

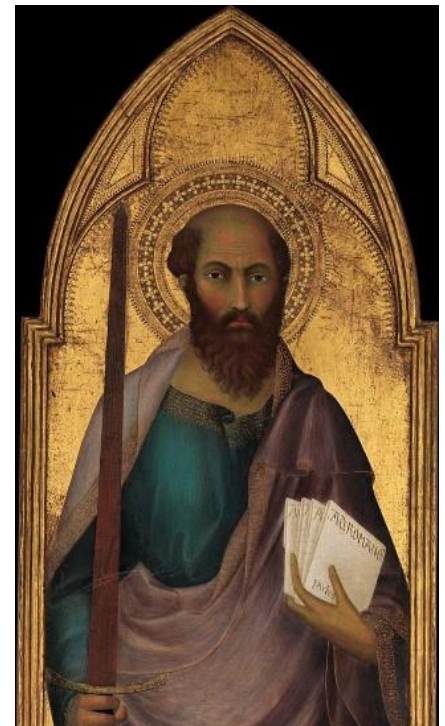
MAYFIELD SALISBURY PARISH CHURCH

EDINBURGH

Live Streamed Service Every Sunday

Sunday 18 July 2021

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL – 2. GALATIA



‘[Paul and Barnabas] fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding county, and there they continued proclaiming the Good News’ (Acts 14:6-7)

‘Faith goes up the stairs that love has built, and looks out the windows which hope has opened.’ – Charles Spurgeon

**Led by Revd Dr Sandy Forsyth, the Chamber Group
and the congregation in church and online**



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AS A DIVERSE PEOPLE, THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP ALMIGHTY GOD

Organ Voluntaries

Andante Religioso, Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Andantino, César Franck (1822-1890)

Welcome & Church News

The Grace

Preparatory Silence for Worship



Call to Worship (adapted from words of Beth Merrill Neel)

Leader: To be feeling the warmth of love,

All: To be assured that someone cares,

Leader: To be seeking meaning and faith,

All: To be accepted as we are,

Leader: To be confident of our worth,

All: To be bold to love in return:

Leader: This is to know something of God.

All: For all we know, and all we might, let us worship God.

Hymn 456 Christ is the World's True Light (Nun Danket)

1. Christ is the world's true light,
Its captain of salvation,
The day-star clear and bright
Of every race and nation;
New life, new hope awakes,
Where people own his sway;
From bondage freedom breaks,
And night is turned to day.

2. In Christ all races meet,
Their ancient feuds forgetting,
The whole round world complete,
From sunrise to its setting:
When Christ is throned as Lord,
We shall forsake our fear,
To ploughshare beat the sword,
To pruning-hook the spear.

3. One Lord, in one great Name
Unite us all who own you;
Cast out our pride and shame
That hinder to enthrone you;
The world has waited long,
Has travailed long in pain;
Come, heal its ancient wrong,
Come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

Prayer of Approach, Praise and Confession & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Opening Reflection – ‘Roll Up, Roll Up, for The Greatest Show on Earth??’



Paul and Barnabas in Iconium

14 The same thing occurred in Iconium, where Paul and Barnabas went into the Jewish synagogue and spoke in such a way that a great number of both Jews and Greeks became believers. ² But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brothers. ³ So they remained for a long time, speaking boldly for the Lord, who testified to the word of his grace by granting signs and wonders to be done through them.

⁴ But the residents of the city were divided; some sided with the Jews, and some with the apostles. ⁵ And when an attempt was made by both Gentiles and Jews, with their rulers, to maltreat them and to stone them, ⁶ the apostles learned of it and fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding country; ⁷ and there they continued proclaiming the good news.

Paul and Barnabas in Lystra and Derbe

⁸ In Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet and had never walked, for he had been crippled from birth. ⁹ He listened to Paul as he was speaking. And Paul, looking at him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, ¹⁰ said in a loud voice, 'Stand upright on your feet.' And the man sprang up and began to walk. ¹¹ When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they shouted in the Lycaonian language, 'The gods have come down to us in human form!' ¹² Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³ The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates; he and the crowds wanted to offer sacrifice.

¹⁴ When the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their clothes and rushed out into the crowd, shouting, ¹⁵ 'Friends, why are you doing this? We are mortals just like you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. ¹⁶ In past generations he allowed all the nations

to follow their own ways; ¹⁷ yet he has not left himself without a witness in doing good—giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons and filling you with food and your hearts with joy.’ ¹⁸ Even with these words, they scarcely restrained the crowds from offering sacrifice to them.

¹⁹ But Jews came there from Antioch and Iconium and won over the crowds. Then they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. ²⁰ But when the disciples surrounded him, he got up and went into the city. The next day he went on with Barnabas to Derbe.



Site of Lystra, Galatia

Konya (Iconium) (both modern Turkey)

Anthem **‘If ye love me’**

Words: John 14:15 -17; Music; Thomas Tallis (1505 - 85)

‘If ye love me, keep my commandments
And I will pray the Father, and he will gave you another comforter,
that he may bide with you for ever, even the spirit of truth.’

Reading **Galatians 5:2-6, 13-14** **Read by Anne Robertson**

The Nature of Christian Freedom

² Listen! I, Paul, am telling you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to you. ³ Once again I testify to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obliged to obey the entire law. ⁴ You who want to be justified by the law have cut yourselves off from Christ; you have fallen away from

grace. ⁵ For through the Spirit, by faith, we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. ⁶ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything; the only thing that counts is faith working through love...

¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Hymn

A New Commandment

1. A new commandment I give unto you:
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
By this shall all know that you are my disciples:
if you have love one for another.
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if you have love one for another.

2. A new commandment I give unto you:
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
You are my friends if you do what I command you.
Without my help you can do nothing.
You are my friends if you do what I command you.
Without my help you can do nothing.

3. A new commandment I give unto you:
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
True love is patient, not arrogant nor boastful;
Love bears all things, love is eternal.
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Sermon – Paul in Galatia – Only Faith and Love
Revd Dr Sandy Forsyth

Prayer for Others

Hymn 624 In Christ There is No East or West (St Stephen Newington)

1. In Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord,
Close-binding humankind.

3. Come brothers, sisters of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be!
Who does my Father's will
Is surely kin to me.

4. In Christ now meet both East and West,
In Him meet South and North;
All Christ-like souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth.

Closing Responses

Leader: Christ our Saviour,

All: So live within us

Leader: That we may go from here

All: With the light of hope in our eyes,

Leader: Your Word on our lips,

All: And your love in our hearts.

Benediction

Organ Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in F, BWV 556, J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE CHAMBER GROUP TODAY We welcome and thank Stuart Mitchell, Julie Morrice, Nick Springthorpe and Susan White.

THIS MORNING'S ANTHEM The anthem, a gem of elegant simplicity, was composed around 1552. It became popular with the Elizabethan reformist clergy. During the reign of King Edward VI (1547-53), it was mandated that services be sung in English, and that choral music be brief and succinct 'to each syllable a plain and distinct note.' The motet is in two sections with the second section repeated.

NEWS AND INTIMATIONS

- 1. PLEASE NOTE** The minister is walking a pilgrimage to Iona this week (though back to lead worship next Sunday, God willing!), and will be on holiday thereafter (recovering!) from Monday 26th July to Sunday 1st August inclusive. For any urgent pastoral matters in his absence, please contact Kay McIntosh on kay@backedge.co.uk or 07903 266307. For any urgent church matters, please contact William Mearns in the church office, as in 2. below.
- 2. FORTHCOMING SERVICES** Continuing throughout July and August, there will be one Sunday service at 10.15am. In July, there will be no Sunday School provision. For further information, please contact the church office (churchmanager@googlemail.com or 0780 801 1234) or check the website: www.mayfieldsalisbury.org)

3. **MIDWEEK PRAYERS** You'd be very welcome for prayers and a time for peace and reflection in the church, this Tuesday at 10.00am, led this week by Kay McIntosh.
4. **CONGREGATIONAL PILGRIMAGE – 11TH SEPTEMBER**
You are warmly invited to be take part in a one-day congregational pilgrimage on **Saturday 11th September**, walking from North Queensferry to Dunfermline Abbey, the first leg of the Fife Pilgrim Way to St Andrews. The full distance is 8.5 miles, but a smaller section is possible of 2 miles from North Queensferry to Inverkeithing with a train then to Dunfermline, as is simply joining at the Abbey for worship, food and fellowship. All ages and stages are welcome, as would be friends from outwith Mayfield Salisbury. Full details to follow in early August. If you would like to register now to be a part of the day, please mail David Booth of the Fellowship Committee, indicating too whether you would anticipate walking the full distance, or the shorter two-mile stretch, or joining at the Abbey without walking – booth378@btinternet.com
5. **'VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE' TO IONA – THIS WEEK** The minister will be walking the St Conan's Way from Dalmally, Argyll to Iona Abbey on **Monday 19th to Friday 23rd July**, in the footsteps of Columba and the Celtic saints. You'd be very welcome to join a 'virtual pilgrimage' on those days, with a daily reflection, prayer and photos/video of his 'pilgrim's progress' posted on the church website (midges notwithstanding!).
6. **YOUTH NEWS** **Youth Activities:** Youth Activities will be taking a break for the month of July during the school holidays, and Hillary will be in touch soon with plans for August and the coming school term! **Annual Leave:** Hillary is on annual leave from 18 July - 31 July.
7. **WOULD YOU LIKE TO WELCOME STUDENTS NEW TO EDINBURGH?** If you would like to (1) be involved in a welcome event at Mayfield Salisbury for new postgraduate students from abroad at the School of Divinity at New College,

provisionally on **Thursday 16th September**, and/or (2) potentially become a 'welcome host', please contact Alastair MacGilchrist (a.macgilchrist@gmail.com, 07931 730 805 or in person), preferably by Monday 19th July. This is simply a 'note of interest' rather than a definite commitment at this stage.

8. **SUPPORT MAYFIELD SALISBURY CHURCH** Regular and one-off **donations**, now possible through: www.give.net/20311853
9. **CHRISTIAN AID** We recently received from Christian Aid the shocking news that **over 30 million people in 20 countries are teetering on the brink of famine**. This is a global hunger emergency. The Covid-19 pandemic, violent conflict and the climate crisis have all increased global hunger. People in countries including South Sudan, Afghanistan and Burkina Faso are facing the very real threat of starvation. **If we act now, we can save lives**. Donations can be made via the **Christian Aid website** at www.christianaid.org.uk or by phone on [020 7523 2269](tel:02075232269).
10. **KILOMBERO RICE** available again £3 per 1kg bag, white or brown. Every bag bought helps Malawian smallholder farmers pay for secondary education for their children. Contact Jean [0131 477 6648](tel:01314776648) or jebileitch@gmail.com
11. **PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER CHAIN** Would you now like to be allocated a visitor or someone to phone you regularly? Are you going into hospital or know of someone who is ill? Do you have anything you would like to be prayed for, or included in the Prayer Chain? Contact Kay: kay@backedge.co.uk / [07903 266307](tel:07903266307).

Books for the Journey

Steve Aisthorpe, *Re-Wilding the Church* (2020)

Bruce Stanley, *Forest Church* (2020)

Walter Brueggemann, *Virus as a Summons to Faith* (2020)

Forthcoming Deadlines

Order of service for next week: Thursday at 6.00pm.

Next Grapevine: Friday 27 August at 6.00pm.

Please send submissions to the Church Manager, William Mearns.
Phone: **0780 801 1234** or email: churchmanager@googlemail.com

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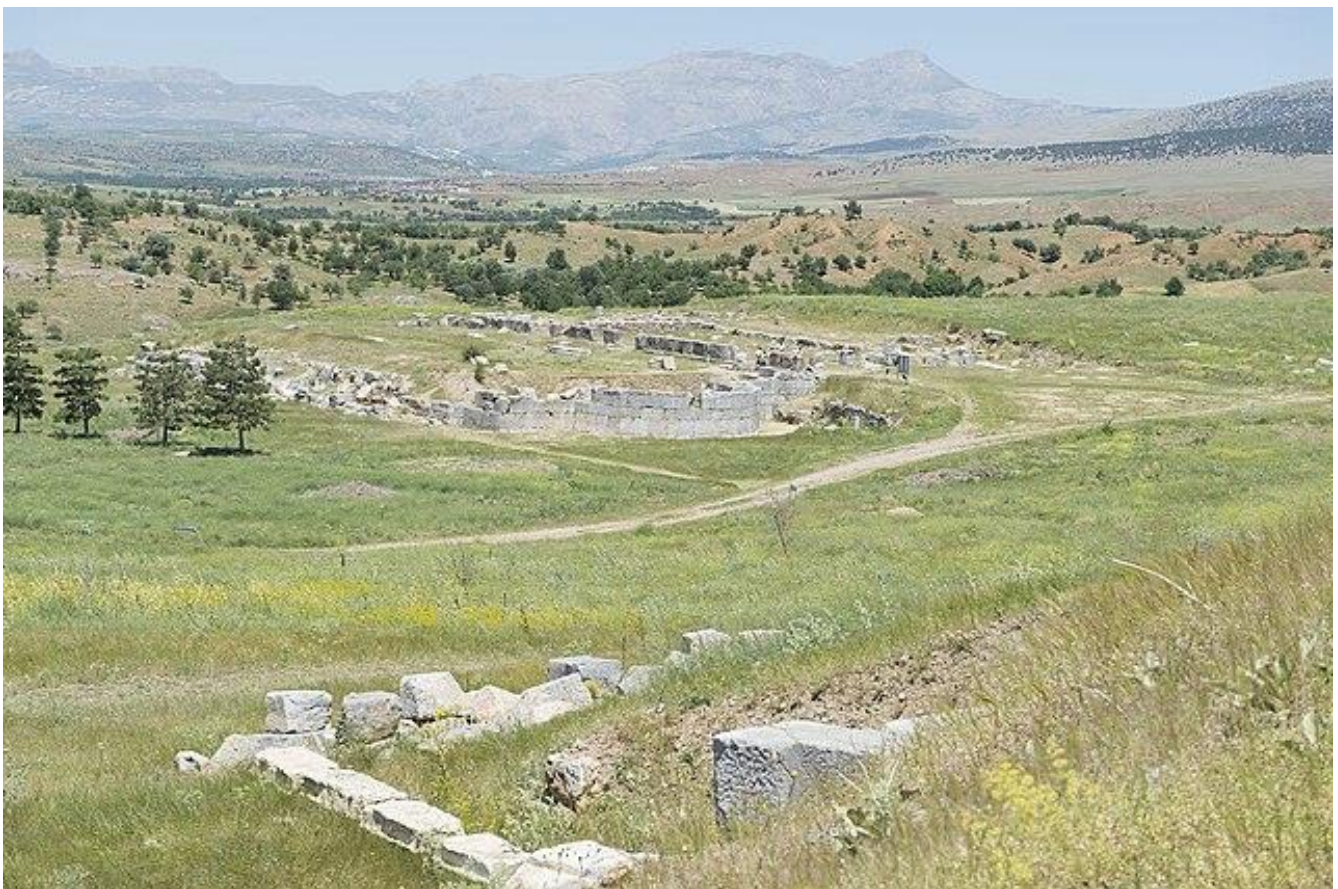
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Galatians 5.13 and 16

Paul says that the Holy Spirit will help us to notice other people's needs and do something to help them.



Family time

Talk How can you work out when other people need help?

Read *The Smartest Giant in Town* by Julia Donaldson.

Pray
Loving God,

thank you for the gift of your Spirit.
Help us to live by your Spirit.
Help us to notice when others are in need and find ways to help them.
Amen.

Activity time



Draw in what is missing from each item of food.



Find the words from today's story in the word search.

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g	d	u	n	n	j	r	p	c	n
u	f	g	n	x	r	i	e	e	f
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d	q	n	r	i	j	o	e	l	m
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v	g	t	i	o	x	i	t	h	r
z	b	w	m	q	l	b	u	r	e
c	c	v	i	g	n	b	u	b	s

- friends
- chosen
- freedom
- serve
- love
- guided
- Spirit



Write about when you did something kind for someone else.

ROOTS children's Sheet
