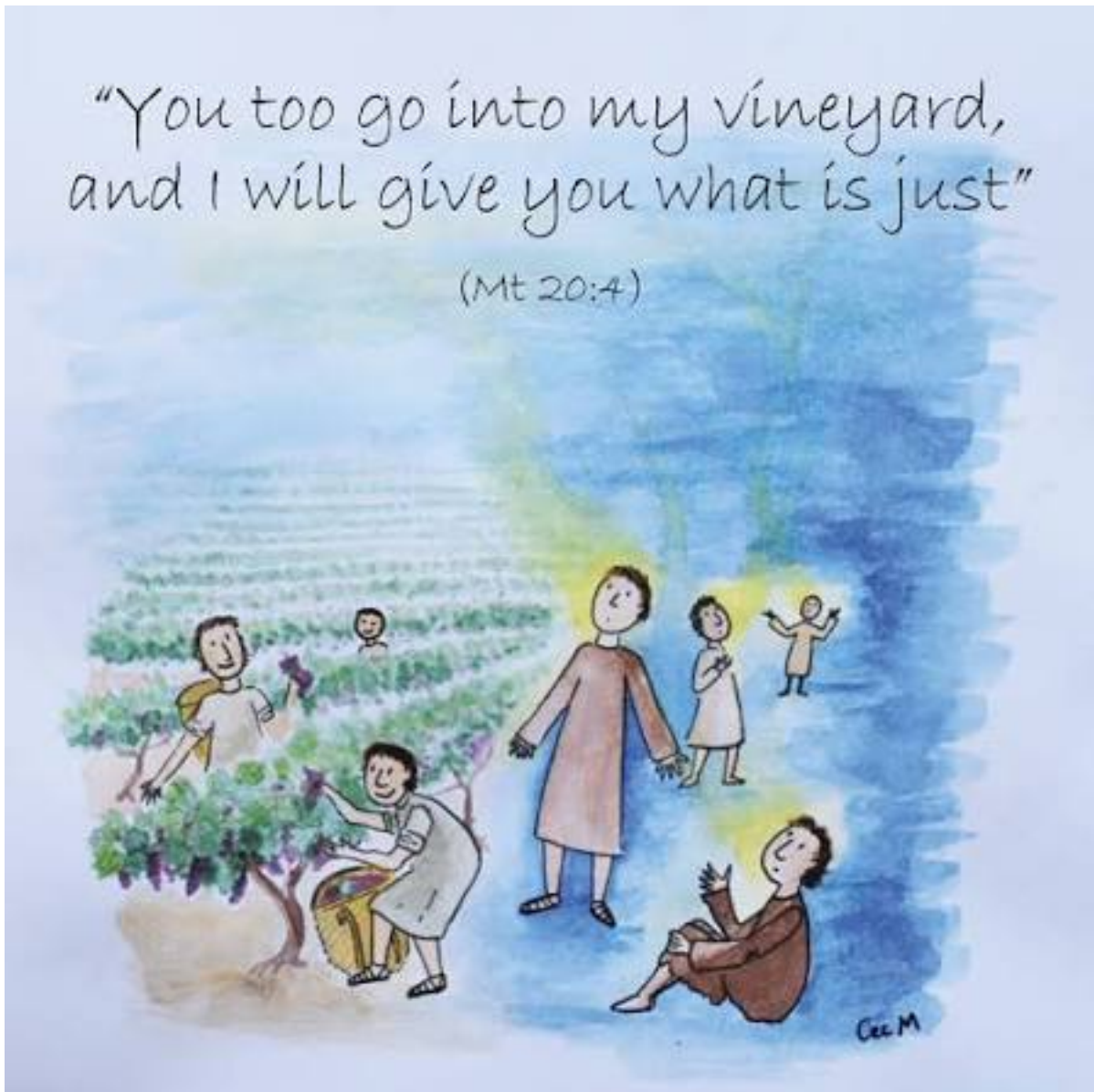




Wesley Uniting Church Box Hill

"You too go into my vineyard,
and I will give you what is just"

(Mt 20:4)



The Parable of the Labourers

20 September 2026
10 AM
Traditional Service

Service taken by ~ Mr. Peter Woodbridge
Pianist ~ Ms. Jacinta Na

WELCOME



A very warm welcome to Wesley Uniting Church Box Hill. We hope that you will experience God's extraordinary peace, joy and hope during your time with us this morning. Please do join us for fellowship after the morning service. For more information please visit our Website & Facebook.



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ORDER OF SERVICE

Enter To WORSHIP

Organ Prelude and personal preparation

Introit UMH 581 ~ "Lord, whose love through humble service"
(Verses 1&4) (Tune: Beach spring)

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Time of silent reflection

CONNECT with our Church Family

Greetings, Welcome and Announcements

Sharing with the Wesley Family ~ joys, concerns

Welcome to Worship

Hymn Tis 132 ~ “Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty”
(Tune: Nicea)

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

... Your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

GROW in God's Word

Early Word ~

Hymn Tis 156 ~ “Morning has broken” (Tune: Bunessan)

Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 20: 1-16

... This is the word of the Lord.

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Music meditation ~ “It’s never too late” (by Buddy Reid)

Sermon ~ “The Parable of the Labourers” by Mr. Peter Woodbridge

Offering Video ~ “The Goodness of God” (by Bethel)

Offering Prayer

Go forth to SERVE & REACH OUT

Prayers of the people

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn Tis 569 ~ "Guide me O thou great Redeemer"
(Tune: CWM Rhondda)

Closing Words

Blessing

Threefold Amen

Extroit Tis 779 ~ "May the feet of God walk with you"

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Organ postlude

For Online Bank Transfer of Tithes/Pledges

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Memory Verse

“Are you envious because I am generous?” — Matthew 20:15 (NIV)

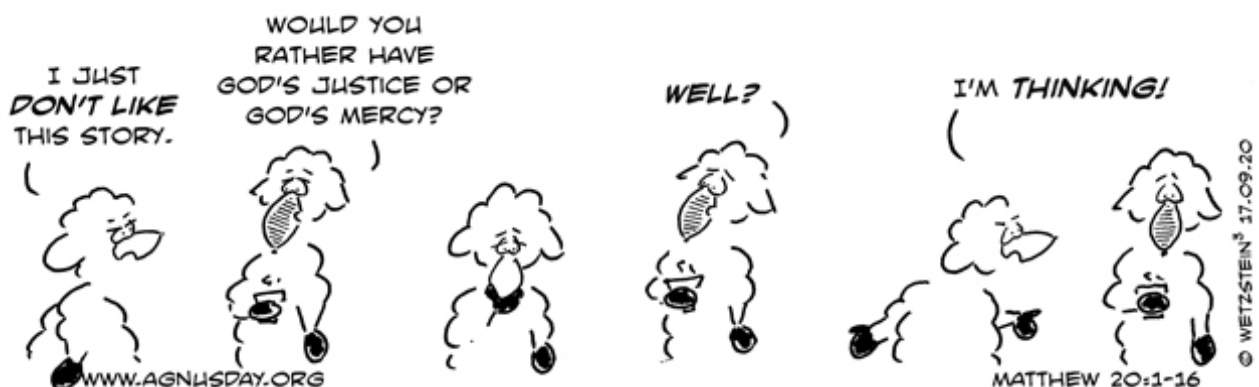
Thoughts on Today's Verse ...

From the time we are little children, we have a keen sense of fairness. So if my mom gave my brother a piece of cake just a little bigger than the one she gave me, I would protest: “That’s not fair!”

Jesus told lots of parables — stories that use familiar scenes and images from daily life to teach about the kingdom of God. These stories are often surprising, and sometimes even shocking. For example, some of Jesus’ parables include outcomes that don’t seem fair — and that can surprise us or even make us upset. But what if fairness is not the point?

In today’s story about day-labourers in a vineyard, the issue of fairness comes up in a big way. When the landowner pays all of the labourers for a full day, no matter how many hours they have worked, the labourers who worked all day protest: “We worked the whole day. The sun beat down on us for hours. Why should the people who worked only one hour get the same pay as we do?” This is certainly not fair. But fairness is not the point.

The kingdom of God is not fair. It’s much more than fair. The kingdom of God is generous. Jesus is a generous King. He gives us all that he promises and more than we deserve.



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS



Andy Tan & Family, Audrey & John De Jong, Nathalia Kurniwan, Nimmy David & Residents of Mont Albert Manor, Peter Woodruff, Juliany & her mother, Jim and Vivian Estaña.

UPCOMING LECTIONARY Yr A Pentecost 18



Exodus 17: 1-7
Psalm 78: 1-4 12-16

Philippians 2: 1-13
Matthew 21: 23-32

IF YOU NEED SOMEONE TO PRAY WITH



The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
(Psalm 145:18)

If you would like someone to pray with you, please feel free to approach Revd. Viola Leung or one of our church council members via email or phone.

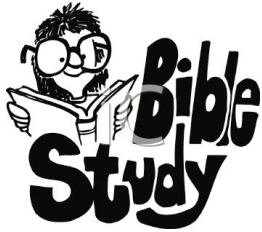
WESLEY CHURCH EVENTS

HAR Book Club

Every Tuesday to Thursday at 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm

Location : Rejoice Hall

Contact ~ Keith @ 0449 887 359



Adults Bible Study

Every Sunday at 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Location : Zoom meeting

Contact ~ Nilesh @ 0414 801 937

Combined English & Chinese Sunday School For young children

Every Sunday at 10.00 am to 11.30 am

Location : Rejoice Hall

Contact ~ Vanessa @ 0401 596 016



Basketball Club

Every Sunday at 9.00 am

Location : Wesley Hall

Contact ~ TBA



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