

# Holy Trinity Church Utrecht and Anglican Church Zwolle



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*Illustration of Revelation 14:14-21 from the so-called Beatus Facundus, Spain, 11<sup>th</sup> century.*



# September 2015 Newsletter

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*Cover Image:* Facundus made a copy in 1047 of an earlier manuscript on Revelation. “The style is neither naturalistic nor realistic, yet the miniature is definitely showing a reality. This we discover when we, just like the first users, put Revelation 14 next to it: the text is almost literally portrayed. But what is this ‘cartoon’ about? It deals with Christ’s return to the earth at the completion of history to gather the fruits of his labour. All who have lived in communion with him are brought together in the New Jerusalem. But his enemies will not enter there. They will perish in the wine press of the wrath of God... What is so special about these ‘ingenious primitives’, as Frits van der Meer calls them, is that ‘these things were literally in their mind, so clearly as only a believing soul is able to call them to mind.’” **Ida Slump-Schoonhoven** is coordinator of ForumC-kunst, this excerpt is taken from www.Artway.eu

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## Chaplain's Letter

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Ever since I was a child I've always enjoyed this time of year, as the weather turns cooler, and one feels a kind of reinvigoration to accompany the return to school, to learning new things and to meeting again with

friends. We have some of that same experience as adults, I hope, and here at Holy Trinity as we return after summer holidays and to the coming year together.

We return to our normal patterns of worship with choir accompaniment on Sundays with Choral Evensong on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays of the month and with the Gospel Band leading our All Age Worship on the first Sundays and the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday nights of the month. And of course, Sunday School has resumed!

The work of the Church Council starts with an Away Weekend September 11 to 12. We will discuss: (1) "Coming together: Fostering unity and involvement"; (2) "Planting the Amersfoort church and Replanting HTC Utrecht"; (3) "Involvement with and understanding of Anglicanism"; and (4) "Outreach into the local community and wider afield with social and charitable support". Please hold the Council in your prayers as we plan our mission and ministry.

One highlight of the Away Weekend will be a visit from our new Amersfoort Chaplain, the Rev. Grant Crowe. For those of you who have not read the internet article, here is a little about Grant's background.

Grant now serves as Team Vicar within Central Telford Parish, in Lichfield Diocese, with special responsibility for St Leonard's Church in Malinslee and for St John's Church in Lawley. He has served there since August 2007.

Grant grew up in Belfast, Northern Ireland. He received a Bachelor of Law (LLB) in

Law and American Studies from Keele University, Staffordshire in 1996. He did his training for ordination at Cranmer Hall, St John's College in Durham receiving a BA in Theology and Ministry in 2003. He also received a Master of Theology in Mission from Union Theological College, Queens University, Belfast in 2007. His dissertation topic was *The impact of African Christianity upon the contemporary English Church*.

Grant served as a missionary for two years with Operation Mobilisation (OM) in Budapest with a Hungarian Reformed church mainly involved in youth discipleship and street evangelism from 1997-1999. He has also done shorter mission work in Edinburgh and in the Ukraine.



Grant has a Dutch wife, Jolanda, and two children, Callum and Thirza, ages 8 and 5. Jolanda also worked for OM and that is where she and Grant first met. She is from Friesland and has a large extended family here.

God willing, the Crowe family will move to Amersfoort in mid November, and they will join us for worship in Utrecht for a few weeks and then hopefully begin services in Amersfoort by Christmas.

We are thankful for the way God has lead us and we are full of hope and anticipation.

In the love of Jesus, David ✠

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# Christian student life in Utrecht

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*This outline of student ministry in Utrecht is from Judith Riet.*



The new school year has started and in Utrecht that means the university and colleges have started as well. Did you know the city welcomes 15,000 new students every year? About 20%

of the city population is student.

Perhaps you have noticed the influx of students cycling badly, who try to get to college on time by blatantly ignoring all other traffic and traffic lights. (I have to confess, although I am not a student anymore I still exhibit the same behaviour when I cycle to work). Also, the bustle on Thursday nights in the city centre is hard to miss. Thursday is the day for students to go out for the evening, for on Friday everybody naturally takes the train back home to take advantage of the cooking and laundry service at home!



Last August saw the city-wide Utrechtse Introductie Tijd (UIT) activities, where new students can explore the city and orientate to the student life.

It is exactly ten years ago that I 'walked the UIT', and I remember the exciting feeling that the rest of my life was finally beginning. The UIT is also an opportunity for student associations to present themselves to the new students.

How many of the 15,000 new students are looking for a new Christian environment to find friends and activities? It is hard to guess. Utrecht has six Christian student

associations (apart from the international student ministry, which focuses on English speaking students).

There is:

- SSR-NU (the oldest, funded in 1906),
- NSU (the largest with over 500 members),
- Ichthus (the happiest, ask Rosemarie),
- Sola Scriptura (the most biblical, I guess),
- Ultrajectum (focussed on HBO-students), and
- VGSU (I really don't know anything about VGSU, sorry!)

Why so many? I guess the chasms of denominations still run deep... But luckily they realize that cooperation and ecumenism is important, also in student life. The Broederoverleg Christelijke Studenten (BOCS for short) is the umbrella organisation that represents the interest of all Christian student associations in the university and in the city. They also organize cooperative events between the student associations. Did you know last year's president of the BOCS was Erik Heemskerk (right), who is our new Coordinator of Student Ministry at HTC? He will most likely be very happy to tell you a lot more about the BOCS and the Christian student life in Utrecht.



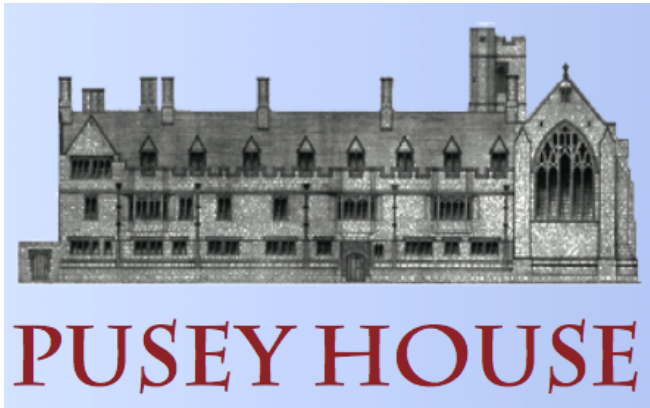
But the most important thing: let us pray that all Christian students find a home and spiritual growth in one of the student associations or in other places, and that not one of the 15,000 will feel alone. ✂



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## Update from our Man in Oxford: Thomas Fink-Jensen

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Dear friends of Holy Trinity Utrecht,

It is an absolute delight to write you at the beginning of a new school year of my adventures here in the land of mountain's green, pleasant pastures, clouded hills, among dark Satanic Mills and so in England's green and pleasant land.

After a long holiday this summer my role is changing quite a bit for the coming year, but still in familiar surroundings. Last year I spent most of my time at Pusey House, helping to organise lectures, hospitality, homeless and community volunteering, running the library and the daily round of four or five Church services.



This year I will still be involved at Pusey House, but mainly to help the two new Chapel Interns there to do the work. Meaning I will be busy during the start of the year and especially once

Oxford Term starts again, but less so over the course of the year.

The plan is to be more involved in daily Parish life and ministry. For that I will spend a lot of my time at St Barnabas in Jericho, Oxford. That will mean I will be there most Sundays, daily for the offices, assisting with funerals, weddings and baptisms and with all sorts of jobs that need doing. They also appointed me as

their Children and Youth coordinator and thus I'll be quite involved at St Barnabas School, with the Junior Choir, Youth groups and Sunday Schools. I love doing that as I still miss my time as a teacher back in the Netherlands.

I recently moved to live in the old vicarage of St Thomas the Martyr. That is an ancient church in which Thomas Becket possibly preached himself. In recent years the congregation has diminished for all sorts of reasons, but now that parish will be joined with St Barnabas and become a chapel-of-ease within the united benefice. It means the church will be available for all sorts of exiting plans, most of which still need to be started and thought of.

But we recently started a Saturday night Vigil in preparation of the Sunday with a beautiful liturgy which looks promising when it comes to attendance. Also we work in close relationship with the Romanian Orthodox who started using the building for their services, did a lot of work in the Churchyard and meet a lot of people walking through it (as it is a shortcut for many on the way to the railway station). I'll be sharing the house with three other people and we're all committed to do missionary work in the place. We're currently thinking about an Alpha Course, children's service, messy church, homeless shelter, daily offices, opening the church up for prayer and meditation during the day, providing hospitality for the neighbourhood and so on. Thoughts in all directions as you can tell and way too many to get started on all of them. But if we could get a good start on one or two of them that would be great.

Meanwhile I'm still in the discernment process for the priesthood as well. For that conversations are still happening regularly, essays need to be written and prayers

offered. The next and final steps, D.V., will involve two more conferences with a lot of interviews and meetings. One meeting is in October with the Diocese in Europe and then hopefully before March with the final stage of a BAP – Bishop's Advisory Panel. We'll have to see when we get there, but that seems to be the plan for now. Giving time and space to mull things over on all sides and praying for the right outcome and plans.

In the meantime you are not forgotten here in Oxford, but quite present in my prayers and thoughts. I very much enjoyed seeing many of you again over the summer and look forward together with you to the moment when time and space no longer separate us.

With my very best wishes and prayers,  
Thomas Fink-Jensen ☩

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## Bible Studies in 2015 – 2016: The Church as the Bride of Christ

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The focus in the previous 12 months was on women in the Bible to learn from their lives, their relations with God and other people and their role in fulfilling God's plan.

First we studied the life of women from the Old Testament.

After Lent we continued with the life of Jewish women, e.g. witnesses of Christ's life and resurrection and gentile women who became believers through the spreading of the gospel, as mentioned in the New Testament.

The structure of these studies was what can we learn from the life and acting of these women for:

- our private life as Christians,
- as Holy Trinity community,
- as worldwide church on her way to the Kingdom of God,
- for our service to the world?

In the coming period we hope to study the Biblical vision about the Church as the Bride of Christ and the letters given to the Apostle John to the seven churches in Asia (Revelation 2 and 3).

**We start this new Bible Study series on the Church as the Bride of Christ on Tuesday Sept 9.**

The Bible Study will be held in the Parsonage, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month

Starting at 8pm.

Coffee/tea at 7:45pm

NB Everybody is welcome. Let us as brothers and sisters in the Lord, have a fruitful growth in being Christ's church!



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## August Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Walsingham

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Following the article in last March's Newsletter sent in by Tjeerd Bijl from St. John and St. Philip, a few of us from Anglican churches in the Netherlands made our Pilgrimage to the lovely English village of Walsingham to the Anglican Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, in August.

We had a truly blessed moving time of meditation, divine service, healing, anointing and reconciliation interspersed with coffee breaks, delicious meals and time to walk, ponder, chat in the peaceful neatly kept gardens where many wooden



seats dedicated to those who shared in the life were placed for our enjoyment. We walked the Stations of the Cross set out all round the grounds following the words of a service and singing hymns.

On one evening we processed around the grounds lit by candlelight carrying a Statue of Our Lady and Child while singing hymns to celebrate Mary in honour of the Assumption Festival on August 15.

Tjeerd gave us a good resume of the history of the Shrine (see March 2015 Newsletter) so I do not have to repeat it here. It is the Anglican Shrine to Our Lady of Walsingham. It is believed that Mary appeared in a vision to Richeldis de Faverches, a devout English noblewoman in 1061 AD instructing her to build a Holy House which later became a Shrine and place of Pilgrimage.



There we heard several interesting homilies led by different Anglican Fathers on the value of beauty in all around us, healing of those we love and care about and Bishop Lindsay Urwin OGS recommended a very good easy to read book *The Jesuit Guide to (almost)*

*everything* by James Martin SJ. A good read, that I can endorse.



One of the chapels attached to the Shrine Church, I discovered, was dedicated by Mervyn, Bishop of Southwark, who confirmed me into the Church of England many moons ago in my youth.

The Shrine village is a glorious mixture for all races to enjoy. It is open to the public to walk through or to visit the Norton café offering coffee and refreshments or to join in the varied services of worship. There are several different chapels to worship in with the group you are with or with the Fathers and Nuns present.

I thoroughly recommend that everybody makes this Pilgrimage at least once in their life before we leave this mortal life.

Written by your editor. Judy Miller ☩

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## Three evenings about Art at the Anglican Church in Zwolle!

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*Anglican Church Zwolle Leadership Team has been organizing with Marleen Hengelaar-Rookmaaker some public lectures on Christian Art for this November and December. Please note these dates in your calendar and join us if you can!*

Dates:

1 **Thursday 5 November**, Marleen Hengelaar-Rookmaaker about *Looking at Art*

2 **Tuesday 17 November**, Henrie Vogel about *Postmodern Art*

3 **Tuesday 1 December**, Marleen Hengelaar-Rookmaaker about *Advent in Art*

1. The first evening will lead us into the world of art, a world that many find quite incomprehensible and hard to enter. Marleen Hengelaar-Rookmaaker will give some guidelines for looking at art with examples of old and contemporary art. We will also ponder the question how works of art can become a source of spiritual nourishment for us.

2. The second evening will focus on postmodern art. Henrie Vogel will give an overview of recent developments in the visual arts. He will illustrate his talk with a few hundred images. He will explore the main themes in postmodern art and will make clear that this art does not show a radical break with the past. But what is it that this art is trying to do and say? This evening may change your view of the world.

3. The third evening will help us enter the spirit of Advent by looking at works of art by old and especially contemporary Christian artists and by listening to some Advent music. What are the central themes of Advent and how have they been portrayed?

**Marleen Hengelaar-Rookmaaker** is editor-in-chief of *ArtWay*, [www.artway.eu](http://www.artway.eu), a website about the visual arts and faith and an online resource for individuals and



congregations. She did her studies in musicology at the University of Amsterdam. She edited the *Complete Works* of her father, art historian Hans Rookmaaker and wrote numerous articles about popular music, liturgy, and the visual arts. In 2012 she published a book of daily visual meditations for Lent through Easter (*Jezus voor ogen*) and in 2015 she co-authored a handbook for visual art in the church (*Handboek voor kunst in de kerk*). She lives in Zwolle.



**Henrie Vogel** is visual artist and coach. He lives in a restored farm on Kampereiland near Kampen, in the delta of the river IJssel. In his spacious studio he paints and gives painting lessons, workshops and courses. He also coaches people with the help of visual techniques. See: [www.henrievogel.nl](http://www.henrievogel.nl)

Doors open at 7.30pm with coffee, talks start 8 pm ending at 9.30 pm, refreshment and fellowship until 10 pm. ⌘



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## CHOIR INVITATION: Choral Evensong & Annual Carol service

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*Henk Korff, our Director of Music has asked me to include this invitation to our readers to join with our choir in taking part in our regular services*

Do you like singing?

Why not join our choir?

We rehearse every Thursday evening in the church hall from 8 pm till 10 pm.

Yes, we do have a tea break somewhere in the middle. Often biscuits are available but singers know that this is not the highlight of the evening the practising of the music and finally 'perform' it in Divine Service is our goal.

With music we hope to enhance the service for the worshippers in Holy Trinity Church. Above all we sing to the glory of God.

If you wonder what the commitment might be then we hasten to explain that there is no need to sing at every service. With the other members in the voice group we try to get a 4 part choir together at the morning service. For

Choral Evensong and the upcoming Carol Service it is different. Then we try to get all singers in the stalls. By mentioning these special services I like to point out that you may choose to rehearse and sing only for the Choral Evensong or you choose to sing only Carols. In the past we practice carols in the first part of Thursday evening. After the break we will work on the music for our monthly Choral Evensong. Why do you not come and see what it is all about on a Thursday evening? If you prefer information before hand then please contact me or speak to one of the choir members - they would welcome your contact. There are also information cards waiting for you on the shelf in the South Porch. We look forward to hearing from you.

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## Thema-avond over Antisemitisme - September 15

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*Henk Korff has that this information about a USRK event in Dutch be included.*

De Utrechtse Stedelijke Raad van kerken organiseert een thema-avond over antisemitisme. 'Antisemitisme is welbeschouwd nooit anders geweest dan een ietwat beschaafder klinkende naam voor Jodenhaat.' Aldus de historicus Johan Huizinga.

Wat is antisemitisme eigenlijk? Begint het bij Haman (in het bijbelboek Esther) die de uitroeiing van alle joden wil omdat hij zich in zijn eer aangetast voelt? De Romeinse keizers (in de voorchristelijke tijd) spelen nogal eens Joden uit tegen andere bevolkingsgroepen om de smeltkroes van volkeren in bedwang te houden. Dan komt het soms tot heftige reacties tegenover de Joden. Is dat antisemitisme? Maakt de evangelist Johannes er zich schuldig aan als hij zo vaak negatief spreekt over 'de Joden'? Of Is het juist de kerk waarbinnen al heel vroeg het antisemitisme is opgekomen!? En wat is het dan? Behalve een omschrijving

ligt er ook nog de vraag wat antisemitisme is in onze verhouding tot God. Stemmen we in met de verklaring van de Wereldraad van Kerken (1948) dat antisemitisme opstand tegen God is? Over deze dingen gaat het eerste deel die avond. In het tweede deel van die avond komt de vraag aan de orde wat de Bijbel er over zegt. Het derde deel van de avond is gereserveerd voor het onderling gesprek: Hoe staan wij, met name in het licht van wat de Bijbel hier over zegt, ten opzichte van het Jodendom.

Datum: 15 september 2015.

Plaats: Jeruëlkapel – Ivoordreef 2 – Utrecht

Aanvang: 20.00 u. (vanaf 19.30 u. inloop) – afsluiting 22.00 u.

C.P. Bouman

Wilt u nadere informatie? 030.8795340 of 06.12613288 ✉

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## Malaysian Trip: Penang 2015 Brad Hansen

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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

On a snowy winter February morning I departed from Amsterdam for a 3 month mission trip to Asia. My plane touched down at Kuala Lumpur International airport after a 13 hour flight. Once the aircraft doors open the “warm blanket of tropical heat greets you like a thick Russian fur coat. I was greeted by my friend Reuben Seevaratnam who is the senior pastor of Global Harvest Assembly,



Penang. For the next 3 months “my home” would be a simple church office in a suburban area of Penang, furnished with a

bed and a shower, but no TV and no washing machine. I was living next to a Baptist day church and day care centre and was pleasantly surprised to be woken up 6 days a week at 7.30am by 100 children who gathered on the driveway at the day centre. They started their day by singing Christian songs like “*Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so...*”

My office was used by the church for meetings and gatherings 6 days in the week from 8 am till 11.30 pm. At times it was unbearably hot inside the office with temperatures passing 40c with little or no air-conditioning but I was grateful that I had a roof over my head and a bed to sleep in as often I would find my friend Safar sleeping in a condemned broken bus shelter or on a bench after the restaurant had closed.

Life had its daily challenges there as the tropical rains and thunder hit us. Then the power was out for hours on end and a candle was our only source of light. I

needed to keep my toothpaste lotions in the fridge otherwise they nearly melted away. Also I needed to buy bottled water.

In a first world country we take what we have for granted: the convenience of supermarkets, a comfortable warm home and abundance of food on our tables. I’ve travelled around on a bus and by foot and I have met many the locals and stall owners. Daily life is a challenge in Asia for so many of the population and the “mentality of surviving from one day to the next” is what life is about for so many here.

I found the Asian people I met are open to the Gospel, caring, kind hearted and very humble people and in their culture they can't say no, so I had to be careful what I asked. Also confronting people is not in



their nature or character so it was challenging at times. There were so many needs there on every street corner and people were constantly begging for money or food. Many times I gave

away some fruit or dry crackers that I had in my back pack and the reaction of thanks was heart breaking. Sometimes I simply had to say no, much as it pained me to do so, as you become overwhelmed by the poverty and “daily cries for help”.

The mission trip went well and the church was committed to 4 evening prayer meetings and weekly bible studies. Our weekly Thursday night prayer meetings lasted 5 hours in warm conditions but most church members never complained. They sang and their fervent prayers for others and for the body of Christ were something that we could learn from in Europe. My



main task was to help the Pastor mentor the youth leaders, lead the prayer meetings/ bible studies and do various other duties within the church. The youth group had weekly evangelical outreaches and Sunday school also meet on Saturday afternoons which involved the neighbourhood and locals residents. We also served food on a number of nights per week to various groups and I was the Chef preparing some



international dishes. I got to know some lovely local people and neighbours during my stay in Penang and I

still have regular contact with many friends that I made there.

Most nights when I was alone I spent a lot of time reading, praying or walking the streets. I needed to be careful of bag snatching, packs of wild, stray dogs and open uncovered drains. It is such a different culture and I needed to adapt to many changes for example men with men and no mixing with women at all. Being



alone gave me time to think, pray and meditate on the now and later. During my trip I read a book called “*Sacred Rhythms: Arranging Our Lives for Spiritual Transformation*” by Ruth Harley Barton.

Perhaps the deepest refreshment is the invitation to renew the soul through worship and quiet reflection which I had the opportunity to do there.



In closing, this trip during the past 3 months and travelling throughout Asia has challenged me to the core of my being and has been a huge learning curve. I’m deeply grateful for the little things that we take for granted daily. My experiences in Asia have changed my life and attitude for the better, bringing me closer to Christ. It has not been easy to return to Europe and live in a “hardened rich society”. In closing as Saint Paul said in the Epistles: how we need to be thankful in little or with plenty, and that is a lesson that I have learned and I think we can all learn as fellow Christians.[Philippians 4:12] It is really an eye-opener to realize that we Westerners live a life that 95% of the population can only dream of.

I was very grateful to hear occasionally “from the home front” and from some of you via emails, fb or what apps as. In particular I’m thankful to Father David and Anne Miechielsen (prayer team) for daily holding me up in their prayers. Let us remember to pray for those less fortunate than we are and to use our resources in a wise manner to make our world a better place.

May God bless each one of you. Yours sincerely, Brad Hansen ✍

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## Shelter

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*Here is this month's poem from Oeke Kruythof in Dutch, the English translation / transcreation is by Jenny Narraway.*

### Schuilplaats.

*Vleugellam*

*soms zo moe gedacht—*

*maar met jou*

*mijn lief*

*ontstijg ik*

*alle zwaartekracht.*

### Shelter.

*Broken-winged*

*too weary to think*

*but*

*with you*

*my love-*

*an unbelievable dream...*

*I take wing*

*soaring high*

*defying*


*gravity.*

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## September Charitable Givings

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*At every 11am service we use a blue bag for special offerings for particular charities.*

Sept 06	Stichting Noodopvang Dakloze Vreemdelingen Utrecht (SNDVU) helps homeless refugees in Utrecht	The SNDVU provides housing, medical care and legal assistance to asylum seekers who are not entitled to public benefits but can not return to their country of origin. They also offer these vulnerable people the stability needed to build a future. <a href="http://www.sndvu.org">www.sndvu.org</a>
Sept 13	Zusters van Moeder Theresa provide a women's shelter in Amsterdam	The Missionaries of Charity (also known as Sisters of Mother Theresa) help alcoholics, drug addicts, lonely, people with intellectual disabilities, the sick and any others who have been alienated by society. The sisters provide meals, home visits and women's shelters. <a href="http://meeaz.socialekaartnederland.nl/organisaties/missionaries-of-charity-maaltijden-en-vrouwenopvang-amsterdam">meeaz.socialekaartnederland.nl/organisaties/missionaries-of-charity-maaltijden-en-vrouwenopvang-amsterdam</a>
Sept 20	Rotterdam Mission for Seafarers supports crews in harbours far from home.	No matter what problem a seafarer is facing, be it injury, abandonment, non-payment of wages or personal difficulties, they know they can turn to the local Mission for help, advice and support. Chaplains and volunteers offer practical and financial support, advocacy services, family liaison or simply a space to talk in a time of crisis. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/MtSRotterdam">www.facebook.com/MtSRotterdam</a>
Sept 27	Vlissingen Mission for Seafarers supports crews in harbours far from home.	The Mission offers an opportunity for crews to get into touch with their overseas relatives and friends by telephone or via the Internet. There is a chapel and the pastor/clergyman is present when spiritual guidance is needed. <a href="http://www.themissiontoseafarers.nl">www.themissiontoseafarers.nl</a> 

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## St GILES

St Giles was a hermit, someone who lived a quiet life of prayer away from other people. His special day is 1st September and he lived in a forest near Arles in France, sometime in the 9th century.



The story goes that he had a pet deer. One day the King was hunting in the forest and shot an arrow at this deer.

When the huntsmen found the deer it was in a woodland clearing with St Giles. The saint himself was wounded by the arrow and held the deer in his arms - and all around them were the hunting dogs, silent and still as if held by an invisible power.

St Giles is the patron saint of cripples and beggars. His emblem is an arrow and in the United Kingdom there are over 150 churches dedicated to him.

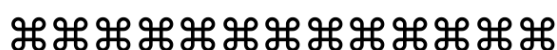


## WOODLAND WORDS

Can you find all these words from the forest? The words go up, down, backwards, forwards and diagonally and some letters are used more than once.

M U S H R O O M S S  
B H M O S D I A S L  
U A O W T V K A K O  
T F D L Y S S O M O  
T N O G L F S R E T  
E I A K E Y A D G S  
R V Y C G R R E E D  
F S N A K E G W O A  
L M M R O W F O X O  
Y E R O M A C Y S T

\* ant \* badger \* butterfly \* deer \*  
fox \* grass \* holly \* ivy \* moss \*  
mushrooms \* oak \* snake \*  
sycamore \* toadstools \* worm \*



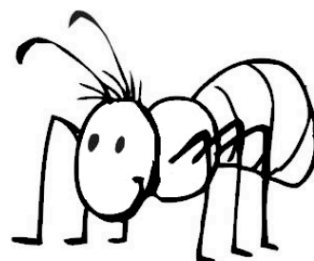
**Did you hear about the car  
with the wooden wheels and  
wooden engine?**

It wooden go.

**What is the smallest ant in the  
world?**

An infant.

**What do  
ants take  
when  
they're ill?**  
Antibiotics.



## Drinking from the Well of Life

This pattern of daily Bible readings is taken from the Book of Common Prayer. It leads us each year through most of the Old Testament, the whole New Testament twice, and the Gospels four times. This ordered reading of the Bible is intended to immerse us in the images and stories of Scripture, to liberate and lead us to rest in the saving doctrine it teaches, and to enflame our hearts with the love of God and our neighbour! ☩

### The Week of Trinity XIII – August 31 to September 5

*Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it comes  
that your faithful people do to you true and laudable service:  
Grant, we beseech you, that we may so faithfully serve you in this life,  
that we fail not finally to attain your heavenly promises;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	Zechariah 7	Romans 8:1-17	Zechariah 8	John 7:1-24
<i>Tuesday</i>	Ezra 7	Romans 8:18-end	Ezra 8:15-end	John 7:25-end
<i>Wednesday</i>	Ezra 9	Romans 9	Ezra 10:1-19	John 8:1-30
<i>Thursday</i>	Nehemiah 1	Romans 10	Nehemiah 2	John 8:31-end
<i>Friday</i>	Nehemiah 4	Romans 11:1-24	Nehemiah 5	John 9
<i>Saturday</i>	Nehemiah 6:1-7:4	Romans 11:25-end	Nehemiah 8	John 10:1-21

### The Week of Trinity XIV – September 7 to 12

*ALMIGHTY and everlasting God,  
give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity;  
and, that we may obtain that which you do promise,  
make us to love that which you do command;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	Nehemiah 9:1-23	Romans 12	Nehemiah 9:24-end	John 10:22-end
<i>Tuesday</i>	Nehemiah 13	Romans 13	Daniel 2:1-24	John 11:1-44
<i>Wednesday</i>	Daniel 2:25-end	Romans 14	Daniel 4:1-18	John 11:45-end
<i>Thursday</i>	Daniel 4:19-end	Romans 15:1-13	Daniel 7:9-end	John 12:1-19
<i>Friday</i>	Daniel 9:1-19	Romans 15:14-end	Daniel 9:20-end	John 12:20-end
<i>Saturday</i>	Daniel 10	Romans 16	Daniel 12	John 13



## The Week of Trinity XV – September 14 to 19

*KEEP, we beseech you, O Lord, your Church with your perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without you cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

	Morning Prayer		Evening Prayer	
Monday	Esther 1	Philippians 1:1-11	Esther 2	John 14:1-14
Tuesday	Esther 3	Philip 1:12-end	Esther 4	John 14:15-end
Wednesday	Esther 5	Philippians 2:1-11	Esther 6 and 7	John 15
Thursday	1 Maccabees 1:1-19	Philip 2:12-end	1 Macc. 1:20-40	John 16:1-15
Friday	1 Macc. 1:41-end	Philippians 3	1 Maccabees 2:1-28	John 16:16-end
Saturday	1 Macc. 3:29-48	Philippians 4	1 Macc. 2:49-end	John 17

## The Week of Trinity XVI – September 21 to 26

*O LORD, we beseech thee, let your continual pity cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your succour, preserve it evermore by your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

	Morning Prayer		Evening Prayer	
Monday	1 Maccabees 3:1-26	Colossians 1:1-20	1 Maccabees 3:27-41	John 18:1-27
Tuesday	1 Macc. 3:42-end	Col 1:21-2:7	1 Maccabees 4:1-25	John 18:28-end
Wednesday	1 Macc. 4:26-35	Colossians 2:8-19	1 Macc. 4:36-end	John 19:1-30
Thursday	1 Maccabees 6:1-17	Col 2:20-3:11	1 Maccabees 6:18-47	John 19:31-end
Friday	1 Maccabees 7:1-20	Col 3:12-4:1	1 Macc. 7:21-end	John 20
Saturday	1 Maccabees 9:1-22	Col 4:2-end	1 Macc. 13:41-14:15	John 21

## The Week of Trinity XVII – September 28 to October 3

*O LORD, we beseech you, absolve your people from their offences; that through your bountiful goodness we may be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.*

	Morning Prayer		Evening Prayer	
Monday	Job 1	Philemon	Job 2	Luke 1:1-13
Tuesday	Job 3	Ephesians 1:1-14	Job 4	Luke 1:14-56
Wednesday	Job 5	Ephesians 1:15-end	Job 6	Luke 1:57-end
Thursday	Job 7	Ephesians 2:1-10	Job 8	Luke 2:1-21
Friday	Job 9	Ephesians 2:11-end	Job 10	Luke 2:22-end
Saturday	Job 11	Ephesians 3	Job 12	Luke 3:1-22

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## WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

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*Services are in English unless otherwise specified.*

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity</b> 9:00 Sung Communion 11:00 All Age Worship - Sung Communion <b>Zwolle</b> - 16:00 Sung Communion
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity</b> 9:00 Sung Communion (Dutch/Eng) 11:00 Sung Communion 14:30 Choral Evensong
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Evening Prayer and Praise Service</b> 19:30 Service of the Word with Gospel Band
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity</b> 9:00 Sung Communion (Dutch/Eng) 11:00 Choral Communion <b>Zwolle</b> - 16:00 Evensong
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	<b>The Feast of St Matthew the Apostle</b> 20:00 Holy Communion
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Harvest Thanksgiving (Trinity 17)</b> 9:00 Sung Communion (Dutch/Eng) – <i>Preacher – R Bromley</i> 11:00 Choral Communion – <i>Preacher – Richard Bromley</i>
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>The Feast of St Michael and All Angels</b> 20:00 Sung Communion

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In addition to the above services, we have these regular midweek services:

Daily:	Morning Prayer (Tuesday to Friday 8.00; Saturday 9.00) and Evening Prayer (Tuesday to Friday 17.30; Saturday 17:00)
Weekly:	Holy Communion (said) (Wednesday at 19.00)

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