



30 August 2020

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Welcome

Services online

Services – all available on the church YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ>


or via the church website:

<https://st-matthias-church.org/about-us/covid-19-corona-virus/>

(or follow links from 'covid/coronavirus' or 'services' tabs on home page)

<p>Sunday 30 August</p>	<p>9.30am Church Family Worship online “Bank Holiday Two Scoop Special”</p> <p>Today, we invite you to join our Church Family Worship with two flavours! We begin with a lively flavour - maybe with strawberry sauce and sprinkles? - to suit the taste of children and families, and follow this up with a more rounded flavour – maybe coffee? - for those who prefer something calmer!</p>  <p><i>10.30am Coffee on Zoom</i> https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73041356839?pwd=Y3B0TWNVdENjdlh5eTMrRmMvSWY1UT09 Meeting ID: 730 4135 6839 Passcode: j8xeRR</p> <p>10.30-12pm Church open for private prayer – the service at 11am has been cancelled. (Please see note below about wearing a face covering.)</p>
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Bible readings for today: Exodus 3:1-15
<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=exodus+3%3A++1-15&version=NIVUK>

Next week	<i>We welcome a speaker from ‘Compassion’ at our services today</i>
Wed 2 Sept	10-12.30pm Church open for private prayer
Sunday 6 Sept	9.30am Breakfastzone online <i>10.30am Coffee on Zoom</i> https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73041356839?pwd=Y3B0TWNVdENjdlh5eTMrRmMvSWY1UT09 Meeting ID: 730 4135 6839 Passcode: j8xeRR
	11am Holy Communion online
	11am Morning Worship in church

Collect

God of constant mercy,
 who sent your Son to save us:
 remind us of your goodness,
 increase your grace within us,
 that our thankfulness may grow,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Thanks go to...😊

Our sound and vision
 team – and to David
 who leads this

Sunday mornings @11am Morning Worship service in church

Sadly, we're still not able to sing, and we do have to wear a face covering to protect other people. But we now have a Perspex screen for the preacher and we can still all meet together to worship and pray.

There is usually space, but it's safest to phone to book in advance **01803 311488**

Please do not come into church if you are self-isolating, in the shielded group or looking after someone who is in that category.

For our praise and prayers this week

Sun	We pray for the persecuted Church, where to name the Name of Jesus is dangerous, and to meet to praise and adore Him is life threatening. Praise God for our freedom.
Mon	Pray for peace and justice in our world, and for all leaders who are fighting to make this happen. Pray for all NGOs trying to bring relief.
Tues	Pray for the USA as they prepare for their General Elections in ten weeks' time. Pray for politeness, honesty and respect for each other in their campaigning.
Wed	Pray for our Church Leaders, both national and local as they struggle to know how and when we can return to worship in the church buildings.
Thurs	Pray again against the Covid 19 pandemic. Pray for those who are searching for the right drug to kill it off.
Fri	Think of all those who are suffering from the pandemic – the bereaved, the frightened, those who have lost jobs or who have relationship problems at home.
Sat	Remember before God all bringing hope to the homeless, hungry and those in despair. We remember all of them in the Torbay area.
Sun	Praise the Lord that we can still worship in St. Matts and on line. Praise God for and pray for those who prepare the services.

News

Sad News We have heard that sadly, Jeyde Waite died last week. However, we do not know of any other details, including about any funeral arrangements, but will share those with the church family when we can.



'Exodus'why not join our circle for more Godly Play fun? NOW available on www.thegodlyplayroom.co.uk or through St Matthias Church's website. All lessons last around 20 minutes. Lena has put together fantastic activity packs which support children to explore each of these stories further. Email lenafearnley@googlemail.com and you will be sent one!

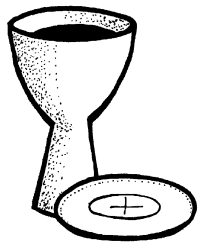
Stewards for church – would anyone like to be a steward on a Wednesday morning when the church is open for private prayer or on Sundays for the 11am service? We have a small team already but would love more to join. If so please contact Pere or Sylvia. Thank you.

Men's Breakfast HELP! Charlie's computer has crashed and he has lost all his Breakfast contacts so if you would like to attend any future Men's Breakfast meetings please contact Charlie at charlieallansen@gmail.com.

Beirut disaster support Church Mission Society, who are trusted mission partners of St Matthias, are assisting in the huge recovery work under way in Beirut. If you wish to give support, you may donate online, via the link below (scroll to the foot, and click on 'Give to CMS's work in Lebanon'). Alternatively, you can post a cheque, made out to 'Church Mission Society' enclosing a short note to specify the Beirut disaster, to: Church Mission Society, Watlington Road, Oxford, OX4 6BZ.

<https://churchmissionsociety.org/our-stories/lebanon-beyond-the-blast-a-call-to-prayer/>

Torquay Community Larder is still operating and in need of donations. Please contact Linda Townsend on 07790 640372 to make arrangements for collection. (Donations cannot be left in the church at the moment.) Thank you.



What is happening with Holy Communion?

On pages 5 and 6 of the notices on 16.8.20 there is a short reflection from John Beckett about when we might hold Communion services in the church, and it discusses the value of the online Communion service.

<https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/5f107d5e319c5/content/pages/documents/1597332775.pdf>

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(Pere is back at work full time from 1.9.20.)

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