

OAKSHAW ORACLE

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

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 Song Without Words No. 48 by Mendelssohn.

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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OAKSHAW ORACLE WELCOME CALL TO WORSHIP

Chosen Hymn: No. 184

Sing to the Lord a joyful song,

PRAYER

Hymn: No. 489

Come down, O Love Divine,

READING: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Reader: Caroline Cowan

ANTHEM

At the name of Jesus

READING: Mark 6:1-13

Reader: Thomas Blane

Hymn: No. 348

Praise the one who breaks the darkness

SERMON

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hymn: No. 130

Ye servants of God,

THE BENEDICTION & DRESDEN AMEN

SERMON NOTES

Without Honour

This incident in Jesus hometown of Nazareth is a preview of what the nation would finally do. The question we ask; is what went wrong in Nazareth?

The first thing we notice is the astonishment of his fellow Nazarenes.

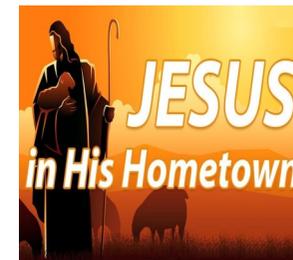
Jesus' actions had been utterly sensational. News of these things would surely have reached the

ears of his own townsfolk. Mark goes on to say that the people of Nazareth stumbled and went in a negative direction with their own astonishment.

This is what shocked Jesus. His neighbours and his relatives refused to consider that he might have a broader and deeper relationship with God than any of the other Nazarenes. The real danger of unbelief is that it cuts us off from the good that might have been done for us. Many of us have grown up knowing Jesus. We say that he is the source of our life. But we expect little more than familiar things to happen to us.

God forbid that Jesus will ever walk away from us amazed that we understand so little of him.

PRAYER: *God help us to accept the challenges of life that will come before us with the expectation that Jesus will do great things for us...*



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TODAY:

11a.m. Morning Worship conducted by Rev. Gordon Armstrong .



NEXT SUNDAY:

11a.m. Morning Worship conducted by Rev. Gordon Armstrong. Booking in advance is not required, although we are still required to complete the Track & Trace Cards where you sit. As always, **every** seat in the Church is **yours**, especially as we still have to keep 2 metres distancing.



Hymn 184 was chosen by Elaine Duncan. During the first lockdown whilst watching the Sunday Services, I started to read the words on screen not just sing them. Some of them were deeply meaningful, some made me sad, some made me smile remembering happier times/events and lifted my spirits. A strong and powerful prayer set to music.

WEEKLY CHURCH OPENING:

Rev. Gordon Armstrong and Rev. George Lind will be available in the Church on Tuesdays from 11am – 3pm. Prayers will be said on the hour.



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.



MISSION FUND—Return of Boxes:



Boxes can be handed into the Church on Tuesdays between 11 and 3p.m. or any Sunday Service.

STAMP APPEAL:

Barbara Copleton is still collecting used stamps for the Church of Scotland Appeal.



THANK YOU:

EMEC would like to thank all the congregation for their continued support in the green recovery for Scotland and the wider world from Covid 19. Please visit the website for more ideas.



The Wynd can benefit from the charity awards from Amazon Go. To participate at no cost, go to smile.amazon.co.uk select your purchase and choose the Wynd Centre as your chosen charity.



A PRAYER FOR GOD'S CREATION

Lord of life and giver of hope,
we pledge ourselves to care for creation,
to reduce our waste, to live sustainably,
and to value the rich diversity of life.
May your wisdom guide us,
that life in all its forms may flourish,
and we may be faithful in voicing creation's praise.
May the commitment we have made this day
be matched by our faithful living.
Amen

Details and lots of extra information about Church events can be found on the web Oakshaw Trinity Church: www.oakshawtrinity.org
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Children's Page Oracle 4th July 2021



Hero Trait : Bravery

Definition : To do what is right even when you are afraid

Comic superhero : Wonder woman

Bible Hero - Esther

Our lesson today is about a beautiful young woman who became a queen and saved her people from being destroyed by an evil enemy. I think she would definitely fit into the category of Super Hero.

This is a story of an evil man named Haman, a king named Xerxes, a man named Mordecai, and his beautiful cousin who was an orphan. Her name was Esther which means "star".

Esther was a Jewish girl who had been taken captive. After her parents died, she was adopted by a family member, Mordecai, who raised her as his own daughter.

King Xerxes needed a new queen (the previous queen was banished because of her disrespect and disobedience) and Esther was selected from many young women. Everyone liked her .

Haman was a high ranking official and did not like the Jews. He particularly did not like Mordecai. So Haman decided to destroy all of his people, which were also Esther's people. The king was unaware that Esther was Jewish. What was Esther to do? She did not want her people to be destroyed. She was afraid if she asked the king to halt Haman's plan, she would die and if she did not ask the king, her people would be destroyed including her cousin Mordecai.

Esther prayed. Her servants prayed. Mordecai prayed. The Jewish people prayed. Then Esther decided to go before the king. She was very brave and loved her people and God very much. She saved her people from Haman's evil plan . Gods work, His guidance, and His protection was there for Esther just as it is for us.

When we listen to God, we can do great things.

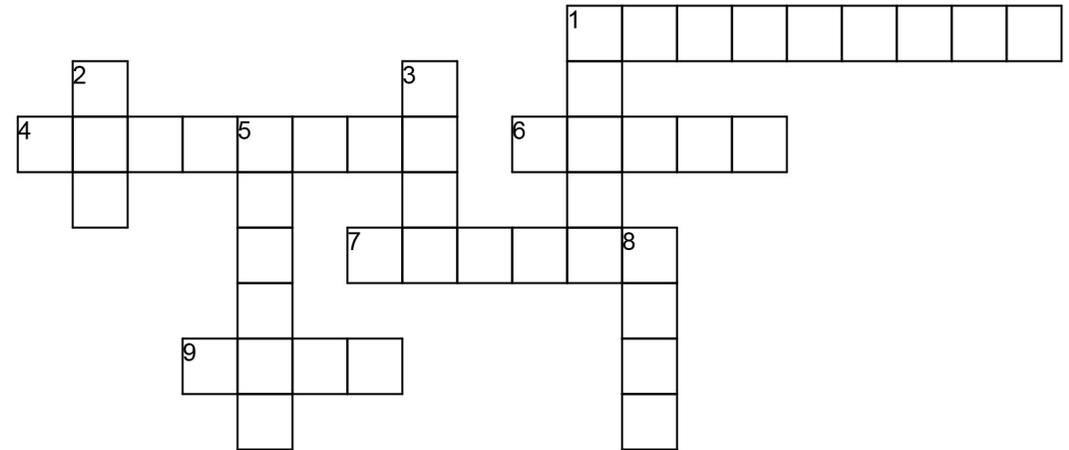
Prayer: Thank you for brave people who spread your Word and thank you for all of the heroes of the Bible. Amen



Esther - The Brave Queen

If you keep quiet at a time like this, deliverance and relief for the Jews will arise from some other place, but you and your relatives will die. Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for just such a time as this?" Esther 4:14

The puzzle is based on the story of Queen Esther.



HORIZONTAL

- Xerxes chose Esther because she was _____.
- A cousin who adopted Esther.
- An evil leader who wanted to destroy all the Jews.
- The events in the book of Esther happened when _____ was king.
- The people of Queen Esther.

VERTICAL

- To show courage; to be unafraid in time of danger
- His name is not mentioned in the book of Esther.
- Mordecai thought Esther became queen for a _____ such as this.
- The beautiful queen that saved the Jews from King Xerxes.
- The meaning of the name Esther.

STAR	XERXES	HAMAN	BEAUTIFUL	BRAVE
MORDECAI	JEWS	GOD	ESTHER	TIME