

Sunday Xtra, September 13th 2020

14th Sunday after Trinity



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Reading: Matthew 18:21-35

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Song: [Build your kingdom here](#)

Welcome:

As we continue to deal with Covid 19, and as people start to return to school and work, as a church, we continue to explore how we use the church building, and what our new "normal" will look like!

Collect for 14th Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Opening Worship

- 1 [The power of Your love](#)
- 2 [No longer a slave](#)

Introduction

Another story from Jesus, again involving Peter. In answer to Peter's question on Forgiveness, Jesus tells the story of The Unforgiving Servant

Matthew 18:21-35: [Forgiveness](#)

Matthew 18:21-35 – The Message

At that point Peter got up the nerve to ask, “Master, how many times do I forgive a brother or sister who hurts me? Seven?”

Jesus replied, “Seven! Hardly. Try seventy times seven.

“The kingdom of God is like a king who decided to square accounts with his servants. As he got under way, one servant was brought before him who had run up a debt of a hundred thousand dollars. He couldn’t pay up, so the king ordered the man, along with his wife, children, and goods, to be auctioned off at the slave market.

“The poor wretch threw himself at the king’s feet and begged, ‘Give me a chance and I’ll pay it all back.’

Touched by his plea, the king let him off, erasing the debt.

“The servant was no sooner out of the room when he came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him ten dollars.

He seized him by the throat and demanded, ‘Pay up. Now!’

“The poor wretch threw himself down and begged, ‘Give me a chance and I’ll pay it all back.’ But he wouldn’t do it. He had him arrested and put in jail until the debt was paid. When the other servants saw this going on, they were outraged and brought a detailed report to the king.

“The king summoned the man and said, ‘You evil servant! I forgave your entire debt when you begged me for mercy. Shouldn’t you be compelled to be merciful to your fellow servant who asked for mercy?’ The king was furious and put the screws to the man until he paid back his entire debt. And that’s exactly what my Father in heaven is going to do to each one of you who doesn’t forgive unconditionally anyone who asks for mercy.”

An Explanation for younger people: [The Unforgiving Servant](#)

An Explanation for older people: [Forgiveness](#)

Prayers:

Father, please make me aware of how much I have been forgiven by you. Remind me that I can forgive others because you have forgiven me through what Christ has accomplished on my behalf. Help me to forgive those who wrong me that I may bring glory to your name because of how much you have shown mercy to me.

Amen

Pray today for the family of Alison Cockburn, whose funeral took place on Thursday. Pray for her brother, sister, nephews and nieces and for all her GirlGuiding sisters and friends. Alison was a church warden between 2005 and 2013 and she helped out at Sunday Xtra serving teas and coffees over the last few years.

Pray for all our children and young people returning to school, and all the adults who work with them. Pray for all those moving to new schools, college and University, as they navigate the changing circumstances

Amen

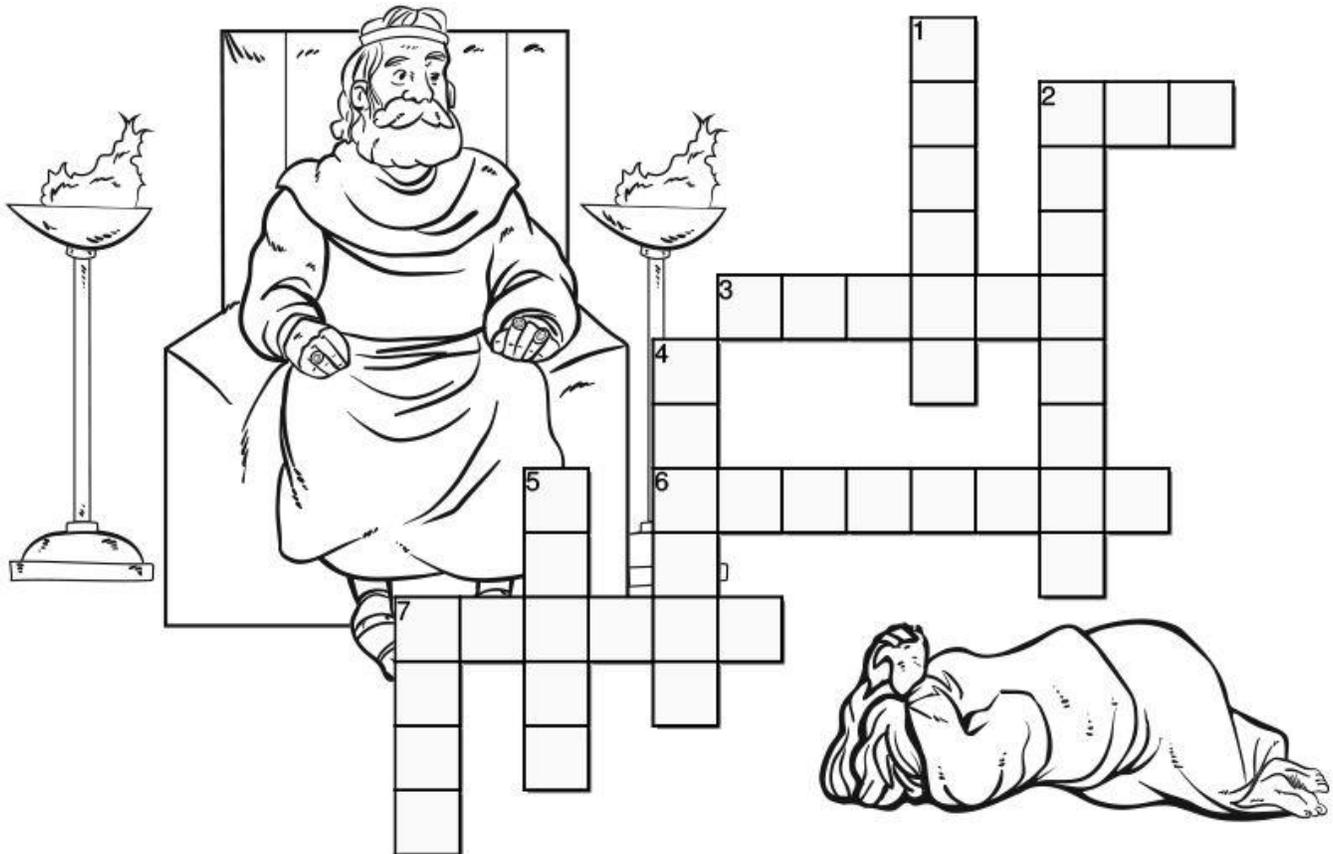
Song: [Majesty \(here I am\)](#)

Dismissal: 2 Corinthians 13:11

And that's about it, friends. Be cheerful. Keep things in good repair. Keep your spirits up. Think in harmony. Be agreeable. Do all that, and the God of love and peace will be with you for sure.

THE PARABLE OF THE UNMERCIFUL SERVANT

Matthew 18:21-35



Across

2. The servant owed the king ___ thousand bags of gold.
3. When he saw his fellow servant, he grabbed him by the _____, demanding that he repay his debt.
6. The king had compassion on the servant and _____ all of his debt.
7. Because the servant could not pay back his debt, the king wanted to turn him and his family into _____.

Down

1. The unforgiving servant had his fellow servant thrown into _____, until his debt could be re-paid.
2. The king was furious and threw the servant into jail, and had him _____ until he could repay every last cent.
4. "You _____ servant," the king said. "I canceled all of your debt because you begged me to."
5. The servant's fellow servant owed him a _____ amount of money.
7. The king expected the servant to treat his fellow servant in the _____ way.





THE PARABLE OF THE UNMERCIFUL SERVANT

Discover the hidden words.

Living Servant Bible Word Search Puzzle.pdf

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Word Bank

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| SERVANT | SLAVES | BEG |
| THROAT | PRISON | PLEAD |
| DEBT | TORTURE | JESUS |
| CANCELED | WICKED | KING |

