

CHURCH Church Hill Anglican
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Welcome!

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Sitting With Job.

What Will Get You Up Out Of Your Dust and Ashes?

27 September:	Job 1-2 (42:1-6)	The Hedge
4 October:	Job 3	The Lament
11 October:	Job 4-27	The Miserable Comforters
18 October:	Job 28-31	The Divine Challenge/The Man Who Sued God
25 October:	What happens in Malta does not stay in Malta (<i>Meet our new Missionaries</i>)	
1 November:	Job 32-37	The Angry Young Man
8 November:	Job 38:1-40:5	The Storm
15 November:	Job 40:6-42:6	The Care
22 November:	Job 42:7-17	The Vindication

Call To Worship

Psalm 34:1-3

¹ I will extol the Lord at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.

² I will glory in the Lord;
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

³ Glorify the Lord with me:
let us exalt his name together.

God With Us

Oh you've come to bring peace
To be love, to be nearer to us
You've come to bring life
To be light, to shine brighter in us
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

*Our deliverer
You are saviour
In your presence we find our strength
Over ev'rything
Our redemption
God with us
You are God with us*

Oh you've come to be hope
To this world, for your honour and name
And you've come to take sin
To bear shame, and to conquer the grave
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

*Our deliverer
You are saviour
In your presence we find our strength
Over ev'rything
Our redemption
God with us
You are God with us*

You are here
You are holy
We are standing in your glory
You are here
You are holy
We are standing in your glory Lord

*Our deliverer
You are saviour
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Call To Confession

1 John 1:8, 10

⁸ If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

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¹⁰ If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

Confession

**Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance Of Forgiveness

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,*
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The 'catholic church' denotes the totality of God's people through the ages who hold firm to the classic teachings of Christ's apostles, regardless of denomination. It affirms the unity of the church.*

Job 29:1-12

¹ Job continued his discourse:

- ² 'How I long for the months gone by,
for the days when God watched over me,
³ when his lamp shone on my head
and by his light I walked through darkness!
⁴ Oh, for the days when I was in my prime,
when God's intimate friendship blessed my house,
⁵ when the Almighty was still with me
and my children were around me,
⁶ when my path was drenched with cream
and the rock poured out for me streams of olive oil.
- ⁷ 'When I went to the gate of the city
and took my seat in the public square,
⁸ the young men saw me and stepped aside
and the old men rose to their feet;
⁹ the chief men refrained from speaking
and covered their mouths with their hands;
¹⁰ the voices of the nobles were hushed,
and their tongues stuck to the roof of their mouths.
¹¹ Whoever heard me spoke well of me,
and those who saw me commended me,
¹² because I rescued the poor who cried for help,
and the fatherless who had none to assist them.

Job 29:21-30:1

- ²¹ 'People listened to me expectantly,
waiting in silence for my counsel.
²² After I had spoken, they spoke no more;
my words fell gently on their ears.
²³ They waited for me as for showers
and drank in my words as the spring rain.
²⁴ When I smiled at them, they scarcely believed it;
the light of my face was precious to them.
²⁵ I chose the way for them and sat as their chief;
I dwelt as a king among his troops;
I was like one who comforts mourners.

30:1 'But now they mock me,
men younger than I,
whose fathers I would have disdained
to put with my sheep dogs.

10:30am, 4pm
and 6pm

Job 31

- ¹ 'I made a covenant with my eyes
not to look lustfully at a young woman.
- ² For what is our lot from God above,
our heritage from the Almighty on high?
- ³ Is it not ruin for the wicked,
disaster for those who do wrong?
- ⁴ Does he not see my ways
and count my every step?
- ⁵ 'If I have walked with falsehood
or my foot has hurried after deceit –
- ⁶ let God weigh me in honest scales
and he will know that I am blameless –
- ⁷ if my steps have turned from the path,
if my heart has been led by my eyes,
or if my hands have been defiled,
- ⁸ then may others eat what I have sown,
and may my crops be uprooted.
- ⁹ 'If my heart has been enticed by a woman,
or if I have lurked at my neighbour's door,
- ¹⁰ then may my wife grind another man's grain,
and may other men sleep with her.
- ¹¹ For that would have been wicked,
a sin to be judged.
- ¹² It is a fire that burns to Destruction;
it would have uprooted my harvest.
- ¹³ 'If I have denied justice to any of my servants,
whether male or female,
when they had a grievance against me,
- ¹⁴ what will I do when God confronts me?
What will I answer when called to account?
- ¹⁵ Did not he who made me in the womb make them?
Did not the same one form us both within our mothers?
- ¹⁶ 'If I have denied the desires of the poor
or let the eyes of the widow grow weary,
- ¹⁷ if I have kept my bread to myself,
not sharing it with the fatherless –
- ¹⁸ but from my youth I reared them as a father would,
and from my birth I guided the widow –
- ¹⁹ if I have seen anyone perishing for lack of clothing,
or the needy without garments,
- ²⁰ and their hearts did not bless me
for warming them with the fleece from my sheep,

21 if I have raised my hand against the fatherless,
 knowing that I had influence in court,
 22 then let my arm fall from the shoulder;
 let it be broken off at the joint.
 23 For I dreaded destruction from God,
 and for fear of his splendour I could not do such things.

24 'If I have put my trust in gold
 or said to pure gold, "You are my security,"
 25 if I have rejoiced over my great wealth,
 the fortune my hands had gained,
 26 if I have regarded the sun in its radiance
 or the moon moving in splendour,
 27 so that my heart was secretly enticed
 and my hand offered them a kiss of homage,
 28 then these also would be sins to be judged,
 for I would have been unfaithful to God on high.

29 'If I have rejoiced at my enemy's misfortune
 or gloated over the trouble that came to him –
 30 I have not allowed my mouth to sin
 by invoking a curse against their life –
 31 if those of my household have never said,
 "Who has not been filled with Job's meat?" –
 32 but no stranger had to spend the night in the street,
 for my door was always open to the traveller –
 33 if I have concealed my sin as people do,
 by hiding my guilt in my heart
 34 because I so feared the crowd
 and so dreaded the contempt of the clans
 that I kept silent and would not go outside –

35 ('Oh, that I had someone to hear me!
 I sign now my defence – let the Almighty answer me;
 let my accuser put his indictment in writing.
 36 Surely I would wear it on my shoulder;
 I would put it on like a crown.
 37 I would give him an account of my every step;
 I would present it to him as to a ruler:) –

38 'if my land cries out against me
 and all its furrows are wet with tears,
 39 if I have devoured its yield without payment
 or broken the spirit of its tenants,
 40 then let briers come up instead of wheat
 and stinkweed instead of barley.'

The words of Job are ended.

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and 6pm

Romans 8:33-34

³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon

The Divine Challenge

10:30am and 6pm

*(Oh, that I had someone to hear me!
I sign now my defence – let the Almighty answer me;
let my accuser put his indictment in writing.
Surely I would wear it on my shoulder,
I would put it on like a crown.
I would give him an account of my every step;
I would present it to him as to a ruler.) –
~ Job 31:35-37*

*The words of Job are ended.
~ Job 31:40*

Job's final words to God gives us a glimpse into:

1. The Psychology of Grief

You get memory (Ch 29), lament (Ch 30), a divine 'challenge' (Ch 31).

2. The Shape to a Just Life (Ch 29)

Both Justice and Righteousness before God and others.

3. The Theology of Suffering

You need to pray to God, but he has no 'smoking gun'.

4. The Basis for Divine Challenge (Ch 31)

'I would put [his indictment] on like a crown.'

Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

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Sermon

The Man Who Sued God *4pm*

Faced with the failure of his friends, Job attempts to solve his crisis himself.

Job 29-30 Lamenting the loss of who he was.

Job 31 Job sets out to force God to vindicate him.

Finally ...

Questions about Job's audacious move.

What's for us?

Before The Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea
A great high priest, whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on his hands
My name is written on his heart
I know that while in heaven he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

Behold him there, the risen Lamb
My perfect, spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I am
The King of glory and of grace
One in himself, I cannot die
My soul is purchased by his blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ, my Saviour and my God
With Christ, my Saviour and my God

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look, and see him there
Who made an end of all my sin
Because a sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me
To look on him and pardon me

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Psalm 121

A song of ascents.

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the mountains –
where does my help come from?**
- ² My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.**
- ³ He will not let your foot slip –
he who watches over you will not slumber;**
- ⁴ indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**
- ⁵ The Lord watches over you –
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;**
- ⁶ the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
- ⁷ The Lord will keep you from all harm –
he will watch over your life;**
- ⁸ the Lord will watch over your coming and going
both now and for evermore.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

The Collect

Prayer set for this particular Sunday in the 1662 Book of Common Prayer

○ God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Benediction

Psalm 34:8-10

- ⁸Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
- ⁹Fear the Lord, you his holy people,
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- ¹⁰The lions may grow weak and hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Notices



A Year With Jesus

Want to get to know Jesus more deeply this year? Download Church Hill's daily devotional app 'A Year With Jesus' in the app store. You can catch up on last week's talks in the 'library tab' or simply join us on Monday for the next instalment in the Gospel of Matthew.

Weekly Prayer Meeting

Friday Morning Zoom Prayer
7:45-8:25am
Meeting ID: 851 5150 8467
Password: 712176

Community Groups

In 2020, we are renewing our focus on the City, and we know that one way to do that is through Community Groups that can continue our mission to the City. To that end we want you to be a part of a Community Group. Our Community Groups consist of: Bible and prayer; with fun, friendship, support and hospitality, and a strong desire to see new people folded in. Please sign up now at:

bit.ly/communitygroups2020

Open Fire Art Nights

Friday 30 October from 7pm. Garrison Church Hall. All creatives are welcome once again to meet around Trinity Hall's 1840s fireplace. Where we'll share, show and tell the works we've been dreaming of, or halfway through or have finished. Among the crackle and sharing of food, we'll also have John Dickson coming along to share some of his creative works too. So come and share on the night or simply join in on our discussions. And bring a friend too. If you've got any questions email Josh at joshbollbackbutler@gmail.com

Galea's Commissioning Service

Chris and Kristy Galea will be commissioned for their work for the Lord's Gospel in Malta on Saturday 23rd of January (2021), 3pm at MBM Rooty Hill, Rooty Hill Road North & Westminster Street, Rooty Hill.

Love Your Church Day

Saturday 24 October at St Philip's Church 9:00am to 12:00pm Mark your diaries now for a morning of community, cleaning and camaraderie. As we come together to give St Philip's Church buildings and grounds some TLC. Contact the office for more details office@churchhillanglican.com or 92471071

Dates For Your Diary

City Care Lunch dates for 2020

18 October 13 December

citycare@churchhillanglican.com

RIVENDELL 2021 Save The Date!

Friday 19 to Sunday 21 February, at The Tops Conference Centre.



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The next step in our Strategic Plan

National Church Life Survey

On **Sunday 25 October 2020** and in the days following, we will spend some time completing the National Church Life Survey.

We'd value every Church Hill member's input, so please mark your calendars.

Giving

June 2020 offertories:	\$61,106	(Budget \$60,996)
July 2020 offertories:	\$55,143	(Budget \$58,119)
August 2020 offertories:	\$50,295	(Budget \$58,118)
YTD 2020 offertories:	\$462,978	(Budget \$464,949)

While we don't take a physical collection during our service, if you belong to and benefit from Church Hill, please take your part in contributing financially to the ministry of the church in this city. The most intentional way to give is to give online, using the following banking details.

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