

Reading: Genesis 15:1-21

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.

⁷ He also said to him, "I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it."

⁸ But Abram said, "Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?"

⁹ So the LORD said to him, "Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon."

¹⁰ Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. ¹¹ Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away.

¹² As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. ¹³ Then the LORD said to him, "Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there. ¹⁴ But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. ¹⁵ You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age. ¹⁶ In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure." ¹⁷ When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces.

¹⁸ On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates—

¹⁹ the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, ²⁰ Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites,

²¹ Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites."

Sermon Link

Check out the website for Life Group Notes and to listen again, or contact Rachel in the Office to receive the weekly email with these notices in.

Financial Giving

If you would like to give to the work of Holy Trinity, do join the Planned Giving Scheme, please pick up a form from the Foyer. If you wish to make a cash contribution and are a taxpayer, please ask for a Gift Aid envelope.

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welcome

to Holy Trinity

Welcome to Holy Trinity. If this is your first visit to Holy Trinity, or if you have recently joined us, we'd just like to say how great it is to have you with us. We are a church full of people who are trying to live lives that reflect Jesus and would be so pleased if you would consider joining with us. Please don't go away today without touching base. You can do that by filling in one of the 'Welcome Cards' in the foyer and joining us for refreshments after the service in the Hall. All the information on our church family life is on our website:

www.trinitytewkesbury.org.uk

We look forward to getting to know you.

With our blessing, Stephen and Sharon Walker



Sunday 16th September
10am Morning Worship and
Dedication of Olivia Thompson
Stephen Walker

3pm Sunday @ 3

6.30pm Bible Course

Sunday 23rd September
10am Holy Communion Service
Andrew Keith

6.30pm Bible Course

Core Values

**ALL INVOLVED,
BECOMING DISCIPLES,
CREATING COMMUNITY,
DOING EVANGELISM,
ENCOUNTERING GOD**

Looking for a Life Group?

Speak to Alison Cirel to find your nearest group for friendship, fellowship and discipleship during the week

PARENTS

Kindly please note, once the church service and **TJC** have finished, you are responsible for your children's supervision and safety. Thanks

The office is open Mondays to Thursdays 9am - 2.30pm, closed Fridays

Email: office@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk

Facebook: [HolyTrinityChurchTewkesbury](https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityChurchTewkesbury)

Wi-Fi is available upon request



Weekly Events

Mondays	Life Group	10.30am
Tuesdays	Youth Life Groups, Sch Yrs 7-13 (Term time only)	7.00-9.00pm
	Music & Movement Group	10.30-11.30am
Wednesdays	Coffee Morning	10.00am
	Holy Communion	10.30am
	Life Groups	7.30pm
Thursdays	Smarties - for parents & carers of pre-school Children (Term time only)	10.15- 11.45am
	Life Groups	7.30pm
Fridays	Life Group	10.30am



G'Loot—God's Loot!

G'loot is about freely giving away unwanted goods without cost. If you have any G'loot items to go in the Notice Sheet, please email the details into the office.

The Herricks are downsizing, do ask them for a list of G'Loot items!

Contact Details Form—have you done yours?

Do collect a Contacts details form from the Foyer and return into the office or red Admin post box in the Foyer. If you would like to see the new Privacy Policy to go with this, there are copies in the Foyer.

Adult Baptism Service

We will be having our next Baptism service by full immersion on Sunday 25th November. For anyone 13years and over who would like to think about being baptised have a chat with Stephen.

Lost Property—last chance!

Do check the table, collect anything that is yours, before it gets donated to Charity.

Harvest Sunday 7th October 10am

We will receive donations of non-perishable items for the FoodBank or vegetables that can be made into soup e.g. pumpkins, butternut squash, carrots, onions, for the Soup Lunch on 14th October.

Help needed on the Coffee Rota

Would you be able to help serve on the Sunday Coffee Rota? We urgently need more hands on deck! Please speak to Louise Woodward or email her or speak to Stephen.

Our Mission Partner for September are: Wayne O'Leary and the Slavic Gospel Association

See your insert for more news and prayer points for this month.
More information on the Mission Board.

Golden Wedding Anniversary

Joy and Andrew Thomas extend an open invitation to all in the church to drop in and share in coffee and cake on Friday 28th (our anniversary day) in Room 4 between 10.00 – 11.30 as we celebrate this special occasion. Let them know if you can come.

Church Weekend Away—5-7 July 2019

Bookings open today! Visit Room2 after the service to book your place at Cefn Lea next year. There will be information available for anyone wanting to learn more about our Weekend Away of fellowship and teaching.



ICE Kids Residential—8-10 February 2019

Children in Years 3-6 are invited to next years residential at Viney Hill Christian Adventure Centre, Lydney. Cost: £66 per child Do speak to Lucy to register interest, receive letter or more information.

Ladies events!

Film night **Friday 28th September**, "A Same Kind of Different as Me" 7.15pm for 7.30 start - Main church. Then join Liz Walker's Ladies exercise class 9.15 to 10 on a Saturday morning - Room 2, for 6 weeks **commencing Saturday 29th September** exercising to the DVD 'Body Groove by Misty Tripoli'.

Art Exhibition – please get your application forms in as soon as possible. Application forms on the shelf in the foyer.

MOP Fair—9th and 10th October. If you can help with providing hospitality as we open our doors to welcome all visitors to the Fair, do let Liz and Tony Walker know.

Baroness Cox speaking at Priors Park Chapel on Sunday 30th September 6.30pm

There will be no evening service on Sunday 30th September here at Holy Trinity so that we can support the Churches Together service at Priors Park Chapel. Baroness Cox, who heads up Humanity Aid Relief Trust, is an inspirational person who at great personal risk to herself has championed the poor and destitute of many war torn regions of the world.



Bible Course, Sunday evenings from today at 6.30pm

Find the link to the weekly readings accompanying the series on our website. The course book that accompanies it costs £5 and can be ordered from the clipboard in the Foyer.