

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost, 14 September 2025

James 1:22–25 - Living out God's word

“Don't just listen to God's Word and then forget it. Do what it says! When we obey God's Word, it's like looking in a mirror and remembering what we saw. But if we hear it and don't do it, it's like forgetting our own face. God blesses those who listen and then live it out.”

1 Corinthians 3:10–11 - Jesus our strong foundation

“God is the one who helps us build our lives. The only strong foundation we can build on is Jesus Christ. No one can build on anything stronger than him.”

GOSPEL: Luke 6:46-49 - The wise and foolish builders

‘Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.’ ‘Why do you call me, “Lord, Lord,” and do not do what I say? As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When the flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.’