Reading: Mark 5:1-20

They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. ² When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. ³ This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain. ⁴ For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

⁶ When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. ⁷ He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God's name don't torture me!" ⁸ For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you impure spirit!"

⁹ Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

"My name is Legion," he replied, "for we are many." ¹⁰ And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

¹¹ A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. ¹² The demons begged Jesus, "Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them." ¹³ He gave them permission, and the impure spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

¹⁴ Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. ¹⁵ When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ¹⁶ Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man—and told about the pigs as well. ¹⁷ Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

¹⁸ As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. ¹⁹ Jesus did not let him, but said, "Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." ²⁰ So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed.

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

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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 2nd February 10am Morning Worship Andrew Simpkins

Sunday 9th February 10am Morning Worship Andrew Thomas

6.30pm Encounter Peter Kingston 6.30pm Encounter

Stephen Walker



ALL INVOLVED,

Primary school aged children are invited to join the groups in the Hall. This week is Week 2.

Core Values

BECOMING DISCIPLES.

DOING EVANGELISM.

ENCOUNTERING GOD

CREATING COMMUNITY,

Looking for a Life Group?

Speak to Steve or Joy Pegg

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

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Looking for what's on during this week and throughout the month?

Check it out on the church website: trinitytewkesbury.org.uk/calendar/month

Living the Bible—Wednesday 12th February 2.30pm

You are warmly invited to a Living the Bible presentation, the story of Ruth and 'what child is this?' in Room 4 on Wednesday 12th February at 2.30pm followed by refreshments.

For further information contact Lorna McMullen or Gill Workman

Hot Topics: Mental Health and what the Bible says—Tuesday 10th March

Come to an evening talk to hear from Nathan Jones, founder of Talkthrough He has been involved in youth ministry, pastoral care, counselling, mental health and organisational leadership for 25 years. More information to follow soon.



Family Pancake Party—25th February

Plan to pop along to the Family Pancake Party to celebrate Shrove Tuesday on 25th February 4-5.30pm.



Sign you and your children up via Eventbrite: <u>https://tinyurl.com/uypv3f5</u>

Seeds of Change 2020 Women's Conference—Restored, Saturday 21st March, Cirencester Baptist Church

Seeds of Change is our women's conference which is now running in it's second year. Seeds of Change is run by a group of women passionate about supporting and growing other women in their faith in both Cirencester Baptist Church and the wider community within the Cotswolds.

The word for this year is Restored, meaning revived, strengthened, redeemed, healed or refreshed. It is the prayer that this conference will bring love and laughter, healing in brokenness and hope in the darkness.

Confirmed Speakers:

Hellie Brunt – having previously worked as an Associate Pastor at Trinity Cheltenham, Hellie now works as a speaker, trainer and leadership consultant. Rev'd Dr Helen Paynter – Director of the Centre for the Study of Bible and Violence, and Coordinator of Community Learning at Bristol Baptist College.

Donna Howells – Co-Pastor at Newport City Church and hosts an annual women's conference 'Fearless'

Tickets: £15, https://arkevent.co.uk/seedsofchange2020

Our February Mission Partner is Wayne O'Leary, Pastor Yuri and the Slavic Gospel Association

See the Mission Board for the full update and prayer points for this month on the Mission Noticeboard in the Foyer. Why not subscribe to their email updates? Fill in your details on the SGA website: <u>https://sga.org.uk/</u>

2040—film at the Roses Theatre, 2-5 February

The Eco Committee would like to highlight the 2040 film at the Roses this week. Damon Gameau embarks on journey to explore what the future would look like by the year 2040 if we simply embraced the best solutions already available to us to improve our planet. It blends documentary footage with dramatized sequences and visual effects to create a vision board for his daughter and the planet.

http://www.rosestheatre.org/events/entry/twentyforty#.XjM8sWj7Tb1

Encounter-New Sunday evening service 6.30pm

This is our new regular evening service and is an opportunity for more space for worship and lingering in God's presence. Everyone is welcome. If you worship elsewhere on Sunday morning but would like something different to refresh your faith further, then do come along. The theme for the first series is the Holy Spirit.



Young people are invited for some fellowship at the OMH for an hour after the service.

Care for the Elderly Team—New Leaders Needed

Jean Herrick, Julie Pinder and Marg Carver currently head up the Care for the Elderly team, running Sunday @ 3 and Day for You events throughout the year for the elderly and lonely in our community. There is a good team of helpers, but Jean, Julie and Marg would really appreciate new Leaders for this group to come forward and take this valuable ministry on. Please make this a matter for prayer that the right person or people come forward. If you would like to know more about it please contact any of them: Marg Carver, Julie Pinder, Jean Herrick.

2021 - 900years Anniversary of the Consecration of Tewkesbury Abbey

Planning is underway as to how churches in Tewkesbury can join together with the town community to mark this significant anniversary. We want to glorify God for the Christian witness of the Abbey over such a long period and explore how we can celebrate this anniversary by playing our part within the planning process.



If anyone would like to know more about this and consider representing Holy Trinity on the planning team, please speak to Stephen. This represents an exciting opportunity for us to play our part to reach out to our town next year with the