

Collect Contemporary

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.

Collect Traditional

Almighty God,
who didst send thy Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of thy Church:
open our hearts to the riches of thy
grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of
the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our
Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23.23-29

²³ Am I a God near by, says the LORD,
and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide
in secret places so that I cannot see
them? says the LORD. Do I not fill
heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵ I
have heard what the prophets have
said who prophesy lies in my name,
saying, 'I have dreamed, I have
dreamed!' ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts
of the prophets ever turn back—those
who prophesy lies, and who prophesy
the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They
plan to make my people forget my
name by their dreams that they tell
one another, just as their ancestors
forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the
prophet who has a dream tell the
dream, but let the one who has my
word speak my word faithfully. What
has straw in common with wheat? says
the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire,
says the LORD, and like a hammer that
breaks a rock in pieces?

Gospel Reading

Luke 12.49-56

⁴⁹ 'I came to
bring fire to the
earth, and how I
wish it were
already
kindled! ⁵⁰ I have
a baptism with which to be baptized,
and what stress I am under until it is
completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have
come to bring peace to the earth? No,
I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From
now on, five in one household will be
divided, three against two and two
against three; ⁵³ 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.'
⁵⁴ 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. ⁵⁵ And when you
see the south wind blowing, you say,
"There will be scorching heat"; and it
happens. ⁵⁶ 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?



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

To have someone prayed for or remembered please contact the Benefice Office.

A new list will start the first Sunday each month.

ST MICHAEL

Those newly in need of prayer

Julie Homer, Steve Homer, Sophie Homer, Elliot Homer, Sam Homer

Those in continuing special need of prayer:

Jamie, Jenny, Sam Bassett
Mark Berry, Dorothy Clayton, Dottie Collins, Alison Cox-Toplis, Margaret Fellows, Sadie Hannon, Robert Harris, Bill and Dot Hill, James Knight, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, Peter Salt, John Tipper, Renee Wellings

Those who have died

Ollie Homer
Barbara & Sidney Challender (interment of ashes)

ST JOHN

Those who are ill and their carers:

Pat Crowe, Jo Hearn, Ann Kinson, Allan Law

Post Communion Contemporary

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

Post Communion Traditional

Holy Father,
who didst gather us around the table of thy Son
that we, with all thy household, might partake of this holy food:
in that new world wherein the fullness of thy peace is revealed,
gather people of every race and tongue
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

The United Benefice of St Michael on Greenhill, Lichfield with St John, Wall

SERVICE DETAILS

18th August
9th Sunday after Trinity

ST MICHAEL

8:00am Holy Communion
President: The Venerable Simon Baker

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Deacon: Alan Toplis

Hymns	Processional	715
	Gradual	258
	Offertory	506
	Communion	422
	Recessional	232

Intercessions
Lead us Lord:
To walk in your ways.

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ST JOHN

10:00am Holy Communion
President: Revd. Ruth Bull
Preacher: Trevor James

Hymns	Processional	310
	Gradual	392
	Offertory	473
	Recessional	480