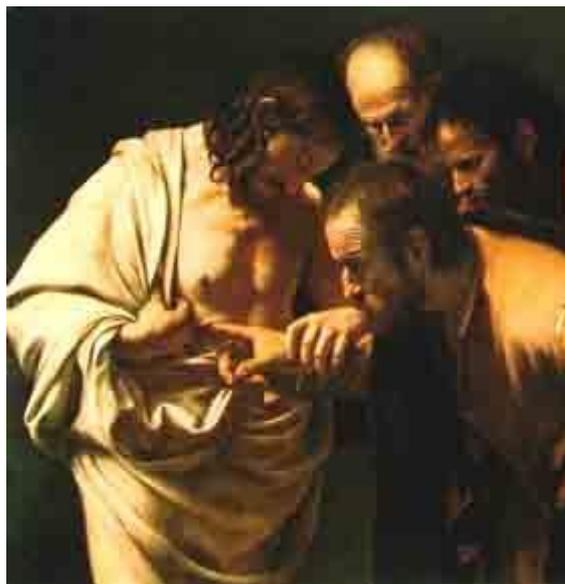




Living churches at the heart of their communities...

**St Giles', Durham,  
St Cuthbert's, Shadforth and St Mary's, Sherburn**

**Third Sunday After Trinity**



*Habakkuk 2.1-4; Ephesians 2.19-end; John 20.24-29*

## **Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts  
whereby we call you Father:  
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,  
that we and all creation may be brought  
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **A reading from the Book of Habakkuk**

#### **Habakkuk 2.1-4**

God's Reply to the Prophet's Complaint  
I will stand at my watch-post,  
and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.  
Then the Lord answered me and said:  
write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.  
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.  
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come, it will not delay.  
Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.

For the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians**

### **Ephesians 2.19-end**

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

For the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **A reading from the Book of John**

### **John 20.24-29**

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me?

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Post Communion Prayer

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Amen.**

## Church Notices

**St Giles' Evening Prayer** will be said at 18.00 on Sunday evening.

The **Bereavement Group** meets every Friday 10.30 to 12.00 in the church hall at St Giles'.

## General Notices

Please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and all those affected by the ongoing conflict as well as other victims of man-made and natural disasters across the world.

Please pray and rejoice in the baptisms last week at St Giles' for Aiden, Leon, Lewis, Olivia, Phoenix, Rosie and Rubie; and Hallie-Rae and Lucas this Sunday at St Mary's.

## St Mary's

### **St Mary's Mother's Union Coach trip to Skipton - Friday 22nd July**

We have only ONE seat left for this day trip to Skipton! The coach will now pick up all from St. Giles at the bus stop opposite St Giles Church in Gilesgate at 09.00 then pick up at 09.15 at the crossroads in Sherburn Village. The coach leaves Skipton at 16.00 for the journey home.

## **St Mary's Summer Fair**

Last Saturday St. Mary's Summer Fair held in Sherburn Village Community Centre was a great success, raising to date £2,080 towards both the building renovation and church funds.

A huge "thank you" to all who attended to support this event and to those who volunteered their help, time and support and the many donations received to help make it a successful event; especially in this our 150th year. With grateful thanks from Alison and Paul.

## **St Mary's Food Bank**

Please drop your food donations for Durham Food Bank on the table in the Narthex at the back of the church.

## **St Cuthbert's**

The next **coffee morning** will be held on **Saturday, July 9th** from 10.30 -12.30, ***a change of date from July 16<sup>th</sup>***

## **St Giles'**

The **coffee morning** will be held on **Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>** from 09.30-11.30.

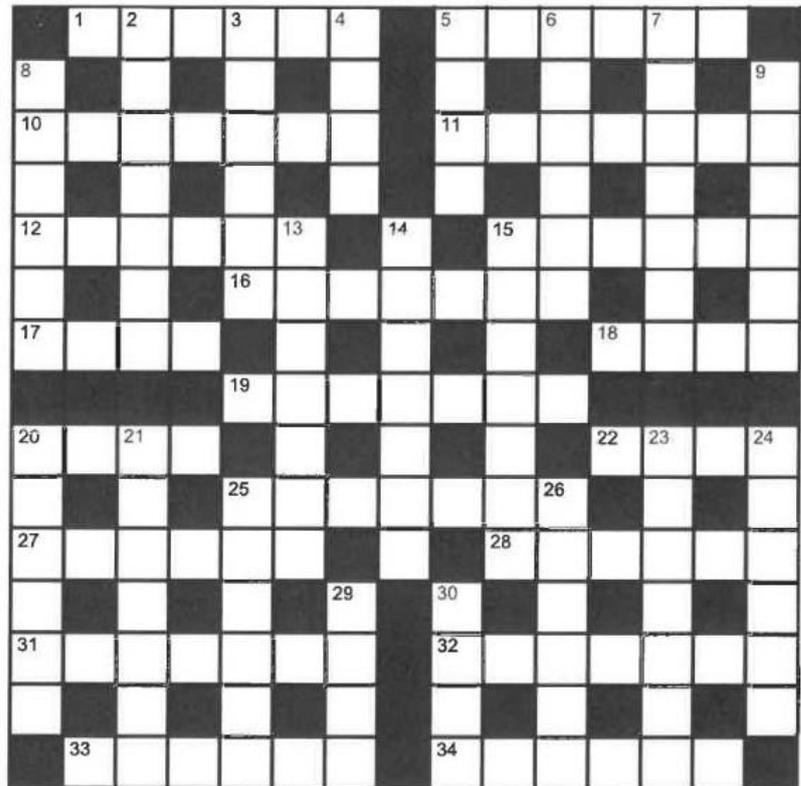
# BIBLE CROSSWORD

## Across

- 1 A nation referred to in the O.T. and the N.T. (6)
- 5 Teacher; leader (6)
- 10 Letter (7)
- 11 Blood was painted on these (7)
- 12 "Out of the \_\_\_\_\_ came something sweet" (6)
- 15 Where was Jacob? (6)
- 16 Made unholy (7)
- 17 Ezekiel lay on this for three years (4)
- 18 Very old (4)
- 19 Sure (7)
- 20 Ethiopia (4)
- 22 Remaining (4)
- 25 Naaman's maid, for example (7)
- 27 Seraiah's father (6)
- 28 Land (6)
- 31 Hold inside (7)
- 32 The teaching place of the Ethiopian eunuch (7)
- 33 Jews are renowned for celebrating these (6)
- 34 A child of Caleb & Maachah (6)

## Down

- 2 The lame man was too slow to reach this type of water (7)
- 3 To wait on, or be present (6)



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- 4 Untruths (4)
- 5 The Promised Land was said to be flowing with this (4)
- 6 We have all done this (6)
- 7 Late in the day (7)
- 8 Animals (6)
- 9 A Philistine city (6)
- 13 Sisera, for example (7)
- 14 A nation in the O.T. neighbouring Israel (7)
- 15 Anyone who comes to God must do this (7)
- 20 Together with 'time' this happens to all (6)
- 21 Did Nadab and Abihu have a match for this? (7)
- 23 Self scrutiny before communion (7)
- 24 Half the time of Jesus' fasting (6)
- 25 Lebanese trees (6)
- 26 Provided by God when we are tempted (6)
- 29 Far extremes of the earth (4)
- 30 Luke Part II ? (4)

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- ABIJAH
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- JEHOIAKIM
- JEHORAM
- JEHOSHAPHAT
- JOASH
- JOSIAH
- JOTHAM
- MANASSEH
- REHOBOAM
- UZZIAH
- ZEDEKIAH

***You may like to pray and reflect on one or more of these prayers before coming to share in Holy Communion***

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners. So cleanse us and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.