

# Vale Benefice Service Sheet

14th June 2026

Second Sunday after Trinity

*Readings selected from:*

Exodus 19:2-8a; Psalm 100; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8; (Matthew 10:9-23)

Jesus' command to his disciples to avoid Gentile and Samaritan towns and to go only "the lost sheep of the house of Israel" seems puzzling. However it's clear that he loved everyone equally and this was just the first phase of why he came. As Paul tells the multi-racial church in Rome, "but God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us." The good news is that God so loved the **world** that he gave his only Son.

## Our Shared Worship

### *14th June – 2nd Sunday after Trinity*

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Miriam Jones

9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Alec Gill

10am Holy Communion, St James', Denchworth – Rev Peter Rich

10.15am Morning Worship, St John's, Grove – Rev Miriam Jones

11am Holy Communion, St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Alec Gill

### *21st June – 3rd Sunday after Trinity*

8am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove - Rev Margot Hodson

9.30am Parish Eucharist, St James', Hanney - Rev Miriam Jones

10am Holy Communion, St James', Denchworth – Rev Alec Gill

10.15am Holy Communion, St John's, Grove –

Rev Margot Hodson and Martin Hodson

11am Holy Communion, St Nicholas', East Challow - Rev Velma Oxley

## BENEFICE MIDWEEK SERVICES

Thursday 18th June 10am Holy Communion at St Nicholas', Challow

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

**Health and healing:** Jeannette R, Margaret D, Father Tony Hogg, Shelley S, Mary L, Rev Dick French, Norah L, Rob S, Peter Ch, Pat B, Susanne C, Wendy R, Katherine S, Laura C, Ursula G & Richard H.

**Friends and families mourning:** Michael Hutchings, Pamela Humphries and Veronica (Vera) Aspinall

**All living in:** Cane Lane, The Willows, Westfield Close, Sharland Close, Ashdown Way, Townsend (Grove); Hyde Road (Denchworth); Alfreds Place (East Hanney)

- For:**
- those living in war zones; aid workers and peace makers
  - those who have been called to Christian ministry
  - those living on their own and all feeling lonely

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MORNING PRAYER

<b>Mon</b>	Psalm 44	Judges 2	Luke 13.1-9
<b>Tue</b>	Psalms 48,52	Judges 4.1-23	Luke 13.10-21
<b>Wed</b>	Psalm 119.57-80	Judges 5	Luke 13.22-end
<b>Thu</b>	Psalms 56,57	Judges 6.1-24	Luke 14.1-11
<b>Fri</b>	Psalms 51,54	Judges 6.25-end	Luke 14.12-24
<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 68	Judges 7	Luke 14.25-end

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