



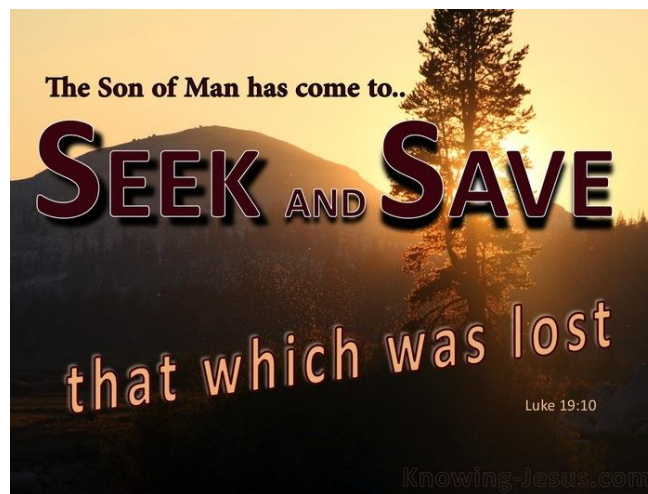
St Johns
Being the Gospel to all People

Sunday
30 October 2022

A very warm welcome is extended to all visitors to St Johns. Morning tea is offered after the service today, so please stay and enjoy.

A Pantomime

Scripture reading: Luke 19: 1 – 10 NIV



¹ Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. ² A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. ³ He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

⁵ When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” ⁶ So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

⁷ All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.”

⁸ But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.”

⁹ Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

Next Sunday: 6 November 2022

Theme: Praise God

Scripture readings: Haggai 1:15b – 2:9;

Psalms 145:1 – 5, 17 - 21; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20: 27 – 38

Prayer points: for Dick and Judy McDonald; for Brenda and for peace to be restored in Ukraine.

Connecting with life

If you were to create a book title that captured feelings and emotions of waiting with anticipation and expectation, what would it be?

Q If you were to create a book title that captured feelings and emotions of being ostracized, excluded, oppressed, what would it be?

Scripture

Luke 19:1–10 explores questions of wealth, need, and equity.

Q If you were to put this into a contemporary setting, who might be Zacchaeus?

Q Who might be the grumbling crowd?

Q What actions can both take to restore each other to be in community together?

“Zacchaeus” means “innocent” or “clean.” How does this influence your understanding of the text?

The Greek text of Luke 19:8 is in the present tense. Some scholars suggest that rather than Zacchaeus offering changed behaviour, he may be telling Jesus how he currently does things: “I give half my belongings to the poor, and if I ever cheat anyone, I pay...”

Q How do perceptions of the characters in this story change when reading the verse this way?

THIS WEEK 30 Oct to 6 Nov

Sunday 30 October

9.30 am Communion Service in English/ Mandarin

Wednesday 2 November

7:00 pm AA meeting (foyer)

Thursday 3 November

3.15 pm MusiqHub (foyer)

Friday 4 November

9.30 am – noon Knitting Group (gallery)

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Youth Group (upstairs hall)

Sunday 6 November

9.30 am Communion Service in English/ Mandarin

Food Bank Sunday

Connecting scripture and life

Consider the ways you, individually and as a community, tend to and witness to God's transforming love.

- o **Where might this witness be needed?**
- o **What acts of welcome might help restore and transform your community?**

Friday night Youth Group re-commences
Friday 28 October
7 pm at St Johns

THANKSGIVING 2022

NOVEMBER

This year our thanksgiving offerings will go towards the repairs of the roof and 10% to a Breakfast Club.

Thanksgiving offerings via direct credit to Bucklands Beach Cooperating Parish 03-0166-0135407-25 - please ensure you reference 'thanksgiving.'

If giving by envelopes, please check to ensure your Giving Number is on the outside of the envelope.



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| | This Week's Helpers (30 October) | Next Week (6 November) |
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| Preacher | Rev Jeff Odhiambo | Rev Jeff Odhiambo |
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| Projector | Alison Stanton | Alison Stanton |
| Sound Desk | Alicia Odhiambo | Collin Francke |
| Reader | Alison Stanton | Mavis Haigh |
| Intercessor | Joan Rutherford | Joan Rutherford |
| HC set up | Rev Jeff Odhiambo | Alison Stanton |
| HC Serving team | Rev Jeff Odhiambo Alison Stanton | Grace Corbett Joan Rutherford |
| Prayer | An opportunity to serve here. | Joan Rutherford |
| Welcome | An opportunity to serve here. | Betty Curd |
| Usher | Olga Ferreira | Jed Stanton Alison Stanton |
| Counters | Albert Ip Christo John | Nessie Crawford Christo John |
| Morning Tea | Uraiwana Jolly & Nessie Crawford | Julie Dickey & Alison Stanton |