

# Welcome to St David's on Sunday 24 February 2019

## 2nd Sunday before Lent

*Celebrant, Preacher* Christopher Durrant, Nigel Guthrie  
*Readers* Clive Wilson, Sue Wilson  
*Prayers* Helena Walker  
*6pm* Evening Prayer, Bill Pattinson



**Hymns today: 623, 466, 721, 456**

**Traidcraft Stall after the service today**

*Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end:* These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’ Then the Lord God said, ‘It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.’ So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, ‘This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.’ Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

*Revelation 4:* After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, ‘Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.’ At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, ‘Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.’ And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, ‘You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.’

*Luke 8.22-25:* One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

*Please keep in your prayers:* Ben Grimsey; Claude Harbord; James Meeke; James and Katy Tyler; Elizabeth Hewitt; Gary Morrish; Janine; our soup evenings: soup makers, volunteers and clients

### **Notices:**

Jean Terrey, who worshipped at St David's Church for many years, sadly died recently, aged 98. Her legacy to the church can be seen in the Lady Chapel - the kneelers and cushions. An expert needlewoman, Jean designed these in 1998 and patiently taught 20 beginners the art of tapestry, week by week, until the project was completed. Her funeral is THIS TUESDAY 26 February in the St Paul's Chapel, at the Crematorium, at 1 pm

Lent 2019: Lent groups start THIS WEEK 28 February. See posters/flyers for detail. On Ash Wednesday 6 March, there will be a communion service with the imposition of Ashes at 7:30pm in St David's. To mark the beginning of Lent there will also be a special Taizé evening service on Sunday 10 March at 6pm in the Lady Chapel. There will be two Lent groups following the excellent Pilgrim material about 'Church and Kingdom', one on Tuesday afternoons and the other on Thursday evenings. Professor Oliver Nicholson will also be leading a reading group based on the works of St Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage (martyred 258 AD), at 7pm at St Michael's on Wednesdays 13, 20, 27 March, 3, 10 April, preceded at 6 pm by Stations of the Cross. Come to as many or as few sessions as you like. The reading matter will be available at the first meeting

This year the Electoral Roll has to be renewed and we need to fill out new forms. They will be available in church from Sunday 10 Feb and have to be returned to Sue Wilson by 14 March. Please see Sue for more details

Planned Giving Envelopes for the new tax year are ready for collection at the back of church. If you are in the scheme please pick yours up; if you'd like to join please speak to Geoff Crockett

Parish Quiz Saturday 9 March 7:30pm. Tickets and flyers available in church after the service today. Come along and bring your friends!

One x small, two-drawer filing-cabinet required for the vestry. Speak to Glynis or Emma. Thank you

Monthly Knit and Knatter group starting in March. Details to follow

### **Some dates for you:**

Friday 1 March	Women's World Day of Prayer: see flyers	Sunday 10 March	St David's Soup Evening Charitable Collection
Sunday 3 March	Edibles Stall	Sunday 17 March	Family Communion
Thursday 7 March	Lunch Club: sign up please	Friday 22 March	BREXIT vigil: see flyers
		Sunday 24 March	Traidcraft Stall