

**“Then Jesus said to the twelve, ‘Do you also want to go away?’”
(John 6:67)**

THE DOXOLOGY: 709 “Praise God from whom all blessings flow”

WELCOME:

The Session welcomes you to our service today. We trust that you will find it a means of spiritual enrichment and encouragement. If you are a visitor, we offer you a special welcome and trust that you feel at home in our Church. We invite you to make yourself known to those on duty and sign the visitor’s book in the porch.

Today, during the absence of our minister on holidays, we welcome to the pulpit **Rev Dr Greg GOSWELL** who will conduct our service of worship.

HYMNS: 22 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;”
507 “I’m not ashamed to own my Lord,”
168 “Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,”

BIBLE READINGS:

Exodus 16 : 1-21 **Berenice LOCKE**
John 6 : 60-71 **Mignon GOSWELL**

SERMON: “What Will You Do?”

PRAYER POINTS:

1. For the persecuted Church where Christians are imprisoned for their faith and their only crime is that they know and love the Lord Jesus and want to worship Him. *‘Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.’—Hebrews 13 : 3.* For this week - Niger.

1. **NIGER.** Despite being 98% Muslim, Niger has a secular government and a high degree of religious freedom. Christians comprise less than 0.4% of the population. A Muslim mob burned out a church, which was also a pastor training centre, in the southern city of Maradi in June 2019 in protest over the arrest of an influential imam who criticised the new religious law. He later apologised for his comments, which had labelled the new law as “anti-Islamic” thus causing the mob attack. The militant Boko Haram which has a grip on northern Nigeria where it originated stepped up attacks in south-eastern Niger. Pray for protection and peace for the tiny Christian minority and a place for the displaced in that troubled region.Barnabas Fund
2. For those recovering from illness, particularly **Marj Hall**, that their health will continue to improve, and those in care situations.
3. For congregation member **Alistair ROSS**.
4. **Alan and Faye CANAVAN** are from the Warburton Church and minister with WBT since 1987. They are based in Nth Queensland and the Sth Pacific. Alan is a translation consultant for translation teams in the region while Faye provides member care for Wycliffe missionaries.

COMING EVENTS:

30 – 6 –2021 Wednesday prayer meeting @ 1:30 pm
4 – 7 – 2021 Rev Dr Greg Goswell @ 11 am

**IF YOU HAVE GOT TIME TO PRAY,
GOD HAS GOT TIME TO LISTEN.**

THE UNCHANGING ONE

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.”
(Hebrews 13:8)

We are always at the beginning of a new age. Behind us are ages; before us are ages! Now the writer says that this One Who came into human history and human life, and Whom He names Son of God, Jesus, Christ, is the same to the ages! At the beginning of this letter he declared that this One fashions the ages, determines their nature, limits their duration, includes their forces.

Heaven will never be monotonous. There will always be new satisfaction for the heart. We shall never become satiated with the things spiritual. The unfathomed deeps and distances of the ages lie before us, but He will lead us through them. Therefore am I no longer afraid of the vastness of the outlook.

That Living One is in our midst now, calling us to rest. He is the centre of all that is permanent. the spring of all that is fresh. Dare I be afraid? Amid the shock of battle, the stress of life, and the overwhelming perplexities of things, Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

March on my soul, without fear or faltering, for the Pierced Hand holds the sceptre of the universe! All is well.

Dr G. Campbell Morgan

(from a sermon preached at Westminster Chapel)



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