

Today's hymns

Entrance	536	O God of Bethel, by whose hand
Gradual	435	Glorious things of the are spoken
Offertory	581	Take my life and let it be
Final	148	Jesus lives, thy terrors now

Evening Prayer and Bible Study this week

Evening Prayer and Bible study at All Saints in Cologne take place at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday.

Children's ministry at All Saints next Sunday

Activities for children are offered at All Saints during the service on the first Sunday of every month. The next date for children's ministry is Sunday 1st October.

Invitation to an open meeting for British citizens on 28th September

In co-operation with [British in Germany](#), the Counsellor at the British Embassy in Berlin, Nick Leake, is holding an open meeting in Cologne to discuss citizens' rights following Brexit. The meeting will take place at 1900 on **28th September at All Saints in Cologne** (doors will open at 1830). We expect the meeting to last for about two hours. If you would like to share your views, put your questions to Nick and meet other Brits living in the region, please come along. Registration will be on arrival. Any inquiries should be directed to Berlin.EU_EconTeam@fco.gov.uk

Walking group on 3rd October

Our new all-chaplaincy walking group is taking shape! The first walk will be on Tuesday 3rd October (public holiday), starting at 10am. The start and end point is Holzweiler, where there is a lovely chapel. The circular walk is 12km, takes about 3 hours (plus breaks), and is flat apart from the up and down when we reach the Ahr Valley: <http://www.naturaktiverleben.de/?IndexTour=7>.

We then plan to have a meal together at the Ohm Hein restaurant in Altendorf (www.ohm-hein.de). If you, or any of your friends, would like to come along, please contact Jenny Knudsen or Richard Gardiner. The walk is open to all.

Weekly sheet

If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or e-mail: notices@anglicanbonncologne.de. The deadline is 9am on Wednesday morning for the following Sunday.

Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details.

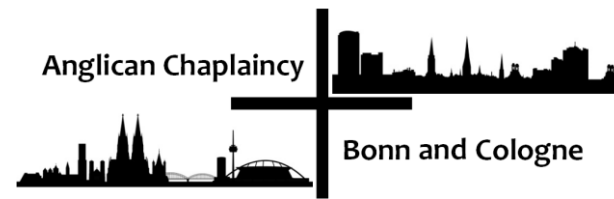
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WELCOME

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time. Refreshments will be served after the service. We hope you might stay and introduce yourself.

**Sunday 24th September 2017
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
Proper 20**

President and preacher:
Revd Richard Gardiner

Collect for today

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false teaching
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Old Testament reading – Jonah 3.10-4.11 Jonah's Anger

¹⁰When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. ⁴But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' ⁴And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be

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angry?’⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, ‘It is better for me to die than to live.’

⁹But God said to Jonah, ‘Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?’ And he said, ‘Yes, angry enough to die.’ ¹⁰Then the Lord said, ‘You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?’

Psalm 145.1-8

I will exalt you, O God my King,
and bless your name for ever and ever.

**Every day will I bless you
and praise your name for ever and ever.**

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised;
his greatness is beyond all searching out.

**One generation shall praise your works to another
and declare your mighty acts.**

They shall speak of the majesty of your glory,
and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts,
and I will also tell of your greatness.**

They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

**The Lord is gracious and merciful,
long-suffering and of great goodness.**

New Testament reading – Philippians 1.21-30

Paul’s Desire

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you

again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well — ³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Gospel reading – Matthew 20.1-16 **The Labourers in the Vineyard**

Jesus said to his disciples: ¹The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴and he said to them, “You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.” So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, “Why are you standing here idle all day?” ⁷They said to him, “Because no one has hired us.” He said to them, “You also go into the vineyard.” ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, “Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.” ⁹When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, “These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.” ¹³But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?” ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.’

Post Communion prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;
and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.