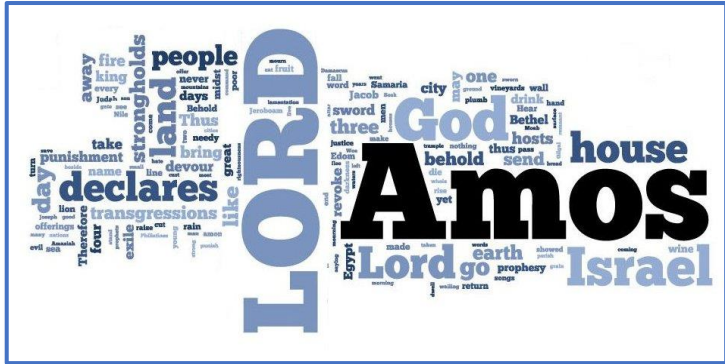


WORD Cloud of the week

In the diagram, the larger the words the more often they appear. Look out for them when you read this Old Testament prophet.



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Great celebrations on that final Day
When out of the heavens You come.
Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end,
And rulers will bow at Your throne.
Our great commission complete,
Then face to face we shall meet...
*Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
Pour out Your Spirit on us today.*

G: from 'Great is the Darkness' (v.3)

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Parish of The Lye and Stambermill

From the Editor's Den

Long or Short-sighted

Thank you to all of you who prayed for me during my recent cataract operations, which went well. I can now say, "Nice to see you!" I also had the choice of either short-sight or long-sight; the surgeon recommended long-sight, so I now need reading glasses, although I could opt for bi-focals or vari-focals – God has the latter:

"For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth."

(2Chronicles 16:9)

Far-sighted

The Bible also shows us *how* God looks at things so we should try to learn how to see things from the Creator's perspective, not only because His purposes are superior to ours, but they are perfect:

"As for God, His way is perfect: The Lord's word is flawless; He shields all who take refuge in Him."

(2Samuel 22:31)

Skin deep

I've also had an unrelated appointment to examine an area of skin. It was done using a hand-held camera capable of actually 'seeing' below the surface. (Now that could be a powerful weapon in the wrong hands!) Of course, God already looks beneath the surface:

"The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance but the LORD looks at the heart."

(1Samuel 16:7)

So Take the Long View

"Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must eventually give account." (Hebrews 4:13)



PRAISE, POINTERS & PRAYER

Items for this page to the Administrator by Wednesday morning please

Praise

Welcome to our preacher today, Rev Nick Gowers of Holy Trinity Church, Old Hill.

News from Keswick:

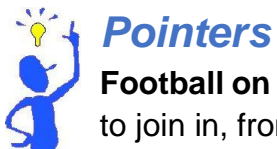
“After ten years of trying, we finally made it to the Keswick Bible Convention. It brought us closer together as a family and closer to God. It was great to attend the seminars and to see the children's faces after their daily worship groups where they made new friends.

We of course also saw Simon and Sue Falshaw. They are doing very well, still walking up mountains whenever possible; they took us up an easy route and then separated so they could take the harder way down. It was a pleasure to be around them again. We would recommend Keswick to anyone and maybe we'll see you there next year. God bless.”



Emma and Craig.

(Help yourselves to the **free** leaflets and booklets in the Foyer.)



Pointers

Football on Rufford Field: Fred and Lacy Swartz invite you to join in, from 1pm – 4pm, next Friday.

Community Walk Around Stourbridge – Saturday 17th August: Minibus leaves Christ Church at 12.45pm, return here at 3.15pm. To find out more and book a place contact Davinder or Caz on [01384 816256](tel:01384816256) or email: healthycommunities@dudley.gov.uk

Parents Just Like Us – Lye Library, Wednesdays, 12pm - 2pm. A space to explore balancing a career and parenthood.

Today 11 th August	10.30am Service of the Word 12.30pm Zimbabwean Church 6.30pm Evening Fellowship Pray for newcomers and visitors to church
Monday	7.00pm Online Prayer Group Pray for members of the PCC
Tuesday	Pray for our Administrator and volunteers
Wednesday	12.00 Lye Library for parents with careers Pray for leaders and our church groups
Thursday	Pray for external Groups using the Church
Friday	11.00am Open Door 12.00pm Midday Worship 1.00pm–4.00pm Football on Rufford Field Pray for staff of CPAS and Diocese
Saturday	12.45pm Community Walk Pray for prospective vicar applicants
Next Sunday	10.30am Holy Communion 12.30pm Zimbabwean Church 6.30pm Evening Fellowship Bible Reading: Ephesians 4:17–5:2

THIS WEEK

Please Pray:

For our leaders – with their continuing health challenges: Rev Chris Kent, Doug Mclean, Paul Newton and Mark Kent.