

October Events

Tuesday 16th	Vestry @ JCAC
Wednesday 17th	Sewing Group in the JCAC
Thursday 18th	Lunchtime Lecture 3 in the JCAC @12pm
Saturday 20th	Dedication of plaque for John Daykins VC, War Memorial, 10.30am
Thursday 25th	Lunchtime Lecture 4 in the JCAC @12pm Diocesan Synod @ St Paul's & St George's, Edinburgh, 5.30pm
Wednesday 31st	Old School Lunch in the JCAC @ 12.30pm Halloween on High Street with Jedburgh Churches Together

November Events

Thursday 1st	All Saints/All Souls Service, St John's @ 10am
Sunday 11th	Remembrance Day Service 11.00 am at the Parish Church (replacing St. John's 10.30 am service)

Services @ St John's

Thursday	10.00 am	Holy Communion (1982 Liturgy)
Sunday	9.00 am	Holy Communion (1970 Liturgy)
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist (1982 Liturgy)

Children's Activities available at the back of the church



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St John the Evangelist

Scottish Episcopal Church, Jedburgh

A community of welcome in the Borders

14th October 2018

The Thing You Lack : A reflection on Mark 10:17—31 by Rev Karoline Lewis

"You lack one thing." Ouch. I fear I lack much more than one thing, do you? But what does this fellow lack, exactly? Of course, there's all kinds of irony here, because in the end by the measures of the world that have determined the criteria for abundance and blessing, he lacks nothing -- nothing at all.

Does he lack an ability to care for the poor? Does he lack a consciousness of another's scarcity? Does he lack the ability to appreciate his abundance?

The story is frustratingly ambiguous and rather ambivalent which makes for a temptation to reduce this text to a message that is far too simplistic, but theologically easy. Let's just take Jesus literally. We *do* have too much. We need to give it away. We have not given out of our abundance. So we are eager to stand behind Jesus' injunctions against rich people. We readily chide those who hoard their wealth. We are quick to say to another, "With all you have? Good luck getting through the eye of a needle, friend."

Yet all the while, we secretly wish we had wealth to hoard. Or at least more than we have. And then we have succeeded in wiggling out of Jesus' charge. "I don't have money like this guy, so Jesus isn't talking to me." And all of a sudden we've managed to escape Jesus' words to us, "you lack one thing."

Lack takes on many forms in our life. This story asks us to ponder how we might complete the sentence, "I lack _____." There is one thing you lack. And you need to figure that out.

But the issue of lack takes on a particular meaning in this story -- it is that which prevents you from a full expression of faith.

What is the one thing that is at the core of who you are, what keeps you from being the follower, the disciple, the believer, the witness God wants and needs you to be?

Extract from: <http://www.workingpreacher.org/craft.aspx?post=3699>

09.00 HOLY COMMUNION 1970 LITURGY

Collect and Lessons for Trinity 20 on page 239 of the Scottish Prayer Book

Ephesians 5:15

Matthew 22:1

10.30 SUNG EUCHARIST 1982 LITURGY

Introit: MP518 **O praise ye the Lord**

PREPARATION (page 1)

Collect O Lord, since without you we cannot please you: let the work of your mercy in all things guide our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

LITURGY OF THE WORD (page 3)

1st reading: Job 23:1—9, 16—17 *(p.501 in pew Bible)*

Psalm 22 **Why are you so far from the words of my distress?**

2nd reading: Hebrews 4:12—16 *(p.235 in pew Bible)*

Gradual hymn: MP 651 **The Kingdom of God is justice and joy**

Gospel: Mark 10:17—31 *(p.49 in pew Bible)*

Sermon, Creed, Intercessions, Confession, Peace

Offertory hymn **One day as Jesus was traveling through** (tune MP 51)

1. One day as Jesus was traveling through,
There came a rich man a-traveling, too.
One sought inheritance, one faced the cross;
Where was the profit and where was the loss?
2. "What can I do now to gain one more thing?"
So asked the rich man who lived like a king.
Jesus said kindly, "There's one thing you lack:
Sell, give and follow—there's no turning back."
3. "Sell, give and follow?" The man was afraid.
"How can I give up the wealth I have made?
I live a good life! I cannot let go!
Sell, give and follow? I'll have to say, 'No!'"
4. How can a camel fit through a small place?
How can disciples be saved, but by grace?
How can the wealthy find joy, but to give?
God, in your kingdom—by dying, we live.

5. Christ, you have shown us the way of the cross;
You give a gift that the world sees as loss.
May we let go of the things we hold dear;
Then, serving others, we'll find your life here.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND COMMUNION (Page 6)

Anthem

Prayer after Communion **Faithful God, in baptism and eucharist we are made one with you. May we who have shared in holy things always bear witness to your covenant, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

Post-communion hymn: MP 624 **Take my life and let it be**

Blessing and Dismissal

Lunchtime
Lectures For Lifelong Learners

Thursdays in October 12pm in the JCAC

Week Three: Talking in tongues, slaying in the Spirit,

snake handling and all things Pentecostal

Bring your lunch, an open mind and a sense of humour.

Jedburgh Churches Together

invites you to a soup and speaker lunch
12.30 Sunday 21st October, Kenmore Hall

Speaker : Steve Wright -Edinburgh City Mission

Theme: "The World is Changing – How about us?"

Steve will be sharing his story and some of changes Edinburgh City Mission has made in how it ministers to vulnerable people from 1pm



WHAT'S A CHURCH
SUPPOSED TO DO
WITH HALLOWEEN?



Reclaim it for the Christian festival it is!!!
Come join us at HALLOWEEN ON HIGH.

The High Street traders are hosting a family fun event on
Wednesday 31st October—All Hallows Evening.

We want to be there to share an alternate message of hope and light and the Christian roots of the event. We will be distributing treat bags with a Christian themed activity sheet. You can help by joining us on the night outside the former RBS or by bringing a bag of sweets to church next week.