

Sunday 21st July 2024
Eighth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 a.m. Morning Worship

4.00 p.m. Tea-time Church with Holy Communion

Collect for Today

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Service Readings

Jeremiah 23:1-6 (*p.736*), Ephesians 2:11-end (*p.190*) and Mark 6:30-34, 53-end (*p.39*)

Please pray for

... Jan & Mark Knott, Del May, Jean Read, Paul Young and Roger Young.

... the family and friends of Hazel Zimmerman and Nick Farbridge whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work in Cathedral Close, Curling Vale and Downing Avenue.

... the Koens family in Papua New Guinea supporting the work of Bible translation through vehicle maintenance, teaching, missionary care.

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

Donations

These are the ways we encourage everyone to give:

- The collection during the third hymn
- The collection plate at the back
- The contactless donation machine at the back
- The QR code to take you to our online giving page
- By setting up a standing order to All Saints



Dear Friends

I think this must be the most busy time of the year.

If you're in school, you've just done year end exams or GCSEs or A levels. At uni you've just completed end of year exams or even graduated. At work you're about to have quarter two results and half year appraisals are being done, and you're busy doing all the things you said you'd do when you agreed it with your boss in January. The exec are looking at the outlook for the year and gearing up the business for second half plans and the work that this creates. If you're behind plan, there are actions to catch up on and if you're ahead then activity to build on that wave. You might even be in government, in which case you've a whole new regime starting with fresh ideas and all the planning and demands that brings. If you're retired you've been working on all the things you wished you'd had time for when you worked and seem busier now than you ever were – how on earth did you EVER work 5 days a week!

Summer's here, schools are breaking up and summer holidays are just around the corner. Whether you're going away or have a staycation, it's time for a change in pace. Even the church has what it calls 'ordinary time' for a while. We need to recharge batteries, spend time with our loved ones and simply just be for a while.

Simply being seems an impossible task these days. It almost seems a waste of time just reflecting on things when we could be doing something else. But reflection is what I'm suggesting. Sitting quietly or going on a solitary walk to connect with God and sense his presence. Hear your breathing, clear your heads with the noise of the day. Listen to Him, be guided by Him, put your life in His hands. Be refreshed by the wash of the Holy Spirit over you. Know that you are in God's plan: you are known loved held.

Have a blessed, reflective time this summer, simply being.

Andy

Mission Focus for July: United Society Partners in the Gospel (USPG)

USPG has been one of the foremost outreach organisations of the Church of England since its formation in the early 18th century. All Saints has been supporting the work of USPG for a great many years, as one of the beneficiaries of the annual financial support budget for mission organisations. The emphasis is now on the word "Partners", as USPG works in collaboration with local churches and communities on valuable local projects in more than 50 countries around the world, particularly in Africa and Asia. Project work includes provision of clinics for treatment of HIV and AIDS cases, and also education and work skills training programmes.

Notices

Tea-time Church today: Revd Paul Fenner will be leading an informal Communion Service for us at 4pm. Please do come and join us!

BCP Communion in July: we'll be moving this service from today at 8am to Sunday 28th July at 8am (this is because we've been unable to find cover whilst Beverly is away)

The Big Build: The Big Build Steering Group have been working with our architect for several months and we've now got some agreed plans that you can see on the display board in church. The PCC are meeting on 30th July to approve the plans. We will then look to provide the plans to the DAC (Diocesan Advisory Committee) in October. Gaining their approval is a precursor to going for planning permission. If you have any comments, please have a chat with one of the Big Build team (their names are displayed on the main noticeboard).

Safeguarding Training: If you've received an email from Julie regarding safeguarding training, we'd be grateful if you could treat this as a matter of urgency. (We are aware that there is currently no capacity for Leadership training, but please keep checking the website).

Young Adults Summer BBQ: Saturday 27th July, 3pm-8pm. Have a chat with Henrietta or Martyn if you're interested in coming.

Deanery Synod Meeting: Wednesday 31st July, 7.30pm at St Mary's Shalford. This will include a presentation from the Local Ministry Programme Team. Simon Doran and Marguerite Barclay are our current representatives on Deanery Synod.

Picnic in the Vicarage Garden: Sunday 4th August, 4.00pm. The Tea-time Church team will be hosting a picnic in the Vicarage garden. Pop it in your diary and please do invite friends and family to enjoy time together in the lovely garden.

Cream Teas & Music in the Field: On Saturday 10th August we'll be holding our next Big Build fundraiser. Between 1pm and 4pm join us on the church field to enjoy a delicious cream tea and listen to some music. More info coming soon – and if you'd like to help, Sophie would love to hear from you!

Paid Employment: We're looking to pay someone for 3 hours/week to oversee our Baby & Toddler Group. This takes place on Friday mornings and the focus of the role will be to supervise a team of volunteers. If you're interested in exploring this, please be in touch with Beverly.

Diary for the Coming Week

Morning prayer Mon, Tues, Weds 9.15am in the Reading Room and Zoom.

Thurs Holy Communion at 9.30am in the Reading Room.

Mon 22nd Barnabas Group, 26 Manor Way, 4.00pm

Thurs 25th Young Adults Study Group, 6 Scillonian Road, 7.30pm
Choir Rehearsal, Church, 8.00pm

Sat 27th Orchard Project Volunteer Morning, 10.00am-1.00pm
Young Adults Summer BBQ, Church Hall/Field, 3.00pm-8.00pm

Sun 28th BCP Communion, Reading Room, 8.00am
Family Communion, 10.00am
Tea-Time Church, Reading Room, 4.00pm

Daily Readings for the coming week

Mon 22nd Ps. 30, 1 Samuel 16:14-end, Luke 8:1-3

Tues 23rd Ps. 36, 1 Samuel 15:1-23, Luke 23:26-43

Weds 24th Ps. 34, 1 Samuel 16, Luke 23:44-56a

Thurs 25th Ps. 7, 2 Kings 1:9-15, Luke 9:46-56

Fri 26th Ps. 31, 1 Samuel 17:31-54, Luke 24:13-35

Sat 27th Ps. 42, 1 Samuel 17:55-18:16, Luke 24:36-end

Service Readings for Sunday 28th July: Trinity 9

2 Kings 4:42-end, Ephesians 3:14-end and John 6:1-21

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