

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

LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

28 OCTOBER 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

8.00am	Morning Prayer at Christ Church led by Fiona Owen
9.00am	Sung Communion at St George's led by David and Revd Nick Darby
Reading & Prayers	Bridget Williams
Chalice	Sue Langley
10.30am	Parish Communion at Christ Church led by Revd Nick Darby
Churchwarden	Will Stevens
Sides	Sue Dunne, Hannah Emerson Peggy Howell-Jones
Reading	Jennifer Meade
Prayers	Jane Tyrrell
Chalice	Hannah Emerson, Geoff Walker

MUSIC

Anthem	<i>To be a pilgrim</i> (Nicholas Burt)
9.00am	Sung Communion
Hymns	826, 506(omit v 3), 379
10.30am	Parish Communion
Hymns	826, 634, 506, 379
Organists	Keith Howell-Jones, Stuart Whatton Nicholas Dibb-Fuller

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

READING Jeremiah 31.7-9

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

PSALM 126

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.'

3 The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

4 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

5 May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

6 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

GOSPEL Mark 10.46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

PARISH NOTICES

Thank you - To Revd Nick Darby, for visiting us today and leading our services. It was a joy to worship with you.

All Souls Service - This year's All Souls Service at Christ Church will be led by David Gerrard and takes place on Sunday 4 November at 3.30pm. There is a list in Christ Church and St George's for you to add names of loved ones to be remembered in the service.

Attendance Count - During October you will notice more rigorous counting of adults and children across all services. Attendance data is a measure of our community health and is submitted to the Church of England to guide resource allocation. Please don't be concerned.

Interregnum - The Parish of Esher is in a temporary period of being without a Rector, known as an Interregnum ('between reigns') or a Vacancy. The legal responsibility for the parish rests with the churchwardens, Sandra Argent and Beverley Eastwood-Taylor, 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, we will keep you informed of progress and will seek your views, feedback and opinions as and when appropriate.

Prayer for our Churches - The PCC would like to invite you to join us for an hour of prayer for the future of our Parish on Tuesday 6 November, 8pm at St George's, West End. Prayer is the foundation of our lives and in this time of Vacancy it is more important than ever to pray as a church for God's plan for our future. We look forward to seeing you there - let's see if we can pack the church!!

WWI Centenary Commemoration - Music on the Green is pleased to commemorate the 1918 Armistice with the piano, clarinet and poetry of 'Wind & Words' who will transport us back to the early C20th. We hope this will be a fitting tribute on Wednesday 21 November. Free entry and light lunch from 12.30pm. Concert from 1.10pm. Retiring collection.

Christ Church Choir - We currently have about 13 adults in the choir, with additional singers joining us for special occasions. Besides leading the music and singing an anthem at the Parish Communion service on Sundays, we prepare for choral evensongs and also sing at occasional weekday services. New members of all ages are very welcome; some ability to read music is helpful but not essential. Weekly practice is on Monday evenings in Christ Church, from 7.15 to 8.45 pm. If interested or for more information please contact the Parish Office or call our Music Director, Stuart Whatton, on 07816 011621.

Parish Christmas Lunch - The Christmas Lunch will take place on Sunday 9 December at 12.30pm at the Bear. Two course menu, filter coffee and gratuity. Price £25 per person. Space is limited to 44 guests. All welcome. If interested please contact the Parish Office.

'Retiring But Not Shy' - Vocations Evening for 40-50+ - Thinking about a career change or planning retirement and feeling called to ministry? Why not attend a session organised by the Diocese of Guildford on Wednesday 7 November, 7.30-9.45pm, at St Paul's Church Dorking, RH4 2HT to hear stories of people called to ministry later in life. Book a place at cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events or email glynis.beazley@cofeguildford.org.uk

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, Margaret Williams, Jenny Kidd

RIP Anniversaries: Patrick Townend, Zak Gillard, Peter Knight, Richard Lindow, Susan Coulson, Irene Codd

RIP: Sheelagh Daley

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Taken from the Church of England Lectionary - readings for Morning Prayer are given below. All are welcome to use Christ Church for daily prayer.

Oct/Nov		Time	Reading
Monday	29		Wisdom 5.1-16; Ps 116; Luke 6.12-16
Tuesday	30		Judith 11; Ps 36; 2 Timothy 4.9-end
Wednesday	31		Judith 12; Ps 34; Titus 1
Thursday	1		Jeremiah 31.31-34; Ps 111; 2 Corinthians 4.5-12
Friday	2		Judith 15.1-13; Ps 31; Titus 3

LOOKING AHEAD

October		Time	Event
Sunday	28	5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
Tuesday	30	1.30pm	Funeral: Sheelagh Daley
November		Time	Event
Saturday	3	11.45am	Arbrook House Care Home Communion
Sunday	4	3.30pm	All Souls Service
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
Tuesday	6	8.00pm	Prayer for our Churches, St George's
Thursday	8	10.00am	Fellowship Group
Sunday	11	10.50am	Remembrance Civic Service & War Memorial Rededication
		5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
Saturday	17	11.15am	Moore Place Care Home Communion
Wednesday	21	12.30pm	Music on the Green lunchtime concert: World War One Centenary Commemoration
		8.00pm	Parochial Church Council (PCC) Meeting
Thursday	22	10.00am	Fellowship Group

CONTACTS

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All main events at Christ Church unless stated otherwise