*This sermon is short to allow time for the Parish AGM within the service*

**If one of you wants to be great, he must be the servant of the rest.** (Mark 10.43)

Some people like power and authority – an AGM is about such people being accountable.

An AGM is also a way of appointing people with authority - eg Parish Stewards, Convenors of Committees, Congregational Representatives.

Most of us do not want to be great, not even those on Parish Council.

If you reverse the saying it is almost saying that those who are servants of all are the great ones!

Mark 10.35-45 is all about getting our heads round what power is for.

If we have power it is not to be used to boss people around or to protect your position and privileges – but it grants opportunity to serve. TEXT.

Which is exactly what the word ‘minister’ means.