#### **Bible Reading from the Old Testament** 2 Kings 4: 42 to end Elisha Feeds One Hundred Men

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left."' He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord. This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### First Reading at Service Bible Reading from the New Testament Ephesians 3: verses 14 to 21 Prayer for the Readers

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.** 

### Second Reading at Service Gospel Reading John 6: verses 1 to 21 Feeding the Five Thousand

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near.

When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all.

Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

### Jesus Walks on the Water

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God** 



## **Notices**

**Refreshments** - everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa, biscuit and chat after the service at the back of church. If you are able to help with refreshments, please do sign up on the rota on the noticeboard. **Field Day** - on July 6<sup>th</sup> was blessed with lovely sunshine after the initial downpour! It was an enjoyable afternoon and a busy one for St Michael's band of helpers - Paul and Anne, Michael, Bill and Elaine, Andrew and Frances and Frank and Margaret. Our sincere thanks go to them for helping on the day and to everyone who contributed items for the stalls. The financial outcome is not known yet but will be announced as soon as possible.



**Coachman's Cottage -** prayer and discussion group - will continue during July and August, you are invited to join us from 7.30pm until 9pm on a Thursday for prayer and bible based discussion.



**22 Questions** – the next discussion group evening will be at 22 Phildock Wood Road DE22 4PH on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July from 7.30pm until 9pm. All are welcome and you are invited to bring a (non-biblical) piece of writing, artefact, poem or piece of art etc that has been significant in your faith journey to share.



## Next Week

4<sup>th</sup> August – 10<sup>th</sup> After Trinity – Holy Communion – 9.30am

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## Sunday 28th July 2024 Ninth Sunday After Trinity



## The service today is Morning Prayer

If you have a prayer request, please pass to the Church Warden

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.