



St. Luke's Day celebrating his life of evangelist and doctor

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
18 Oct**

9.30am Growzone online

10.30am Coffee on Zoom

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73557783878?pwd=VUNPQWo2UGZoR2x3TnBveE5wZXZIUT09>

Meeting ID: 735 5778 3878 Passcode: 622Xfp

11am Holy Communion in church and live streamed

(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.)

4pm APCM in church and on NEW zoom link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84322495218?pwd=aXJYM1FWU0dwZUZlOQ3BZMklnc281QT09>

Meeting ID: 843 2249 5218 Passcode: 750090

Bible reading for today: Luke 10:1-9

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=luke+10%3A+1-9&version=NIVUK>

Thanks go to... all those who have shared food with the Torquay Community Larder – and to those who serve there. 😊



Collect

Almighty God,
 you called Luke the physician,
 to be an evangelist and physician of
 the soul:
 by the grace of the Spirit
 and through the wholesome
 medicine of the gospel,
 give your Church the same love and
 power to heal;
 through Jesus Christ your Son our
 Lord,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

| Next week | |
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| Wed 21 Oct | 10 am - 12 midday Church open for private prayer |
| | Mission Torbay briefing 7- 7.30pm (zoom) https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78414617528?pwd=UnVpay8wdU5BbUJRMmtoQ2h3RE4yUT09 Meeting ID: 784 1461 7528 Passcode: P78K4s |
| | Alpha Course online (see ad for details) |
| | Fri 23 Oct |
| No Youth Club tonight – next one 6 November If you want to get in contact with the youth team please email: stmattscandy@gmail.com | |
| Sun 25 Oct | 9.30am Prayzone online |
| | 10.30am Coffee on Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73557783878?pwd=VUNPQWo2UGZoR2x3TnBveE5wZXZIUT09 Meeting ID: 735 5778 3878 Passcode: 622Xfp |
| | 11am Morning Worship in church and live streamed |
| | 5.30pm Prayer Meeting in church |

To contact the church:

Office: 01803 214175 admin@st-matthias-church.org

*(The centre is open during office hours:
 9-12.30pm & 2-4pm Monday to Friday)*

Rector: John Beckett 01803 293119

Asst Minister: Paul Barton 07807 636470

Joke of the Week: Has COVID-19 forced you to wear a mask and glasses at the same time? If so you could be entitled to condensation! 😊

Questions about life? and about the Christian faith?

Alpha ONLINE

Wednesday 21st October
745pm – 915pm '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

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News

Church Annual Meeting – **Sunday, 18th Oct at 4 pm** in church and online by Zoom. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84322495218?pwd=aXJYM1FWU0dwZUZlQ3BZMklnY281QT09> Meeting ID: 843 2249 5218 Passcode: 750090

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 - and look ahead too. 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/. **If you cannot join on zoom you are also most welcome to come to the church** where copies of the documents will be available.



'Mission Torbay 2021' – what's that?

To find out more about how you can be part of this exciting mission – join in a zoom meeting this Wednesday 21st October at 7pm. (See above calendar for zoom link.) As preparation for this event, please also join in the monthly Prayer Walks – the next one is on 28 October starting at 7pm, meet at Barton Baptist Church.



How are you getting on with your shoeboxes? If you are nearly there then please seal them down and bring in to St Matthias on **Saturday 14**

November during the morning (time tbc). Let's try and send as many

shoeboxes as we possibly can! 😊 For more info please email: stmattscandy@gmail.com

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. As a church family we particularly remember: Mary Langley, Audrey Cook, Dougie Anderson, Jeyde Waite and Helen Fearnley; but you may want to come to remember other people you know who have died recently too. Please phone to book a place on 01803 311488 where you will be asked for the following information: *your name; how many seats you are booking; your telephone number.*



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

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| Sun | Apart from our services today please pray for our Annual Parochial Church Meetings at 4pm. These are important meetings in the life of our Church and logistically difficult to lead with all the current restrictions in place. Pray for John Beckett as he leads and Tony Barratt who plays a huge part as he deals with the finances of the church. May we all attend and take part whether in the church building or at home online. |
| Mon | Remember all who mourn the loss of family or friends, especially those who are not allowed to the funerals because of the restrictions. May they all know our Lord's presence and comfort. Especially pray for Tessa Barton and family as she has recently lost her mother. |
| Tues | Pray for all who are ill at home or in hospital, praying that God will touch and heal them in any point of need. |
| Wed | Pray for the Alpha Course. For those who "attend" and those who lead, may they know the Holy Spirit's presence with them and leading them to Jesus. |

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| Thurs | Pray for the efforts being made to send Shoeboxes of goodies to needy people in Moldova. Thank God for all young people trying to encourage us all to participate. |
| Fri | Pray for the ministry of Lena as she encourages and leads Godly Play. Pray as she has contacts with children and parents that God will use her words and actions. |
| Sat | Pray for the Prayer Walk on 28th. Ask for insights in how to pray with imagination and faith. |
| Sun | Pray for the services today and all who lead. May we all be able to hear what God wants to say to us through His Holy Spirit and then be prepared to obey. |

Torquay Community Larder thank you for your kind Harvest donations. Further donations are always welcome – please continue to give if you can.



Church Giving During the Covid-19 pandemic our Sunday collection plate offerings have been severely reduced. To make it easier and more convenient for anyone to make an anonymous donation if they are in the church building either on a Sunday or during the week, we have now installed a

Card Reader which is mounted on the cabinet shelf on the wall of the South Transept, with some simple instructions for anyone to use with a credit or debit card. The church web site is also being updated to cover other forms of giving, including the Parish Giving Scheme, and the information necessary to access them. It can be found in the menu item headed 'Giving' under the 'Church Life' button at the top of the home page. If you have queries on the above please contact our Treasurer, Tony Barratt, Tel: 07984 001973 Email: tony@ab-consulting.org

Godly Play - The Ark and the Temple

David was not allowed to build a house for God, because he was a man of war. His son Solomon would build the temple. Find out more in our New Godly Play Story which is available from THIS SUNDAY on www.thegodlyplayroom.co.uk or through St Matthias Church's website. All sessions last around 20 minutes. Lena has put together fantastic free activity packs which support children to explore each of these stories further. Just email lenafearnley@googlemail.com and you will be sent one!

