



Dear all,

Last Sunday, we began a new sermon series that will take us through the Summer. Called 'The Changing Church', this series explores how the early Church kept changing in response to each new situation it faced – we read of these in the Book of Acts.

Using the Roadmap Jesus gave his disciples contained in Acts 1: 1-8, we will discover how through the power of the Holy Spirit, the disciples were able to witness to Jesus in Jerusalem, Judea & Samaria and beyond!

You see, the Church (You and me!) has always been called to be an outward looking body that seeks to share the good news of Jesus Christ with everyone we encounter. As William Temple once said: *The Christian church is the one organisation in the world that exists purely for the benefit of its non-members!*

All of us are called to witness to who Jesus is and what he has done for us, in word and action. Because we are all 'unique, unrepeatable miracles', just like Jesus' disciples were too, we will all share God's love in different ways – this is reassuring because it means we don't have to try and be like other people – instead we need to be ourselves, always!

As we begin this new series, can I encourage you to read the Book of Acts? This will help to give you a useful overview of where this series is going, as well as reminding us of the truth that *the world is our parish*. What will your response be?

With every blessing,

Rev'd Timothy Robb

Church News:

- **Used Stamps for Leprosy Mission**

Thank you from the World Mission Team for storing up all your used stamps over the last weeks and months. There is a box in church for collection of the stamps. Please make use of this.

- **World Mission Update from Mano**

Please [click here](#) for a further update from Mano

- **Kitchen Update**

Over £12,000 of the £20,000 needed has been given towards this project so far – thank-you for your support. To continue supporting this project please [click here](#).

- **Adopt a Flower Bed**

The Creation Care Team invites members of the congregation to help with the "Adopt a Flower Bed Scheme" for 2021. There are 16 flower beds in our beautiful churchyard, varying from small to quite large. They need keeping tidy, pruning and where necessary replacing plants (preferably with native species). This can be done by an individual, a family or a group. Six beds have already been "adopted" so if you are interested, please contact Roger Peppiatt soon Tel 01480 472891 or email creationcare@eatonsocon.org. A map showing the flower beds can be found by [clicking here](#).

- **Foodbank Update**

[Click here](#) to read the latest news from the Foodbank.

- **Sunday Service**

Do join us for this week's service at 10am in person, on Facebook or YouTube! If you're joining us online, this week's service is a Communion Service so do get ready for this.

[Click here](#) to book your tickets for Sunday's service and next week's Wednesday Service.

Under Aslan's paw,
Tim - Vicar, St Mary's Eaton Socon