



NEWSWIRE: 11th July 2025



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A message from Derek

*To you, O LORD, I call;
my rock, be not deaf to me,
lest, if you be silent to me,
I become like those who go down to the pit.
Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,
when I cry to you for help,
when I lift up my hands
toward your inmost sanctuary.*

Psalm 28 is a cry for help. At times that's the only way we can pray. Perhaps some trouble we've been dealing with takes a turn for the worse, or a brand-new crisis suddenly breaks over our life in the course of a single day. When that happens, when we are utterly overwhelmed, we discover that the Lord is there. Our new crisis is not new to the Lord and He has opened His heart to us, His '*inmost sanctuary*'.

This is exactly why David calls out, in trust, as he sees the evil coming against him. Even before the answer comes, David is confident that God has heard him and will provide the deliverance he needs, because the Lord has proved Himself as the Protector of His people. David knows that his prayer reaches the LORD's heart. Note here that David's praying is not just for himself, rather he prays for all the Lord's people:

*The LORD is the strength of His people,
he is the saving refuge of His anointed.
Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
Be their shepherd and carry them forever.*

He can ask in confidence: “Be their shepherd and carry them forever” (v. 9), and now has been fully and finally answered in the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who laid down His life for His sheep (John 10:11). Let us then live in the light of these truths this week – whatever we may face. In the Shepherd’s care, we are safe. The ancient promises hold true:

*fear not, for I am with you;
be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

Isaiah 41:10

Derek Foster

Collect for the fourth Sunday after Trinity

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY

9am - Holy Communion at St Leonard’s

Readings: Jonah 3; Luke 11:29-32

9.30am - Morning Worship at St Peter’s

Readings: Jonah 2:1-10; Jonah 3:1-10

10.30am - Morning Worship at St Leonard’s and live streamed on [this link](#)

Reading: Jonah 3; Luke 11:29-32

NB. There will be **children’s activities** during the 10.30am service.



If you have difficulties accessing the service on the livestream link above, please try accessing [our youtube channel](#) directly.

NEXT WEEK

Monday 14th July

Bump to One meet on Mondays from 10.30am to midday in St Leonard's

Walkie Talkies meet on Mondays (term time) from 10am to 11.30am in St Leonard's church hall.

Tuesday 15th July

Mum's Bible Study meets on Tuesday mornings (term time) from 10 - 11.30am. Please contact Jo Shaw for more details. Email: jollypops@gmail.com

Wednesday 16th July

Warm Welcome Wednesday from 10.30am to midday in St Leonard's church.

NEXT SUNDAY - 20th July

9.30am - Morning Worship at St Peter's

10.30am - Holy Communion at St Leonard's



YOUTH AT ST LEONARD'S

THIS WEEK

13.7.25: Morning Worship
No Sunday Morning Youth

14.7.25: Cell Group @ Clover Place
16.7.25: Cell Group @ The Bitterall
17.7.25: Cell Group @ The Church

COMING UP

18.7.25: Cell Groups end for summer term.
20.7.25: Sunday Morning Youth
@ The Hogan's
25.7.25: End of Term Social on Church Land

WEEKLY CELL GROUPS

Cell Groups run weekly on a
Monday (year 10-11)
Wednesday (year 7,8-9)
Thursday (year 12-13)

Cell Groups run during term-time from 7-8.30pm

Further dates are available on the St Leonard's Website.

SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH

Sunday Morning Youth runs on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month during our 10.30am service.

For more information please contact Laura: youth.stleonards@gmail.com

Rosemary Kingston

Andrew and Rosemary Kingston lived in Cassington and worshipped at St Peter's some years ago. More recently they had moved to Northern Ireland to be closer to her family. Sadly, Rosemary died on Friday 4th July after a very short illness. It is a comfort that Mark was able to make the long journey back from

Vancouver, where he is a church pastor, to be at his mother's bedside before she died. Our thoughts and prayers are with Andrew, Mark and all the family. We remember her strong faith and kindness to all.

Margaret Thornton

Want to make an impact with a local Christian Charity? Here's a new opportunity to make a practical difference at **AdventurePlus** over in Clanfield, by taking part in our volunteer week!

Ahead of the winter, we need to complete some essential site maintenance. This will include weather proofing the yurts, and painting the exterior of the conference building.

We'd be delighted if you were able to join our team of volunteers between the **15th - 19th September 2025**. It would be fantastic if you can join us for the full week, but if that's too much, why not join us for a couple days?

And whether you're local to A+ or live further afield, why not stay over in one of our A+ Yurts and experience the peace and quiet of the A+ Adventure Base; for free! You can have access to and use of the self catering kitchen and shower block, or why not use one of the BBQs for some outdoor cooking.

If you are interested and would like to find out more, please email volunteering@adventureplus.org.uk

Thank you from everyone at AdventurePlus.

Steve & Marian

ADVENTURE PLUS

Volunteer

SEP 12TH - 19TH Week

Support your local charity
with essential painting
work on site!

LOVE

Free overnight
accommodation and self
catering kitchen

Email Marian at
Volunteering@adventureplus.uk
to register interest or to get
more info.

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Please pray for:

- Ben and healing for his mental health.
- Scarlett's recovery from long Covid.
- Katie suffering with epilepsy. Please pray that the right medication be found to control her seizures.

To add names to the prayer list, please contact the Church Office (stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com) Names will be added to the list by express permission, and only first names will be published.

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Church Office - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am – 2pm

Tel: 01865 883325 E-mail: stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com

Revd Duncan Fraser: 07810 324088 (Day off – Friday)

Please note - Duncan is on sabbatical until mid August 2025

GUEST PREACHERS

Whilst Duncan is away on sabbatical most preachers will be from our own preaching team, but you might want to add to your diary some special services and guest preachers coming up in the next three months:

St Leonard's

4 th May	Az Hobbs	Manager of CAP Debt Centre in Witney - focus on our Mission Partner Christians Against Poverty (CAP).
18 th May	Charlie Cleverly	Former Rector of St Aldate's, Oxford.
25 th May	Jon Cox	Founder and Director of Adventure Plus - Family friendly service with focus on our Mission Partner Adventure Plus.
15 th June	Graham Tomlin	President of St Mellitus College and Director of The Centre for Cultural Witness, former Bishop of Kensington.
6 th July	Bob Key	Former Vicar of St Leonards, Eynsham. (Carnival Sunday)
20 th July	David Tyler	Archdeacon of Dorchester area, former vicar of Hanborough.

St Peter's

1 st June	Stephen Pix	Associate Priest, St Mary's Woodstock
29 th June	Katie Jones	Associate Priest, St Mary's Woodstock
3 rd August	Andrew Bunch	Associate Priest, St Mary's Woodstock and Area Dean for Woodstock Deanery