OAKSHAW ORACLE

A warm welcome to all visitors who are reading this online version of our worship. Today's Worship video can be found on the church Web site and Facebook page.

We start off by being able to join with the congregation singing Hymn 63 'All people that on earth do dwell' from a recording made in 2001.

The Anthem and Music for meditation have been chosen by our Choir Master David Murray. The anthem today is taken from a recording made of David Murray and Oakshaw Trinity Choir in 2004 and the Music for Meditation is 'Where Corals Lie' from Sea Pictures by Elgar.

The video is available on the website http://www.oakshawtrinity.org.uk/music (Music menu) and on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity.

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WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn: No. 63

All people that on earth do dwell,

PRAYER

Chosen Hymn: 251

I, the Lord of sea and sky

READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

Reader: Gail McGregor

ANTHEM

At the Name of Jesus

READING: John 3:14-21

Reader: Margaret Pearson

Hymn: No. 567

Focus my eyes on you, O Lord,

SERMON

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hymn: CH3 No. 510

Lord of light, whose Name outshineth,

THE BENEDICTION & DRESDEN AMEN

SERMON NOTES

Considering Good Works

My text for today is Ephesians 2:10, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

When you do good to another, you gladden, strengthen, and enrich their lives. How true this has been when we look back over the past year.

However, on the other hand, when we fail to do good works, we fail the purpose for which we were created. If this is recognised, we should be



interested in some specific forms of good works which are included in God's plans for us. The first thing I would put on the list is an item that Jesus specifically named.

One day some people asked him: "What must we do, to be doing the work of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him who he has sent."

<u>PRAYER</u>: Caring God, we thank you for the promises of Christ, your Son. Help us to look upon him as the inspiration of our love and service, and to give you thanks for the many who mother us today in our midst who are helping us through this pandemic...



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TODAY:

Due to the continued Government restrictions on Public Gatherings, Sunday Services will continue on line. To have a weekly Hymn request by the please send this along with up to 30 words of their reasons for choosing it. Please telephone the Church Office with your request.

Hymn is 251 was chosen by Joyce Jackson as it has



lovely lyrics which makes you feel you are having a conversation with God, it is also very inspiring and a lovely tune.

COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS:

The Scottish Government have relaxed the lockdown levels with effect from the 25th March. This will enable us to return to worship with a congregation of 50 from Palm Sunday and Holy Week. As before, you

are asked to book in advance through the booking email address or by telephone. Please be aware that priority will be given to anyone who is unable to be allocated a seat when subsequent bookings are being made. Further details will be issued next week.

Tuesday openings will resume after Easter.





OAKSHAW TRINITY COOKBOOK:

We have received many recipes for our Fundraiser Cookbook., However what we are looking for to complete our cookbook are starters and desserts. To submit recipes please either email or post to Isabel Pearson oakshawchurch@gmail.com.



SATURDAY CLUB:

The Saturday Club now hold a time of 'Saturday Club From The Sofa.' This takes place on Facetime at 3pm on Saturdays. Please feel free to join in and keep us up to date

with how you have been coping.

ORGANISATIONS:

Our organisations still continue to remain in contact each week through social media. This will continue until we can meet together.

DID YOU KNOW...

- a. 97% of bee and butterfly habitat have been lost since WW2.
- b. Every 3rd mouthful of food is produced by crops pollinated by bees. Flowering plants rely on bees to produce fruit and seeds. Please consider Bee bombs or wildflowers to help restore natural habitats.

CORONAVIRUS

Please do look out for your letter from the NHS calling you for your vaccine and do not answer any communication that asks for Bank details. Details and lots of extra information about Church events can be found on the web Oakshaw Trinity Church: www.oakshawtrinity.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/oakshawtrinity

Walk with me and surround me with Your light; lead me and guide me in Your footsteps. During this season of Lent help me to follow You and imitate Your love.

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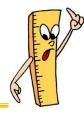
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Children's Page Oracle 14th March 2021



One of my favourite Bible verses begins, "For God so loved the world." I was thinking about that verse and wondering just how great God's love is and how we could measure it.

Say we were making some cookies, We could use a measuring cup, to make sure that we put in exactly the right amount of flour, sugar, and milk? but I wonder if we might use a measuring cup to measure God's love? The Bible says, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want....my cup runneth over" (Psalm 23:1,5). Well, if our cup runs over with God's love, I guess we couldn't use a measuring cup to measure it.

If we were building something ,we could use a tape measure , but I wonder if we could use a tape measure to measure God's love?

The Bible tells us that God's love is higher than the heavens (Psalm 108:4). If God's love is higher than the heavens, I don't think a tape measure would do.

What else can we use to measure things, Time, we can use a watch to measure time. I wonder if we could use a watch to measure how long God's love will last. The Bible tells us that God's love is from everlasting to everlasting (Psalm 103:17). Wow! If God's love is from everlasting to everlasting, I guess we couldn't measure it with a watch.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." How do you measure a love like that? We can't measure it. We don't need to, but we do need to experience it.

My prayer for you today is, "That you may understand how wide, how long, how high, and how deep His love really is. May you experience it, though it is so great you will never fully understand it" (Ephesians 3:18-19).

Dear God, we thank You for Your love—a love so great that You gave Your one and only Son so that we could have eternal life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Measuring God's Love

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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