

ORDER OF SERVICE

Leader: Rev'd Gareth Morley

Welcome and Notices

Quiet Time

Opening Prayer

Hymn: Let us build a house where love can dwell

Welcoming prayer and response

The Collect:

Young people leave for Sunday School

Hymn: God is love: let heav'n adore him

Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6

Sermon

Hymn: Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound

Prayers of intercession, Road Prayer, Lord's Prayer

The Peace

Young people return and share

Communion

Hymn: O Jesus, I have promised

Blessing and DismissalThe Grace

Coffee

Church Meeting

The YouTube link to view the live stream on Sunday is: https://youtube.com/live/VqEn91zLiQo?feature=share



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

This Volunteer Week we pray for all who give of their time in service of you, God. We offer our thanks for the blessing of these volunteers in our Church. May Your Spirit bless them with continual guidance as they faithfully serve others. Bless them with resilience, strength, time and fulfillment. Help us all to consider how we can use talents given by you to serve. Amen.

During Pride month we are reminded of your love for all people. May the grace and peace of Christ dwell richly in our hearts, so that all may be able to be themselves as you truly see us; as your precious and diverse siblings in Christ. Amen

This week we pray for all those living in Kimberley. May they know your peace and love in their lives.

NOTICES

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box is on the Information Table, should you wish to make a donation to the work of our Church. We have also recently introduced a card reader so that people can make donations with their card via contactless payment.

Alternatively, you could sign a Standing Order form committing to regular monthly giving, which allows our Treasurer (Ben) to monitor the church finances more closely. Please do speak with Ben if you wish to make arrangements for this.

Church Meeting

After the service on Sunday. We do try to keep these meetings as short as possible, but they are an important part of working together as a church community. Please see documents attached to email.

Dates for your diary

- 29th June St Michael's Summer Fete
- Every Sunday in July School uniform shop after service
- 4-6th October 3Generate Weekend
- 8th December Celebration service for 30 years of C@P

The school are inviting people to help them celebrate 50 years! It would be lovely if lots of us can attend this event to show our support.



Bible Month

During June, as a church, we will be following Bible Month during our Sunday services and beyond. Bible Month is an annual campaign that celebrates Scripture by inviting the whole Methodist Connexion to feast on one particular book of the Bible together. This year, we are looking at the book of Genesis.

There's lots more information on the Methodist website here - Bible Month - Methodist Church including a daily reading guide you can download.

NOTICES FROM ST MICHAEL'S



School Admissions

To make the system fair and transparent, those wishing to apply to St Michael's or Ranelagh church schools on church attendance criteria will be asked to sign a register at the back of church each time they attend (even if they have a sibling at the school). To make sure that all new signees understand the admissions criteria we ask that you email the parish office to make an appointment.

Please note: Please go to the relevant school website for the latest admissions policy.

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St Michaels







READINGS - BIBLE MONTH - GENESIS

Week 2: The God who Calls and Blesses (Chapters 12-25)

Genesis is the starting point for all Christian theology and explores many of the foundational questions of life and faith:

Who is God? What is God like? How does God interact with the world? How is that world meant to be? What does it mean to be human? What does it look like to be God's people?

Through the book, we get to journey with many different characters as they wrestle (sometimes literally!) with finding answers to these questions in the midst of the messiness and uncertainty of life.

Link to the daily reading guide - <u>Bible Month 2024 - Genesis - Reading Guide.pdf</u> (d1yuutt686hfi0.cloudfront.net)

Genesis 15: 1-6

The Lord's Covenant With Abram

15 After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

"Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward."

2 But Abram said, "Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" 3 And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir."

4 Then the word of the Lord came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." 5 He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

6 Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.