that this exists for them. If the accountant had not been proactive in helping Maurice Wright to recognise the treasure that he had, it would have done him no good, except perhaps some pleasure in looking at the painting as he passed it (that is, if he hadn't failed to notice it through familiarity).

Jesus is there for each and every one of us. Do we make any efforts to help people to see what treasure they have? The treasure that we know about is worth far more than £90,000, it is priceless; it is the difference between life and death, how can you put a price on that? We think this life is precious, how much more precious the life that awaits us in God's closer presence?

Have you cashed in on what Jesus has done for you - or do you just take some pleasure when you look at Him? It is perfectly possible to appreciate Jesus' beauty but do little more than look at Him rather than inviting Him into your heart and accepting His offer of eternal life.

Sadly, even after inviting Him into our lives, it is possible for us to fail to notice His beauty due to familiarity. Another common problem is that those who have recognised the value of what Jesus has done for us, and have accepted this "free pass to heaven" can still miss out in this life; as the hymn says, "Oh what peace we often forfeit, Oh what needless pain we bear - all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer"(1). Jesus longs to help us now, in the cares and concerns of this life.

Let us, this month, consider all that God has done for us and resolve to turn to Him for all our needs. Let us also resolve to do our best to speak to at least one person about the treasure that is available to them.

God bless you all

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Dign' or similar, with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

(1) What a friend we have in Jesus - Joseph Scriven 1819-1886

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Day by Day Scheme

1 Sept	For all teachers
7 Sept	Remembering with love Bill Hanson's birthday
11 Sept	In memory of all victims of terrorism
13 Sept	Loving memories of Christine on her birthday
29 Sept	In memory of Barbara's birthday
30 Sept	Anniversary of Doris's birthday

The running costs of the church, which include the upkeep of the buildings and grounds, light and heat and costs of the services, amounted to £30,795 in 2018 – just over £84 a day. Thank you to all those who are supporting the Day by Day Scheme which is used towards these costs.

If you would like to help please speak to a warden or our administrator.

Holy Matrimony

Sat 27th July

Nicole Clark & Philip Morgan

Holy Baptism

14 th July	Lottie Rose Evelyn Schofield, daughter of Samuel Schofield and Katie Holye
4 th August	Sebastian Morris Dransfield, son of Thomas Dransfield and Emma Dransfeild
11 th August	Arthur Frank Howard, son of Philip John Howard and Stephanie Howard
18 th August	Spencer William Hutchins, son of Luke Hutchins and Charlotte Webb
25 th August	Freddie Mason Lees, son of Andrew Lees and Rachael Lees.

Street Prayers

<i>Week</i>	<i>Street</i>
2 Sept	Turner St
9 Sept	Dixon St
16 Sept	Smith Street
23 Sept	Redwood Lane, Kingsley Drive Milford Brow
30 Sept	Holly Grove

Prayers for these streets will be offered in Church on the Sundays shown

Any requests for specific prayers

please ring the parish office 626 3630

Let us witness to the presence of the church to all in Hey Parish

Faithful Departed

Roland Carpenter

June Rae

"Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
and let light perpetual shine upon them"

Bible Readings

1 Sept Eleventh Sunday after Triity - Holy Baptism

Acts 8:35-38

Mark 1 9:12

8 Sep Twelvth Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Luke 14:25-33

15 Sept Thirteen Sunday after Trinity

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

22 Sept Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

29 Sept Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 28:10-17

John 1:47-end

6 Oct Harvest Festival

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17:5-10

Diary Dates

September

Sun 1

11th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion – Book of Common Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion with Holy Baptism,
Scarlet Fothergill

Wed 4 10am Holy Communion - BCP

10.45am Coffee & Chat

1am Holy Communion Oakdene

Thu 5 7pm Come & Praise!

Sun 8

12th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion

Mon 9 7.30pm Deanery synod venue tbc

Wed 11 10am Holy Communion

10.45am Coffee & Chat

7.30pm PCC

Thu 12 7pm Come & Praise!

Archdeacon Road Show

Sun 15 **13th Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion
9.30am Family Eucharist & Baptism ,
 Charlie and Millie Standring
11.15am Baptism, Sydney Owens
Wed 18 10am Holy Communion
 10.45am Coffee & Chat
 11am Holy Communion Millfield
Thu 19 7pm Come & Praise!

Sun 22 **14th Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion
Wed 25 10am Holy Communion
 10.45am Coffee & Chat
Thu 26 7pm Come & Praise!

Sun 29 **15th Sunday after Trinity**
9.30am Parish Communion
Mon 30 All day Experience Harvest

October

Tue 1 All day Experience Harvest
Wed 2 10am Holy Communion - BCP
 10.45am Coffee & Chat
 11am Holy Communion Oakdene
Thu 3 7pm Come & Praise!

Sun 6 **Harvest Festival**
8am Holy Communion – BCP
9.30am Parish Communion

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Judges 6:1-7, 11-16, 25-35

Once the Israelites had moved into their promised land, they obeyed God, but not for long, so God let other countries invade.

The Midianites invaded every year, and stole all the food the Israelites had grown.



The Israelites had to hide in the hills.



After 7 years, the Israelites called out to God for help.

Gideon was secretly threshing wheat when an angel arrived.



The Lord is helping you, mighty warrior.



I don't mean to be rude, but it doesn't look like He is.

God said

I will give you the power.



But my clan is the weakest in our tribe and I'm the weakest in my family.

I'll be helping you. Start by pulling down the altar built for Baal and build one for Me.



Gideon did as he was told (but he waited and did it at night).



In the morning, people came to complain to Gideon's father



If Baal is upset, he can take his own revenge, can't he?

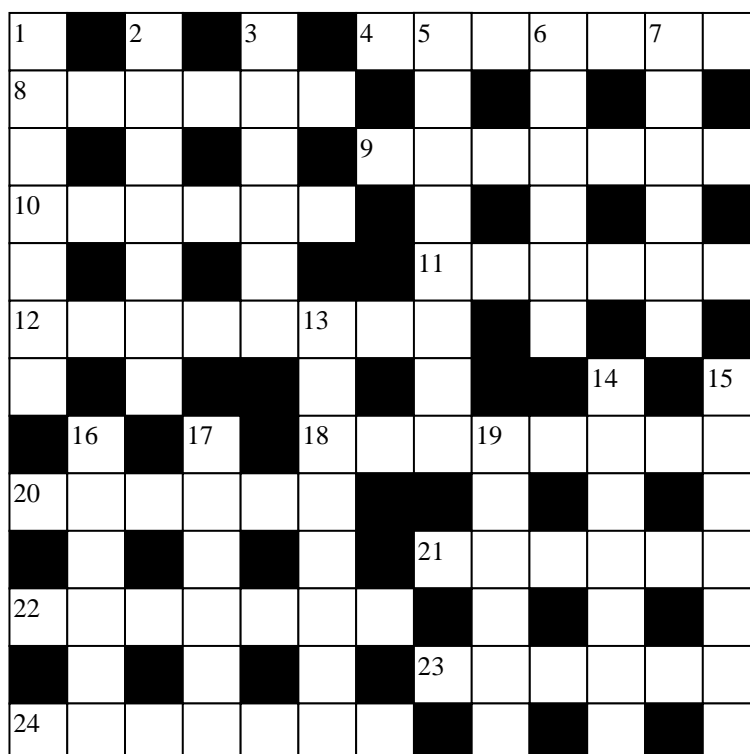


Gideon sent out messages to call men to fight the Midianites..



and 32000 came.

SEPTEMBER CROSSWORD



CLUES

ACROSS

- 4. Cracker (7)
- 8. South African antelope (6)
- 9. Sporting punishment (7)
- 10. Natural ability (6)
- 11. Come back (6)
- 12. Stubborn (8)
- 18. Conflagration when bivouacking (8)
- 20. Used for outdoor entertaining (6)
- 21. Fishy sign (6)
- 22. Extraordinary (7)
- 23. Suffer severe hunger (6)
- 24. Acquired knowledge by reading (7)

DOWN

- 1. Speech (7)
- 2. Party for Irish dancing (7)
- 3. Carpenter (6)
- 5. Summer dessert (3,5)
- 6. Cunning (6)
- 7. Buries (6)
- 13. Award (8)
- 14. Cast aside (7)
- 15. Infectious disease mostly in children (7)
- 16. Floor covering (6)
- 17. Battled with swords (6)
- 19. Copies (6)

Solution to August crossword. Across: 3. Retreat, 7. Alpha, 8. Rib, 10. Rain, 11. Greeting, 13. Notion, 14. Margin, 16. Enrage, 18. Scythe, 22. Epilogue, 24. Above, 28. Destroy. Down: 1. Barren, 2. Sprint, 3. Rag, 4. Tarry, 5. Epee, 6. Trying, 9. Begin, 12. Song, 15. Arch, 16. Eject, 17. Ruined, 19. Tomboy, 20. Either, 21. Tutor, 23. Onus, 25. Pay.