



Welcome

Services online

Services – all available on the church YouTube channel:

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

or via the church website:

follow links from 'online services and worship resources' on home page

Sunday 11 Oct	8am Holy Communion (BCP) online
	9.30am All Age Harvest Service online
	10.30am Coffee on Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73557783878?pwd=VUNPQWo2UGZoR2x3TnBveE5wZXZIUT09 Meeting ID: 735 5778 3878 Passcode: 622Xfp
	11am Harvest Thanksgiving Service in church and live streamed <i>(We ask that you stay at home if you are unwell or have a health condition making you particularly vulnerable. Please wear a face covering. Sadly, we still cannot sing and the new rules banning social interaction in groups of more than six people means we need to be more careful as we enter and leave the church.)</i>
	5.30pm Prayer Meeting on Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79560444415?pwd=RUZUU1VXZTNhb3NtRzhOZFVvZVFuQT09 Meeting ID: 795 6044 4415 Passcode: ep9H0a

Bible reading for today: Matthew 13: 31-33

The parables of the mustard seed and the yeast

³¹ He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.'

³³ He told them still another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about thirty kilograms of flour until it worked all through the dough.'

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=matthew+13%3A++31-33&version=NIVUK>

Thanks go to... all those who have helped to prepare for the Church Annual Meeting on 18 October 😊

HARVEST FOOD

We are collecting for the Torquay Community Larder. Please bring any donations of non-perishable food to church this week

We're still collecting this week:
Mon-Fri 9am -12 noon, 2-4pm

The Larder will be grateful for the following items:

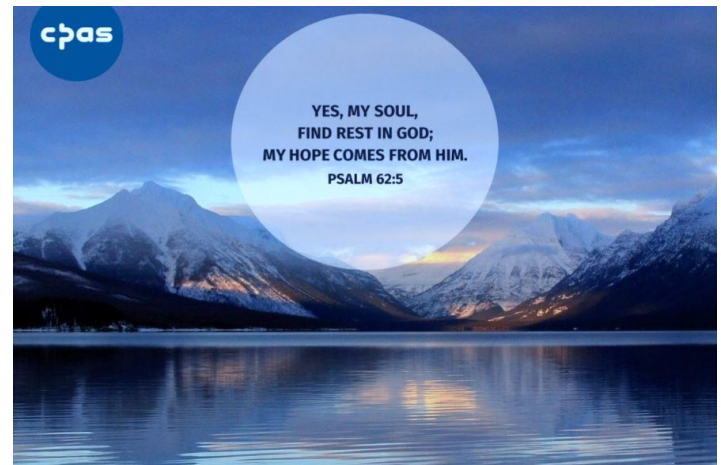
Tins of: Meat, rice pudding, veg, custard, fruit
 Small jars of coffee Sugar
 Bottles of squash Cereal
 Long life milk Treats!

THANK YOU!



Collect

Creator God,
 you made the goodness of the land,
 the riches of the sea
 and the rhythm of the seasons;
 as we thank you for the riches of
 your creation
 may we cherish and respect
 this planet and all its peoples,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Next week	
Wed 14 Oct	10 am - 12 midday Church open for private prayer
	Alpha Course <i>online</i> (see ad for details)
Fri 16 Oct	6.30-8pm Youth Club 😊 <i>online</i> If you want to get in contact with the youth team please email: stmattscandy@gmail.com
Sun 18 Oct	9.30am Growzone <i>online</i>
	10.30am Coffee on Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73557783878?pwd=VUNPQWo2UGZoR2x3TnBveE5wZXZIUT09 Meeting ID: 735 5778 3878 Passcode: 622Xfp
	11am Holy Communion <i>in church and live streamed</i>
	4pm APCM <i>on zoom</i> https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75422009553?pwd=dFJOQjA5aFRIM1QzUWpMR TdvcDBEUT09 Meeting ID: 754 2200 9553 Passcode: MJUdV7

Questions about life? and about the Christian faith?

Alpha ONLINE starts

Wednesday 14th October

745pm – 915pm

Week 1: 'Is there more to life than this?'

Week 2 on 21st Oct: 'Who is Jesus?'



Contact the Church Office so we can send you the zoom link to join in – why not give it a try?

admin@st-matthias-church.org

01803 214175

To contact the church:

Office: 01803 214175

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(The centre is open

during office hours:

9-12.30pm & 2-4pm

Monday to Friday)

Rector: John Beckett

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News



GODLY PLAY The Ark and the Tent God's people loved the Ten Commandments so much they wanted them with them always ... Find out more in our Godly Play Story available on www.thegodlyplayroom.co.uk or through St Matt's

website. Sessions last 20 mins. For a fantastic free activity pack which supports the stories, email lenafearnley@googlemail.com and you will be sent one!

Church Annual Meeting – Sunday, 18th Oct at 4 pm in church and online by Zoom. This is the occasion, postponed from April, when we meet to elect our churchwardens, PCC and Deanery Synod members, consider the Annual Report and look back over the past year. Anyone in the church may 'attend' but to vote you need to be on the electoral roll. If St Matthias is **your** church and you are not already on the electoral roll (most already are) do consider joining. Application forms are available from the office and the rear of the church. If you can't get to church at present, phone the office and we'll send one by email or post. To read the Annual Report and Reports from Church Groups go to the bottom of this webpage www.st-matthias-church.org/whats-on/latest-news/



Christmas Shoebox Appeal for the charity 'Christian Response to Eastern Europe' (CR2EE) Launched recently during the services and being coordinated by our young people, shoeboxes will be sent to Moldova not just to children but to parents and grandparents too! If you would like to join in please look out for more details or email stmattscandy@gmail.com. The deadline for the boxes is 14 November. Let's try and send as many shoeboxes as we possibly can do as a church 😊

Date for the diary: 3pm 1st November All Saints Day We plan to have a special service in the afternoon to remember those who have died recently from our church family, but where, with the covid restrictions we have not been able to attend a funeral. More details to come.

Prayer Walks – the next one is on 28 October starting at 7pm, meet at Barton Baptist Church. Part of Mission Torbay 2021 (Through Faith Mission)

Powerpoint? Is there anyone who can use Microsoft PowerPoint and can help with preparation for services on occasions? If so please contact Pere. Thank you.



Happy Apple Day 24 October 2-4pm in the Pre-School Adventure Area – see the website for more info and for how to book. Outdoor wild worship, prayers, songs and lots of creative fun for children and families.



Diary of a Disciple...another fun event for children

aged 5-11 on 27 October 10-12pm – explore the world of Dr Luke! Includes quizzes, crafts, drama and more. See the website for details. Booking is essential and places limited!

For our praise and prayers this week

Sun	All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above – then thank the Lord Praise God for His provision for all our needs. Pray that our giving today will help through the Torquay Community Larder.
Mon	Alpha online begins on 14 Oct. Pray for those considering whether to join in and for those leading, praying that it will be a real blessing for all of them.
Tues	The young people are organising the Christmas Shoebox appeal to send gifts to Moldova. Please may we all get involved and help make Christmas a more meaningful time for these needy folk.
Wed	Pray that the Lord will show a way to end the Coronavirus pandemic thus saving very much suffering. Pray for scientists looking for a cure.
Thurs	Pray for all those in our church family or friends and relatives of the family who are sick or finding life difficult in any way.
Fri	Thank God for all the care homes looking after the elderly or people with dementia. Pray for their safety and endurance.
Sat	Remember John and Paul and all who lead week by week. May they have inspiration of the Holy Spirit in their teaching and guidance of God's people.
Sun	Pray for the Annual Parochial Church Meetings this afternoon. Pray for John as he leads these meetings and especially for Tony Barrett who as Treasurer has a huge task to fulfil. Thank God for the Church Wardens Sylvia and Paul for all they have done over the past year.