



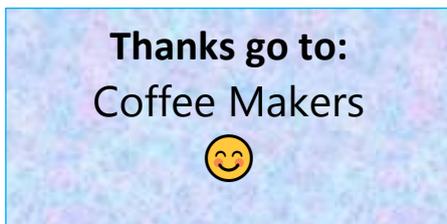
Welcome!

Join us either in church or online via our YouTube channel

<https://tinyurl.com/88s6x6fd>

or via the church website - follow links from 'online services and worship resources' home page

Sun 13 Nov Remembrance Sunday	8am Holy Communion <i>(from the Book of Common Prayer)</i>
	10-10.40am Special Prayer Meeting 'A World in Crisis' all welcome
	10.50am Remembrance Sunday Service <i>followed by coffee</i> https://youtu.be/tMp-aUXE-o0
	5.30pm Encounter <i>informal worship</i>



Collect

God, our refuge and strength,
 bring near the day when wars shall cease
 and poverty and pain shall end,
 that earth may know the peace of heaven
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Church usually open for visitors/prayer Monday – Friday 12-2pm

Tues 15 Nov	9-11.30am Toddlers <i>in the church</i>
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits <i>knit and natter in the Hall – all welcome</i>
Wed 16 Nov	9am Holy Communion <i>Do join us and have a coffee afterwards</i>
	10am Ukrainian support group/coffee morning
	12-5pm Warm Space in the church – <i>hot soup, hot drinks & chat</i>
	7.15-9pm St Matts Gospel Singers <i>practice in church</i>
Thurs 17 Nov	1.30-3.30pm Toy Swap <i>in the Hall</i>
Fri 18 Nov	10-11.30am Mummy & Me <i>in the church</i>
	2pm Memorial Service for Simon Robbins-van Rijn
	6.30-8pm Youth Club
Sat 19 Nov	7.30pm Big Quiz Night! <i>In the church</i>
Sun 20 Nov Christ The King	8am Holy Communion <i>(from the Book of Common Prayer)</i>
	9.30am Explore Together
	10.30am Gather to Pray
	11am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>

Readings for Today

Isaiah 2:1-5

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

² In the last days the mountain of the LORD's temple will be established
as the highest of the mountains;

it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it.

³ Many peoples will come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.

He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths.'

The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴ He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples.

They will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks.

Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war any more.

⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

Matthew 5:1-16

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

He said:

³ 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵ Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷ Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

¹³ 'You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ 'You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

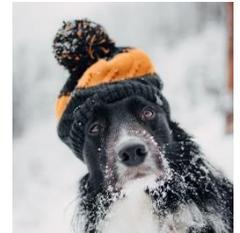
Warm space - begins this week!



Wednesday 16th November 'Warm Space' begins

St Matthias will be opening as a Warm Space weekly on Wednesdays from 12noon - 5pm. Drop in for hot soup, a roll and hot drink, a chat and to keep warm. Hopefully church members will drop in and socialise along with others from the area around us. Everyone welcome! See the notice board at the back of church for details.

Winter Fuel Allowance Would anyone like to donate some or all of their fuel allowance to help those who are in need this winter? If you are in the PGS scheme, you can call them to change it for one payment by phoning: 03330 021260, or, if paying by BACS, the Church's account details are: Sort Code: 40-52-40, Account No. 00017933 Please mark up payments with 'Winter Fuel'. Thank you.



Other News

Survey

Please help us discern the next steps God wants for us as a church community by completing a specially designed online survey. It's anonymous and only takes about 10-

15 minutes! The PCC will be reviewing the results at a special meeting in early December so the surveys need to be completed by Sunday 27th November. Just click on the link here <https://form.typeform.com/to/rAn5RyYS> (A couple of things you need to know when completing the survey - we are in the Totnes Archdeaconry and our Mission Community is St Matthias Torquay.) If you felt very inspired to help, there are some different and very interesting questions in a second, shorter survey you could also complete for us please (only 4 minutes!)

<https://hop8a5h9big.typeform.com/to/lw54PtGg>

(This is a version of the survey which has also gone to Church and Centre users in the local community). Thank you very much.

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NEXT STEPS 

Dates for your diary!



Toy Swap Thurs 17 Nov 1.30-3.30pm in the Hall – join us to find a 'new' toy for free and bring along your pre-loved, good condition toys and games and do a swap!

Big Quiz Night – Sat 19th Nov at 7.30pm – raising money for Tearfund. Please register your team (4-6 people) by emailing ecoaction@st-matthias-church.org. (You can come on your own too! - teams can be joined on the day so just email if you would like to come.)



We will be serving refreshments half-way through the evening but you are welcome to bring your own beer/wine if you would like to. Donations can be made through our Just Giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/eco-action-group-st-matthias-torquay>



Shoe Boxes...Just a reminder that you can bring your Christmas shoe box(es) to the Friend's Christmas Market this Saturday or, alternatively, leave in Church for us to collect by no later than **Wednesday 23rd November** - this has to be the very last day before the lorry needs to be loaded! Any questions, contact Lena on 295268.

Prayers

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers this week

Sun Praise God for our Saviour Jesus Christ in whom we have all our needs met.

Mon We pray that the COP27 in Egypt will result in ambitious policies and solutions which match the scale and urgency of the climate crisis. So, we pray for delegates and world leaders and grant them energy and wisdom.

Tue We pray for your planet, for all creation, that solutions be found to restore and protect our natural world which you have entrusted to us. We pray for the countries which are resistant to engagement, that you may intervene in their national lives to bring home the importance of a global response.

Wed We pray that global action may convert into community responses here in Torbay; that each of us may review our lifestyles to make a difference.

Thu We pray for the young for whom this is most crucially vital, for appropriate protests and campaigning, for Hope where there might be despair, for action where there might be depression.

Fri Please pray for all the activities taking place this week, that King Jesus will be honoured and His Name uplifted.

Sat Pray for all who suffer as a result of covid or the financial situation, physical problems or bereavement.

Sun Remember our clergy, John, Paul, and Pete, and all who assist in preparing and leading our services, may God's Holy Spirit inspire each of them.

CHRISTMAS!

Welcomers and Stewards Would you like to welcome the congregation and visitors to our church over Christmas? We are looking for people to help at our services on Christmas Eve. Please see the sign-up sheets at the back of church.



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Please note that our services are often live-steamed