

Sunday, September 5, 2021

9:30 am online only

Facing the fear of following Jesus

John 11:45-57

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Welcome to Hoxton Park Anglican Church online!

Holding on to power and control was the primary aim of the chief priest and Pharisees. Jesus miracles were drawing the people's attention to him and away from the religious leaders. Rather than trying to understand what Jesus was saying and doing, the religious leaders were determined to get rid of Jesus. We see in our world today many who seek to silence Christians and the words of the Bible as it threatens their power and control of the world. Yet amid this opposition God's sovereign plans continue in saving people from their sins and inviting them into a relationship with God.

Happy Father's Day!

Bible Reading

Proverbs 27:1-8

- ¹Do not boast about tomorrow,
for you do not know what a day may bring.
- ²Let someone else praise you, and not your own mouth;
an outsider, and not your own lips.
- ³Stone is heavy and sand a burden,
but a fool's provocation is heavier than both.
- ⁴Anger is cruel and fury overwhelming,
but who can stand before jealousy?
- ⁵Better is open rebuke
than hidden love.
- ⁶Wounds from a friend can be trusted,
but an enemy multiplies kisses.
- ⁷One who is full loathes honey from the comb,
but to the hungry even what is bitter tastes sweet.
- ⁸Like a bird that flees its nest
is anyone who flees from home.

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Notices

Sunday School will be available online. Please contact the church office or Sunday School leaders if you do not already have the information needed.

Sunday Youth Bible study is also meeting online at 9:30am.

Those involved in our **regular Friday afternoon childrens and youth activities** have been contacted this week with information about how those activities will be happening. Your **Bible study group** leader will be in touch about how your group is running this term.

Next Week: Anointed at Bethany
John 12:1-11

Prayer

- Pray that we will willingly submit to God's authority and good plans for our lives even when it involves giving up our control.
- Continue to pray for our church members amid the challenges of this time, that our hope in Jesus will strengthen and empower us to faithfully follow him.
- Pray that our COVID infection rate will decline, and for wisdom and compassion for our political leaders whose daily decisions affect so many lives.

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If you would like to contribute you can do so via electronic funds transfer.

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⁴⁵ Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. ⁴⁶ But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. ⁴⁷ Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin.

“What are we accomplishing?” they asked. “Here is this man performing many signs. ⁴⁸ If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation.”

⁴⁹ Then one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, “You know nothing at all! ⁵⁰ You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish.”

⁵¹ He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, ⁵² and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. ⁵³ So from that day on they plotted to take his life.

⁵⁴ Therefore Jesus no longer moved about publicly among the people of Judea. Instead he withdrew to a region near the wilderness, to a village called Ephraim, where he stayed with his disciples.

⁵⁵ When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, many went up from the country to Jerusalem for their ceremonial cleansing before the Passover. ⁵⁶ They kept looking for Jesus, and as they stood in the temple courts they asked one another, “What do you think? Isn’t he coming to the festival at all?” ⁵⁷ But the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that anyone who found out where Jesus was should report it so that they might arrest him.