# Reading: I Kings 8:22-30

# Solomon's Prayer of Dedication for the Temple

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in front of the whole assembly of Israel, spread out his hands toward heaven <sup>23</sup> and said: "Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below-you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way. <sup>24</sup> You have kept your promise to your servant David my father; with your mouth you have promised and with your hand you have fulfilled it—as it is today.

<sup>25</sup> "Now Lord, the God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father the promises you made to him when you said, 'You shall never fail to have a successor to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your descendants are careful in all they do to walk before me faithfully as you have done. <sup>26</sup> And now, God of Israel, let your word that you promised your servant David my father come true.

<sup>27</sup> "But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built! <sup>28</sup> Yet give attention to your servant's prayer and his plea for mercy, Lord my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day. <sup>29</sup> May your eyes be open toward this temple night and day, this place of which you said, 'My Name shall be there,' so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place. <sup>30</sup> Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

## This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

## **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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# 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.

We look forward to getting to know you. With our blessing, Stephen and Sharon Walker



# Sunday 3rd March 10am Morning Worship

Stephen Walker 'Solomon's Prayer of Dedication for the Temple'

# Sunday 10th March 10am Morning Worship

lean Herrick 'Becoming wise in speech'

6.30pm The Gathering

# **Core Values**

ALL INVOLVED. **B**ECOMING DISCIPLES, **C**REATING COMMUNITY. **D**OING 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

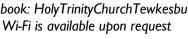
## **PARENTS**

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

The office is open Mondays-Thursdays 9am - 2.30pm, Fridays closed Email: office@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk



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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

# Ladies breakfast Saturday 30th March, 9 am

The ladies breakfasts are a wonderful opportunity for us to come together to invite our friends and enjoy a tastefully presented breakfast with a short talk given by a guest speaker. On this occasion, Rev'd Rosie Amess, curate at St Paul's Church, Cheltenham and part-time Chaplain at the Devereux Medical Centre will tell her story of how she came to faith, felt called to become ordained and juggles work and family responsibilities.

Tickets £4 on sale from next Sunday from Sarah or Sharon.



# Pancake party Tuesday 5th March

You're invited to stay with your children for craft, fun, singing, stories and food! Sign up at

https://messychurchpancakeparty.eventbrite.co.uk

# Annual Parochial Church Meeting—Monday 29th April 7.30pm

Please note the date of our APCM and plan to come and celebrate all that God has done in the life of our church over the last year.

# New Electoral Roll Forms to be completed today

Every 6 years a new Electoral Roll is drawn up in order to provide the national church with up to date figures on church attendance.

If you have not yet filled in your Electoral Roll Form, please complete it TODAY and place in the grey box in the foyer.

The Church privacy notice concerning how we use your personal information submitted in the Electoral Roll is available on the Church Website and on the notice board on the Foyer.

### Our Mission Partner for March is Release International

See the Mission Board for more news and prayer points for this month. Full update will be available next week.

#### Scrabble Boards needed

Lucy would like to borrow some Scrabble boards for the Pancake Party on Tuesday 5th March, please contact her if you can help.



## Men's Fish and Chip Supper-Friday 8th March, 7.30pm, Twyning Chapel

Hear more about the Slavic Gospel Association's work over a Men's Fish and Chip Supper. Booking is essential, contact Wayne O'Leary, via <a href="https://sga.org.uk/events">https://sga.org.uk/events</a>

## Photographs Today

Photographs will be taken after today's service both outside the front of church of the whole congregation and at the Commissioning of the Mission Hall. If you do not wish your photo to be taken with the view to it being used in promotional materials (social media, website) please do keep to the side/away from the cameras gaze.

#### **Volunteer Youth Leaders Wanted**

Sam is looking for more Leaders for our Young People's groups. If you are interested please speak to Sam for further information.



#### **Smarties news!**

Thank you to everyone who took toys home to wash over half term. If you have any still at home, please do bring them back as soon as possible.



Rachael is also appealing for Christian books suitable for babies to pre-schoolers. Please contact her if you can help.



# Bangers and Mash Quiz Night—Saturday 11th May

Pop this date in your diary and brush up on your quiz skills! Tickets will be £5 per person and the evening will be to raise funds for Soul Survivor.

## New to the Church? Want to give your tithe in a tax efficient way?

Most of our congregation give to the Lord's work through the ministry of Holy Trinity Church by Direct Debit. The Parish Giving Scheme is run by the Diocese of Gloucester who undertake all the administration for tax efficient giving, saving our Treasurer the huge task of liaising with the Inland Revenue on a regular basis for Gift Aid donations.



If you would like to give in this way, please pick up a form in the Foyer.