

**SERMON SERIES Jan - April 2012**

**Mornings**

**Sermon on the Mount**

We will be exploring the main elements of the Sermon on the Mount from chapter 5 of Matthew's gospel. Sometimes the key text may be just one verse, in which case it is shown in brackets after the sermon title/theme.

The Sermon on the Mount is perhaps the best known of Jesus' great discourses or sermons, and contains a mixture of encouragements or blessings and ethical instructions. The Sermon on the Mount is a key component of Jesus' teaching on Christian living.

**Evenings**

The evening series of sermons this term is something of a first for us, certainly for recent years. We shall be following the 'lectionary' readings. These texts are part of a pattern of suggested readings offered to the whole church worldwide. Many churches use nothing else. So as we progress through this evening series, we will know that Christians around the world will be hearing and studying the same texts.

**Sunday  
Sermon  
Programme**

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## Themes for Morning Services

1 Jan	<b>All Age Worship</b> <b>Alison Rose</b>	<b>Looking into the New Year</b> <i>Readings: Isaiah 49: 1 - 7</i>
8 Jan	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<b>The poor in spirit</b> <i>Readings: 1 Corinthians 1: 26 - 31 and Matthew 5: 1 - 3</i>
15 Jan	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Will Foulger</b>	<b>Those who mourn (Matthew 5: 4)</b> <i>Readings: Isaiah 61: 1 - 3 and Revelation 21: 1 - 4</i>
22 Jan	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Fi Nichols</b>	<b>The meek (Matthew 5: 5)</b> <i>Readings: Zephaniah 3: 11 - 17 and Matthew 11: 25 - 30</i>
29 Jan	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Marian Porthouse</b>	<b>Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness (Matthew 5: 6)</b> <i>Readings: Isaiah 55: 1-7 and John 4: 4-15 &amp; 27-34</i>
5 Feb	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<b>The merciful (Matthew 5: 7)</b> <i>Readings: 1 Samuel 26: 1 - 25 and Matthew 18: 21 - 35</i>
12 Feb	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Wesley Guy</b>	<b>The pure in heart (Matthew 5: 8)</b> <i>Readings: Psalm 24: 1 - 5 and Mark 7: 1 - 8 &amp; 14 - 23</i>
19 Feb	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<b>Peacemakers (Matthew 5: 9)</b> <i>Readings: Isaiah 32: 16 - 20 and 1 Peter 3: 8 - 16</i>
26 Feb	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Liz Lander</b>	<b>Those who are persecuted for doing good</b> <i>Readings: 2 Chronicles 24: 17-22, 1 Peter 4:12-19, Matthew 5:10-12</i>
4 Mar	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Roger Clarke</b>	<b>Salt and light</b> <i>Readings: 1 Kings 10: 1-10, 23-25; 11: 1 - 11 and Matthew 5: 13 - 16</i>
11 Mar	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<b>The law brought to completion.</b> <i>Readings: Isaiah 40: 6-11, Romans 13: 8 - 10 and Matthew 5: 17 - 20</i>
18 Mar	<b>All Age Worship</b> <b>Liz Lander</b>	<b>Mothering Sunday</b>
25 Mar	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Will Foulger</b>	<b>Respect for life</b> <i>Readings: Genesis 4: 1 - 10, 1 John 3: 11-15 and Matthew 5: 21 - 26</i>
1 Apr	<b>All Age Worship</b> <b>Fi Nichols</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
8 Apr	<b>Family Communion</b> <b>Liz Lander</b>	<b>Easter Day</b>
15 Apr	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Roger Clarke</b>	<b>Resurrection appearances</b> <i>Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 1 - 8, 12 - 20 and Mark 16: 9 - 20</i>
22 Apr	<b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<b>Nick Lang's final service</b>
29 Apr	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Liz Lander</b>	<b>Faithfulness in marriage</b> <i>Readings: Colossians 3: 1 - 14 and Matthew 5: 27 - 30</i>

## Themes for Evening Services

1 Jan	<b>NO EVENING SERVICE</b>	
8 Jan	<b>Evening Worship</b> <b>Alastair Cameron</b>	<i>Readings: Isaiah: 42: 1 - 9 and Ephesians 2: 1 - 10</i>
15 Jan	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Clive Porthouse</b>	<i>Readings: Hebrews 6: 17 - 7: 10 and Matthew 8: 5 - 13</i>
22 Jan	<b>Messy Church</b> <b>Liz Lander &amp; Team</b>	3.30 pm - with craft, activities, music and food. For Families with children of all ages.
29 Jan	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>David Plummer</b>	<i>Readings: 1 Corinthians 14: 12 - 20 and Matthew 13: 10 - 17</i>
5 Feb	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Liz Lander</b>	<i>Readings: Philippians 2: 12 - 28 and Luke 5: 1 - 11</i>
12 Feb	<b>Evening Worship</b> <b>Alastair Cameron</b>	<i>Readings: Genesis 2: 4b to the end and Luke 8: 22 - 25</i>
19 Feb	<b>Messy Church</b> <b>Liz Lander &amp; Team</b>	3.30 pm - with craft, activities, music and food. For Families with children of all ages.
26 Feb	<b>Evening Worship</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<i>Readings: Romans 5: 12 - 19 and Luke 13: 31 to the end</i>
4 Mar	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<i>Readings: Hebrews 11: 1 - 3 &amp; 8 - 16 and John 8: 51 to the end</i>
11 Mar	<b>Messy Church</b> <b>Liz Lander &amp; Team</b>	3.30 pm - with craft, activities, music and food. For Families with children of all ages.
18 Mar	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>David Plummer</b>	<i>Readings: Romans 5: 1 - 11 and John 12: 1 - 8</i>
25 Mar	<b>Evening Worship</b> <b>Marian Porthouse</b>	<i>Readings: Romans 5: 12 to end and Luke 22: 1 - 13</i>
1 Apr	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Nick Lang</b>	<i>Readings: Isaiah 5: 1 - 7 and Mark 12: 1 - 12</i>
8 Apr	<b>NO EVENING SERVICE</b>	
15 Apr	<b>Evening Worship</b> <b>Alastair Cameron</b>	<i>Readings: Isaiah 26: 1 - 9 and v. 19 and Luke 24: 13 - 35</i>
22 Apr	<b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Liz Lander</b>	<i>Readings: Revelation 2: 1 - 11 and Luke 16: 19 to the end.</i>
29 Apr	<b>Confirmation Service at St. Paul's , Brackley Road at 4.00 pm</b>	