Discussion and Reflection Questions Sunday 12th of February 2023- Epiphany 6A

Read: 1 Corinthian 3:1-9

And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. * I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, * for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? * For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? * What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. * I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. * So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. * The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. * For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

Discussion & Reflection Questions

- 1. How mature do you feel as a follower of Jesus & does that feeling change from time to time & who you are around?
- 2. What sort of groups do you or have you belonged to? What are some of the categories do you fall into?
- 3. How have you experienced division within the church? How have you experienced division in general life?
- 4. What are some of the advantages in belonging to a group of people who are similar to you? What are some of the advantages of belonging to groups od people who are different to each other?
- 5. How can we pay attention to the things that seperate us better?
- 6. How do we talk well of the differences between churches & between differences between other Christinas different to us?
- 7. In what areas of Christian life & community are we better together?

Prayer (Collect for the week)

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.