

## St Arvans Church mid-week Bulletin Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Night Prayer:** Tonight at 8pm – online only

**Sunday Eucharist:** Sunday 10am. Places must be booked.

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### St Arvans online

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### Prayer and Meditation

*“Overcomers are not perfect. They fail just like the rest of us, but they keep on getting up, keep on repenting, and keep on being willing to surrender themselves to Christ and letting Him, who is the only perfect One, work through them.” ~ Nancy Missler.*

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#### 1 Samuel 3: 1-10, 19-20

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, “Samuel! Samuel!”<sup>[a]</sup> and he said, “Here I am!” and ran to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, “Samuel!” Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said,

"Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."  
As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

**Psalm 40: 1-4, 7-10**

I waited patiently for the LORD;  
    he inclined to me and heard my cry.  
He drew me up from the desolate pit,  
    out of the miry bog,  
and set my feet upon a rock,  
    making my steps secure.  
He put a new song in my mouth,  
    a song of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear,  
    and put their trust in the LORD.  
Happy are those who make  
    the LORD their trust,  
who do not turn to the proud,  
    to those who go astray after false gods.  
Then I said, "Here I am;  
    in the scroll of the book it is written of me.  
I delight to do your will, O my God;  
    your law is within my heart."  
I have told the glad news of deliverance  
    in the great congregation;  
see, I have not restrained my lips,  
    as you know, O LORD.  
I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,  
    I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;  
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness  
    from the great congregation.

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**A reading from the gospel of St Mark 1: 29-39**

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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## **Music**

This is a more modern hymn than usual: When to our world the Saviour came. It was written by Timothy Dudley-Smith. I have no idea who is singing, as YouTube doesn't say.

[When to our world the Saviour came - YouTube](#)

A plainchant setting of today's Psalm, Psalm 40.

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