

St James News: Thought for the day – Saturday 20th June, 2020

Thought for the day by Revd Kit Gunasekera

You have all been invited at this time to this place

We don't just want an invitation: We want to be welcomed.

You are all offered a warm welcome to this place

We don't just want a welcome: We want to have a voice.

You are all welcome and this is a place for listening

We don't just want a voice: We want it to be heard.

You are all welcome here, and your story will be heard

We don't only want to be heard: We want to be believed.

You are welcome to this place where no truth is denied

We don't only want to be believed: We want to be trusted.

You are welcome to this place where your words are accepted

We don't only want to be trusted: We want to be loved.

You are welcome to this place where God's love embraces all

We don't only want to be loved: We want to know we belong.

Whoever belongs to God, belongs among us, for we are one in Christ

(Taken from Racial Justice Sunday resources from the URC Church in the UK – Feb 2020)

Bible Verse: Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind - 1 Peter 3:8