



Peel Valley Congregation

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Psalm 20 (NIV)

¹ May the LORD answer you when you are in distress;
may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.

² May he send you help from the sanctuary and grant you support from Zion.

³ May he remember all your sacrifices and accept your burnt offerings.

⁴ May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed.

⁵ May we shout for joy over your victory and lift up our banners in the name of our God.

May the LORD grant all your requests.

⁶ Now this I know:



The LORD gives victory to his anointed. He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of his right hand.

⁷ Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

⁸ They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm.

⁹ LORD, give victory to the king!

Answer us when we call!

Life is too short

Grudges are a waste of happiness.

Laugh when you can, apologise when you should,
and let go of what you can't change.

Love deeply and forgive quickly.

Life is too short to be unhappy. ~ anon

CHURCH SERVICES

20 June 11 am West ~ Peter Battle



17 June ~ Elphie Lang

18 June ~ Heather Budden



Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17



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Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

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1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 (NIV)

³⁴ Then Samuel left for Ramah, but Saul went up to his home in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵ Until the day Samuel died, he did not go to see Saul again, though Samuel mourned for him. And the LORD regretted that he had made Saul king over Israel.

Samuel Anoints David

16 The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

² But Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me."

The LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate."

⁴ Samuel did what the LORD said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, "Do you come in peace?"

⁵ Samuel replied, "Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me." Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶ When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed stands here before the LORD."

⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either." ⁹ Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, "Nor has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰ Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, "The LORD has not chosen these."

¹¹ So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?"

"There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives."

¹² So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features.


Then the LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one."

¹³ So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We give thanks that Kevin Hoyt is recovering well from his surgery.
- We also give thanks that Daryl Lush is recovering well from a shoulder reconstruction he underwent last week.
- We continue to pray for Victorians, and for the people of India.
- We give thanks for the wonderful medical help available within Tamworth. 
- Laurie wishes to thank everyone who supported him in prayer during his radiation sessions.

Meg's Musings

As I write this on Wednesday, it finally seems fairly certain that our daughter, Rachel, will be able to travel from Perth to visit us for a few days.

Covid19 has surrounded her plans with uncertainty. Millions of people around the world have been unable to travel, either for business, pleasure, or to attend family activities.

Suddenly, so much that had seemed to be under our control, was filled with uncertainty.

The Covid19 vaccines are slowly opening our minds to the possibility that travel will once again become possible - if sufficient vaccine can be produced to inoculate everyone, and if the virus doesn't mutate too much.

At times such as these, it becomes obvious that we depend on God for life; and we depend on each other to ensure everyone's safety and well-being.

Let's support the people of this world in every way that we can - and especially by praying for them.

Blessing from Meg



Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary
Meg and Laurie.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ~ 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

The simplicity of owning what you love,
Wanting what you have, and being who you are, is of its own form of wealth. ~ Lisa Avellan



Mark 4:26-34 (NIV)

The Parable of the Growing Seed

²⁶ He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground.

²⁷ Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how.

²⁸ All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head.

²⁹ As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰ Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it?

³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth.

³² Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade."

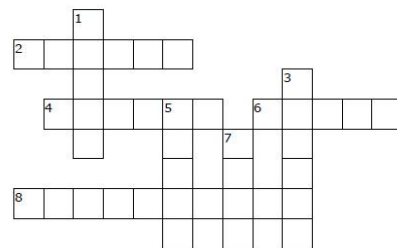
³³ With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand.

³⁴ He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

God Chooses a King

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

Based on 1 Samuel 16:1-13



ACROSS

2. To make someone holy by pouring oil on their head
4. Distance from the top to the bottom of something; how tall someone is
6. The one that God chose to replace Saul as king
8. The way people seem to be, rather than how they are inside

DOWN

1. Strength, energy, or force
3. The Prophet that God instructed to go Jesse's house in search of the new king
5. The center of a person's emotions or the organ that pumps blood through the body
7. A man who rules a country

Dear God, help us remember that You don't love us because of how big we are or what we look like. You love us and You look at our hearts.
In Jesus' name, amen.

~ sermon4kids

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