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| **27-31 JULY 2019** | **Time** | **Venue** | **OUR SERVICES** | **Led by** | **Preach** | **Celeb** | **Readings and Notes** |
| Sat 27 July | 2.30pm | Nafferton | Wedding | SE | SE | SE | Oliver Rex WILD  & Sarah Michelle BARNES |
| Sunday 28July  Sixth after Trinity  Green  MA Off | 9.00am | Wansford | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE | **Series on Prayer (iv)**  **“Where and when do we pray?”**  Romans 12:9-21  Matthew 6:5-15  Psalm 85:1-7 |
| 9.00am | Watton | Morning Praise | GS | TB |  |
| 10.45am | Hutton Cranswick | Choral Praise | GS | TB |  |
| 10.45am | Nafferton | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C | Evensong | MS | MS |  |
| **AUGUST 2019** | **Time** | **Venue** | **OUR SERVICES** | **Led by** | **Preach** | **Celeb** | **Readings and Notes** |
| Sunday 4 August  Seventh after Trinity  Green | 8.00am | Beswick | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE | Hosea 11:1-11  Luke 12:13-21  Psalm 107:1-9 |
| 9.00am | Wansford | Morning Praise | GS | TB |  |
| 9.15am | Skerne | Family Service | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Hutton C. | Baptism | SE | SE |  |
| 10.45am | Nafferton | Family Service | MA | MA |  |
| 6.00pm | Watton | Evensong | GS | TB |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE |
| Sat 10 August | 12.30pm | Hutton C. | Wedding | SE | SE |  | Simon Peter PACE & Tamara Lisa TURNER |
| Sunday 11August  Eighth after Trinity  Green  SE & TB Off | 9.00am | Watton | Morning Praise | GS | GS |  | Isaiah 1:1 and 11-20  Luke 12:32-40  Psalm 50:1-7 |
| 9.15am | Skerne | Family Service | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Hutton C. | Choral Praise | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Nafferton | Morning Praise | GS | GS |  |
| 6.00pm | Wansford | Evensong | GS | GS |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C. | Evensong | MS | MS |  |
| Sunday 18 Aug  Ninth after Trinity  Green  SE, GS &TB Off | **TRIBFEST SERVICE AT SLEDMERE HOUSE (no morning services in either benefice)** | | | | | | |
| 6.00pm | Watton | Evensong | MA | MA |  | Isaiah 5.1-7  Luke 12.49-56  Psalm 80.1-2, 9 - end |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C | Evensong | MS | MS |  |
| Friday 23 Aug | 1pm | Nafferton | Wedding | MD | MD |  | Max ELLARBY & Elizabeth OLIVER |
| Sunday 25 Aug  Tenth after Trinity  Green  SE, MA Off | 9.00am | Watton | Morning Praise | TB | TB |  | Jeremiah 1: 4-10  Luke 13:10-17  Psalm 71:1-6 |
| 11.00am | Hutton Cranswick | Service on the Green  (joint with Methodists) | TB | TB |  |
| 10.45am | Wansford | Benefice Morning Praise | GS | GS |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C | Evensong | GS | GS |  |
| **SEPT 2019** | **Time** | **Venue** | **OUR SERVICES** | **Led by** | **Preach** | **Celeb** | **Readings and Notes** |
| Sunday 1 Sept  Eleventh after Trinity  Green | 8.00am | Beswick | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE | Jeremiah 2: 4-13  Luke 14: 1, 7-14  Psalm 81: 1-11 |
| 9.00am | Wansford | Morning Praise | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Skerne | Family Service with Baptism | SE | SE |  |
| 10.45am | Hutton C. | Family Service | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Nafferton | Family Service | GS | TB |  |
| 6.00pm | Watton. | Evensong | MA | MA |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE |
| Weds 4 Sept | 10.30am | Nafferton | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE |  |
| Sunday 8 Sept  Twelfth after Trinity  Green | 9.00am | Watton | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE | Jeremiah 18:1-11  Luke 14:25-33  Psalm 139:1-7 |
| 9.15am | Skerne | Family Service | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Hutton C. | Family Service | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Nafferton | Baptism  *Reading Luke 3.21-22* | SE | SE | SE |
| 6.00pm | Wansford | Songs of Praise | MA | MA |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C. | Choral Evensong | MS | MS |  |
| Sunday 14 Sept | 3pm | Beswick | Wedding | SE | SE |  | Richard WOOD & Vicky FLETCHER |
| Sunday 15Sept  Thirteenth after Trinity  Green | 8am | Beswick | Family Service | GS | GS |  | Jeremiah 4:11-12 and 22-28  Luke 15:1-10  Psalm 14 |
| 10.45am | Hutton C | Family Communion | SE | SE | SE |
| 10.45am | Wansford | Nafferton Benefice Morning Praise | GS | TB |  |
| 6.00pm | Watton | Evensong | TB | TB |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton C | Evensong | SE | SE |  |
| Weds 18 Sept | 10.30am | Nafferton | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE |  |
| Sunday 22 Sept  Fourteenth after Trinity  Green | 9.00am | Wansford | Holy Communion | SE | SE | SE | Jeremiah 8:18-9:1  Luke 16:1-13  Psalm 79:1-9 |
| 9.00am | Watton | Morning Praise | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Hutton Cranswick | Choral Praise | MA | MA |  |
| 10.45am | Nafferton | Baptism  *Reading Luke 3.21-22* | SE | SE | SE |
| 6.30pm | Hutton Cranswick | Evensong | MS | MS |  |
| Sunday 29Sept  Fifteenth after Trinity  Green | 10.45am | Skerne | Hutton C. Benefice Service Holy Communion  *(led jointly by Revs. Margaret and Steve Dye and assisted by readers)* | Revs Steve & Margaret Dye | | | Jeremiah 32:1-3a and 6-15  Luke 16:19-end  Psalm 91:11-end |
| 10.30am | Nafferton | Joint Holy Communion Service with Methodists at All Saints *with dedication.* | SE | Meths to provide |  |
| 6.30pm | Hutton | Evensong | GS | GS |  |

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GS = Gwyneth Southall (Reader), TB = Trish Barker (Reader), Michael Searle (RPA), MD = Rev. Margaret Dye, SD – Rev. Steve Dye

**READINGS FOR SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 28 JULY 2019**

**Romans 12.9-21**

**9**Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; **10**love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. **11**Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. **12**Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. **13**Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

**14**Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. **15**Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. **16**Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. **17**Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. **18**If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. **19**Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’ **20**No, ‘if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’ **21**Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**Matthew 6.5-15**

**5**‘And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. **6**But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

**7**‘When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. **8**Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

**9**‘Pray then in this way:

Our Father in heaven,  
    hallowed be your name.  
**10**    Your kingdom come.  
    Your will be done,  
        on earth as it is in heaven.  
**11**    Give us this day our daily bread.   
**12**    And forgive us our debts,  
        as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
**13**    And do not bring us to the time of trial,   
        but rescue us from the evil one.

**14**For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; **15**but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

**READINGS FOR SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 4 AUGUST 2019**

**Hosea 11.1-11**

When Israel was a child, I loved him,  
    and out of Egypt I called my son.  
**2**The more I called them,  
    the more they went from me;   
they kept sacrificing to the Baals,  
    and offering incense to idols.

**3**Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,  
    I took them up in my arms;  
    but they did not know that I healed them.  
**4**I led them with cords of human kindness,  
    with bands of love.  
I was to them like those  
    who lift infants to their cheeks.   
    I bent down to them and fed them.

**5**They shall return to the land of Egypt,  
    and Assyria shall be their king,  
    because they have refused to return to me.  
**6**The sword rages in their cities,  
    it consumes their oracle-priests,  
    and devours because of their schemes.  
**7**My people are bent on turning away from me.  
    To the Most High they call,  
    but he does not raise them up at all.

**8**How can I give you up, Ephraim?  
    How can I hand you over, O Israel?  
How can I make you like Admah?  
    How can I treat you like Zeboiim?  
My heart recoils within me;  
    my compassion grows warm and tender.  
**9**I will not execute my fierce anger;  
    I will not again destroy Ephraim;  
for I am God and no mortal,  
    the Holy One in your midst,  
    and I will not come in wrath.

**10**They shall go after the Lord,  
    who roars like a lion;  
when he roars,  
    his children shall come trembling from the west.  
**11**They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt,  
    and like doves from the land of Assyria;  
    and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

**Luke 12.13-21**

**13**Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ **14**But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ **15**And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ **16**Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. **17**And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” **18**Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. **19**And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” **20**But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” **21**So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

**READINGS FOR EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 11 AUGUST 2019**

**Isaiah 1 & 11-20**

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah… What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams  
    and the fat of fed beasts;  
I do not delight in the blood of bulls,  
    or of lambs, or of goats.

**12**When you come to appear before me,   
    who asked this from your hand?  
    Trample my courts no more;  
**13**bringing offerings is futile;  
    incense is an abomination to me.  
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—  
    I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.  
**14**Your new moons and your appointed festivals  
    my soul hates;  
they have become a burden to me,  
    I am weary of bearing them.  
**15**When you stretch out your hands,  
    I will hide my eyes from you;  
even though you make many prayers,  
    I will not listen;  
    your hands are full of blood.  
**16**Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;  
    remove the evil of your doings  
    from before my eyes;  
cease to do evil,  
**17**    learn to do good;  
seek justice,  
    rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan,  
    plead for the widow.

**18**Come now, let us argue it out,  
    says the Lord:  
though your sins are like scarlet,  
    they shall be like snow;  
though they are red like crimson,  
    they shall become like wool.  
**19**If you are willing and obedient,  
    you shall eat the good of the land;  
**20**but if you refuse and rebel,  
    you shall be devoured by the sword;  
    for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

**Luke 12.32-40**

**32**‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. **33**Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. **34**For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**35**‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; **36**be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. **37**Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. **38**If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

**39**‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. **40**You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

**READINGS FOR NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 18 AUGUST 2019**

**Isaiah 5.1-7**

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard  
    on a very fertile hill.  
**2**He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
    and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,  
    and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
he expected it to yield grapes,  
    but it yielded wild grapes.

**3**And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
    and people of Judah,  
judge between me  
    and my vineyard.  
**4**What more was there to do for my vineyard  
    that I have not done in it?  
When I expected it to yield grapes,  
    why did it yield wild grapes?

**5**And now I will tell you  
    what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
    and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall,  
    and it shall be trampled down.  
**6**I will make it a waste;  
    it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
    and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns;  
I will also command the clouds  
    that they rain no rain upon it.

**7**For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts  
    is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah  
    are his pleasant planting;  
he expected justice,  
    but saw bloodshed;  
righteousness,  
    but heard a cry!

**Luke 12.49-56**

**49**‘I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! **50**I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! **51**Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! **52**From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; **53**they will be divided:

father against son  
    and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
    and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
    and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

**54**He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”; and so it happens. **55**And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens. **56**You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

**READINGS FOR TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 25 AUGUST 2019**

## Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,   
5 ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.’   
6Then I said, ‘Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.’ 7But the Lord said to me,  
‘Do not say, “I am only a boy”;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.   
8 Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the Lord.’   
9Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,  
‘Now I have put my words in your mouth.   
10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.’

## Luke 13: 10-17

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. 11And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. 12When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, ‘Woman, you are set free from your ailment.’ 13When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. 14But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, ‘There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.’ 15But the Lord answered him and said, ‘You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? 16And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?’ 17When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

**READINGS FOR ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 1 SEPTEMBER 2019**

## Jeremiah 2: 4-13

4 Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. 5Thus says the Lord:  
What wrong did your ancestors find in me  
   that they went far from me,  
and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?   
6 They did not say, ‘Where is the Lord  
   who brought us up from the land of Egypt,  
who led us in the wilderness,  
   in a land of deserts and pits,  
in a land of drought and deep darkness,  
   in a land that no one passes through,  
   where no one lives?’   
7 I brought you into a plentiful land  
   to eat its fruits and its good things.  
But when you entered you defiled my land,  
   and made my heritage an abomination.   
8 The priests did not say, ‘Where is the Lord?’  
   Those who handle the law did not know me;  
the rulers[\*](javascript:void(0);) transgressed against me;  
   the prophets prophesied by Baal,  
   and went after things that do not profit.

9 Therefore once more I accuse you,

says the Lord,  
   and I accuse your children’s children.   
10 Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,  
   send to Kedar and examine with care;  
   see if there has ever been such a thing.   
11 Has a nation changed its gods,  
   even though they are no gods?  
But my people have changed their glory  
   for something that does not profit.   
12 Be appalled, O heavens, at this,  
   be shocked, be utterly desolate,

says the Lord,   
13 for my people have committed two evils:  
   they have forsaken me,  
the fountain of living water,  
   and dug out cisterns for themselves,  
cracked cisterns  
   that can hold no water.

## Luke 14: 1, 7-14

14On one occasion when Jesus[\*](javascript:void(0);) was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

7 When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 8‘When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; 9and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, “Give this person your place”, and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.10But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, “Friend, move up higher”; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. 11For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’

12 He said also to the one who had invited him, ‘When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. 13But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. 14And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.’

**READINGS FOR TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 8 SEPTEMBER 2019**

## Jeremiah 18: 1-11

18The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 2‘Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.’ 3So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel.4The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

5 Then the word of the Lord came to me: 6Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.7At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, 8but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. 9And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, 10but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it.11Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

## Luke 14: 25-33

25 Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 26‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. 27Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. 28For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? 29Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, 30saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” 31Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace.33So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

**READINGS FOR THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 15 SEPTEMBER 2019**

## Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28

11 At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights[\*](javascript:void(0);) in the desert towards my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse— 12a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them.   
22 ‘For my people are foolish,  
   they do not know me;  
they are stupid children,  
   they have no understanding.  
They are skilled in doing evil,  
   but do not know how to do good.’

23 I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void;  
   and to the heavens, and they had no light.   
24 I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking,  
   and all the hills moved to and fro.   
25 I looked, and lo, there was no one at all,  
   and all the birds of the air had fled.   
26 I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert,  
   and all its cities were laid in ruins  
   before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

27 For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.   
28 Because of this the earth shall mourn,  
   and the heavens above grow black;  
for I have spoken, I have purposed;  
   I have not relented nor will I turn back.

## Luke 15: 1-10

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. 2And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, ‘This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.’

3 So he told them this parable: 4‘Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? 5When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. 6And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.” 7Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

8 ‘Or what woman having ten silver coins,[\*](javascript:void(0);) if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it?9When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.” 10Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’

**READINGS FOR FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 22 SEPTEMBER 2019**

## Jeremiah 8: 18 - 9: 1

18 My joy is gone, grief is upon me,  
   my heart is sick.   
19 Hark, the cry of my poor people  
   from far and wide in the land:  
‘Is the Lord not in Zion?  
   Is her King not in her?’  
(‘Why have they provoked me to anger with their images,  
   with their foreign idols?’)   
20 ‘The harvest is past, the summer is ended,  
   and we are not saved.’   
21 For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt,  
   I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

22 Is there no balm in Gilead?  
   Is there no physician there?  
Why then has the health of my poor people  
   not been restored?

9 [\*](javascript:void(0);)O that my head were a spring of water,  
   and my eyes a fountain of tears,  
so that I might weep day and night  
   for the slain of my poor people!

## Luke 16: 1-13

Then Jesus[\*](javascript:void(0);) said to the disciples, ‘There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2So he summoned him and said to him, “What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.” 3Then the manager said to himself, “What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg.4I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.” 5So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, “How much do you owe my master?” 6He answered, “A hundred jugs of olive oil.” He said to him, “Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.” 7Then he asked another, “And how much do you owe?” He replied, “A hundred containers of wheat.” He said to him, “Take your bill and make it eighty.” 8And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth[\*](javascript:void(0);) so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.[\*](javascript:void(0);)

10 ‘Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth,[\*](javascript:void(0);) who will entrust to you the true riches? 12And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.’[\*](javascript:void(0);)

**READINGS FOR FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 29 SEPTEMBER 2019**

## Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. 2At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, 3where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, ‘Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;

6 Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: 7Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, ‘Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.’ 8Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, ‘Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.’ Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

9 And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. 10I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. 11Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; 12and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard.13In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, 14Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. 15For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

## Luke 16: 19-31

19 ‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham.[\*](javascript:void(0);) The rich man also died and was buried. 23In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.[\*](javascript:void(0);) 24He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” 25But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” 27He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— 28for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” 29Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” 30He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” 31He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.” ’