Notices:

- Please check that all mobile phones are off, or on silent, during the service.
- There will be a retiring collection. The basket is at the back of church.
- There will be a Eucharist service on Wednesday at 1pm.
- The LCC are organising a Women's Fellowship Breakfast starting at 9.30am at the Alexander Restaurant.
- Anne and Christopher are in St Mark's, Famagusta today.
- On Saturday, 14th September at 4.30pm in St Helena's there will be a service of Evening Prayer attended by Bishop Sean. The Bishop will present certificates to those who have recently completed a Lay Worship Leaders' training course. This is the course that Wendy completed and Estelle is attending this one. We will have visitors from many Cyprus parishes and refreshments will be served afterwards. Please come to welcome our guests and to support the Bishop and Estelle. There will also be some words of parish and diocesan farewell to Anne and Christopher.
- The 10.00am Eucharist on Sunday, 22nd September will be the last service Anne and Christopher attend at St Helena's before their retirement.
- The Church Council meets on Wednesday, 11th September at 3.00pm

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Hymns: 555 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; Fairest Lord Jesus (words printed overleaf); 499 O Lord, my God; 350 Jesus, Name above all names; 386 Let us with a gladsome mind

This week's readings – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity: Proverbs 22: 1, 2, 8, 9, 22, 23; James 2: 1-17; Mark 7: 24-end

Next week's readings – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity: Proverbs 1: 20-33; Psalm 19; James 3: 1-12; Mark 8: 27-end

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Psalm 125 - please join in with the verses in **bold**

- 1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 As the hills stand about Jerusalem, so the Lord stands round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous turn their hands to evil.
- 4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good, and to those who are true of heart.
- 5 Those who turn aside to crooked ways the Lord shall take away with the evildoers; but let there be peace upon Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen

Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honour, Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heav'n can boast. Beautiful Saviour! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honour, praise, adoration, Now and for ever more be Thine.

For prayer -

Pray for "the peace of Jerusalem"; for an end to the war in Gaza; for the return of hostages and release of those in administrative detention; for justice, political solutions, peace and wellbeing for all.

Pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)Pray for ordained clergy, both stipendiary and self-supporting, with licensed responsibility and accountability.

Pray for Christ Church and Ras Morbat Eye Clinic, Aden, Yemen **Pray for** St John, Muscat as the people engage in the process of recruiting a new priest

Pray for St Andrew, Abu Dhabi, its congregation and the wider community as they continue with its recruitment process.

Christ Church & Ras Morbat Eye Clinic, Aden, Yemen If you would like a visit by one of the clergy, please see a member of the clergy.

Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**