

Psalm 82

The reading is taken from the Book of Psalms chapter 82

God has taken his place in the divine council;
in the midst of the gods he holds judgement:
How long will you judge unjustly
and show partiality to the wicked?
Give justice to the weak and the orphan;
maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.
Rescue the weak and the needy;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.’
They have neither knowledge nor understanding,
they walk around in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
I say, ‘You are gods,
children of the Most High, all of you;
Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,
and fall like any prince.’
Rise up, O God, judge the earth;
for all the nations belong to you!

Here ends the reading

Luke 12: 49-56

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke_Glory to you O Lord

‘I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’ He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but

why do you not know how to interpret the present time?’

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.***

Prayer for the week (COLLECT)

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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. **Amen**

Prayer after Communion

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayer for the Week at Home

Dwell within us, O Christ, as we go about our work in quietness and peace; rejoice with us in the work you have given us to do; bless us in the love you have called us to share and be present in the message you have summoned us to speak. Amen

Isabella Gilmore, Pioneer Anglican deaconess (1842-1923)

NEXT WEEK: 24th August 2025

St Bartholomew

10.15am

St Hilda's Sherburn.

Common Worship Holy Communion

Readings:

Psalm 145:1-7

Luke 22:24-30

A Prayer during Vacancy

Gracious God, in your mercy, and for your glory, renew us, reshape us, revive us - with generous faith, courageous hope, and life-giving love - that, in transformed lives, through growing church and building community in this Benefice, we may see your Kingdom come and be good news for all. Amen.

Adapted from Derby Diocese's Diocesan Vision Prayer