

PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END

SHARING THE POWER OF GOD'S LOVE IN ESHER

Reconciling - Sustaining - Guiding - Healing

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

16 SEPTEMBER 2018

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time please introduce yourselves to a member of the clergy or one of our churchwardens or sidespeople. This sheet gives some words that will be needed in the services and notices about the life of the church communities. Please do take it home.

TODAY'S SERVICES

9.00am	Sung Communion at St George's led by The Venerable Paul Bryer, Archdeacon of Dorking
Reading & Prayers	Jenny Gerrard
Chalice	Bridget Williams
10.30am	Parish Communion at Christ Church led by The Venerable Paul Bryer, Archdeacon of Dorking
Churchwarden	Sandra Argent
Sides	Debbie Banks, Michael Banks, Caroline McDade
Reading	Caroline McDade
Prayers	Jane Tyrell
Chalice	Hannah Emerson, Geoff Walker

MUSIC

Anthem	<i>Jesu, joy of man's desiring</i> (Bach)
9.00am	Sung Communion
Hymns	589, 748 (omit v2), 453 (omit v3)
10.30am	Parish Communion
Hymns	589, 574, 748, 453
Organists	Keith Howell-Jones, Stuart Whatton

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

READING James 3.1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless

the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

PSALM 116.1-8

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.
- 2 Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- 3 The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.
- 4 Then I called on the name of the Lord: 'O Lord, I pray, save my life!'
- 5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.
- 6 The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.
- 7 Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.
- 8 For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

GOSPEL Mark 8.27-end

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

PARISH NOTICES

Thank you - To The Venerable Paul Bryer, Archdeacon of Dorking, for visiting us today and leading our services. It was a joy to worship with you.

Interregnum - The Parish of Esher is now officially in a temporary period of being without a Rector, known as an Interregnum ('between reigns') or a Vacancy. The legal responsibility for the parish now rests with the churchwardens, Sandra Argent and Beverley Eastwood-Taylor, in conjunction with the ministers and supported by the PCC. We will follow a process laid down by the Church of England to find and choose a new Rector. We will fully engage the parish in this process, will keep you informed of progress and will seek your views, feedback and opinions as and when appropriate.

Pet Service - Do bring your pets to this popular service at St George's, West End at 4pm today. It is a short and fun service to give thanks for our pets. All animals are welcome!

9am Communion - There will be a 9am service at St George's on Sunday 30 September.

Harvest Services - Our main Harvest Service will be on Sunday 7 October at 10.30am at Esher Church School. There will be no service at Christ Church. All welcome. Do stay for a 'bring & share lunch'. We will have a Harvest Service at St George's too. The collection and food donations will go to the Tearfund Hunger Steals campaign and Elmbridge Foodbank.

Morning Prayer & Sunday Morning Prayer - Fiona Owen is leading midweek morning prayer on a part time basis - check pewsheets and website for exact days. Fiona will also run morning prayer at 8am on Sunday 23 September and 14 October. Thank you.

New Roof at St George's - We are pleased to say that St George's is now looking resplendent with its brand new roof. Thanks to Hugh Miller for leading this and the guttering repair at Christ Church.



West End Village Fair - We raised £1,135 from the Bread & Cake Stall in St George's and £910 from the Afternoon Teas in the Village Hall. Thank you to Peter & Naomi Bedford and Helen Coulson for leading our efforts and to those who supported.

Voyagers & Pioneers - The first Voyagers (Yrs 4-6) of the year is this afternoon at Esher Church School, 5.30-7pm. If interested please email Kate Roux at kateroux@mac.com

Music on the Green lunchtime concert - We will be welcoming Aeris Brass to Christ Church on Wednesday 19 September. Lunch from 12.30pm. Concert at 1.10pm. Free entry.

Organ Recital at Hampton Court Palace - Stuart, our Director of Music, will be giving an organ recital in the Chapel Royal on Sunday 23 September at 1pm as part of their lunchtime series. All support most welcome! (Sorry, normal admission charges apply!)

Trumpeting Success - Congratulations to our parish organ scholar Nicholas Dibb-Fuller, who returns to us after his summer break with a trumpet diploma in his bag. He achieved a high pass in the challenging exam for which Stuart accompanied him in July.

Please stay for coffee or tea after the service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Naomi Shaw, Tara Duffy, Jackie Hinton, Shirley Marshall, Sheila Wilson, Yasmin Ingram, Betty Walker

RIP Anniversaries: Patrick Handyside, John Mitchell, Peter Lindow

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Taken from the Church of England Lectionary - readings for Morning Prayer (MP) are said at the times below. All are welcome to attend daily prayer at Christ Church.

September		Time	Reading
Monday	17	9.00-9.30am	1 Kings 12.25-13.10; Ps 44; Acts 19.8-20
Tuesday	18	9.00-9.30am	1 Kings 13.11-end; Ps 48; Acts 19.21-end
Wednesday	19		1 Kings 17; Ps 119.57-80; Acts 20.1-16
Thursday	20		1 Kings 18.1-20; Ps 57; Acts 20.17-end
Friday	21		1 Kings 19.15-end; Ps 49; 2 Timothy 3.14-end

LOOKING AHEAD

September		Time	Event
Sunday	16	4.00pm	Pet Service, St George's
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
Tuesday	18	8.00pm	Parochial Church Council (PCC) Meeting, Christ Church
Wednesday	19	12.30pm	Music on the Green lunchtime concert: Aeris Brass
Sunday	23	8.00am	Sunday Morning Prayer
		5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
Thursday	27	10.00am	Fellowship Group
Sunday	30	12.30pm	Baptism, Christ Church
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
October		Time	Event
Sunday	7	8.00am	Holy Communion, Christ Church
		9.00am	Harvest Service, St George's
		10.30am	Harvest Service, Esher Church School
		5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
Tuesday	9	11.30am	Communion, Arbrook House Care Home
Wednesday	10	2.00pm	Communion, Moore Place Care Home
Thursday	11	10.00am	Fellowship Group

CONTACTS

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All main events at Christ Church unless stated otherwise