



Sunday 17 July 2022

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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

Today	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>)
	9.30am Explore Together
	11am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i> https://youtu.be/apJrE8gspOw Activity Sheet - The Upside-Down Kingdom
	5.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>all welcome</i>

Collect

Almighty God,
 send down upon your Church
 the riches of your Spirit,
 and kindle in all who minister the gospel
 your countless gifts of grace;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Thanks go to:
 Pastoral Care
 Team



Church open for visitors/prayer Monday, Thursday, Friday 12-2pm

Tues 19 July	9.30-11am Toddlers <i>on Stoodley Green</i>
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits – <i>knitting group all welcome in the Hall</i>
	3.15pm Messy Church <i>Please pre-book on 295268 or stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org</i>
Wed 20 July	9am Holy Communion
	10am Ukrainian support group/coffee morning
	7.15-9pm St Matts Gospel Singers <i>practice in church</i>
Fri 22 July	10-11.30am Mummy & Me <i>in church (last one – back in Sept!)</i>
	7pm Youth Slip & Slide <i>Torwood Gardens...see next page</i>
Sun 24 July	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>)
	9.30am Explore Together – <i>note new time today</i>
	10am Prayer for Ukraine <i>all welcome</i>
	11am Morning Worship

Readings for Today

1 Corinthians 1: 18 – 2:5

¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written:

‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.’

²⁰ Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. ²² Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

²⁶ Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things – and the things that are not – to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him. ³⁰ It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God – that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written: ‘Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.’

2 And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit’s power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God’s power. ⁶ We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷ No, we declare God’s wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. ⁸ None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Matthew 11: 25-30

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, ‘I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ ‘All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ ‘Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.’

What's on?



From Laura Guihen – our new Youth Worker!

I just wanted to say a BIG thank you to you all for such a warm welcome. I'm really looking forward to serving at St Matthias.

There are some exciting summer events for our young people below - watch this space for more in the coming months!

Youth Summer Social – In Years 6 – 11? Come and join us at Goodrington beach on Sunday the 17th of July for our multi-church youth summer social!

We are meeting at the bandstand at 3pm for lots of games, fun and hot dogs.

We will finish at 5pm. We'd love to see you there.

Youth Slip and Slide - Come to the last youth club of this academic year on Friday the 22nd of July at 7pm. Weather depending, we will be having a water fight and enjoying a Slip and Slide with our friends at Riviera Life Church. Meet us at Torwood Gardens (the green opposite Riviera Life Church) at 7pm with a towel and a drink to keep you hydrated. It will be lots of fun! Please sign up for these events here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1g5SDF69MA5I_G2VkuDW0VPSe553L-al4Molzqx1v_nc/edit or email Laura at stmattsyw@st-matthias-church.org for more information.



St Matthias Summer Social ...for the whole family

7th August 4-6pm We're hosting a summer social at Goodrington Sands on the 7th August with a free BBQ and outdoor games for the young or young at heart! Book in and let us know whether you have any dietary requirements via the St Matthias Eventbrite page >

stmattiaschurch.eventbrite.co.uk

'Explore' and 'Explore @4' Services

Thank you for bearing with us as we try to find what works best for our informal services. It is clear that moving two services a month to 4pm has not been helpful for most people and after a review by those involved and discussion at the PCC last Monday it has been agreed to return to the model of having 3 services each month at 9:30, which will be called 'EXPLORE TOGETHER', following the format we've been using these last few months. These will be in the Hall, which has been the case for the last couple of weeks – and there promises to be bacon and toast on the 1st Sunday each month!

Once a month we will have 'ENCOUNTER', with involvement of the Young People, and this will go back to 5:30.

Whenever we find 5 Sundays in a month – like in July – we want to have a combined

service where everyone can meet together to worship God and be community.

1 st Sunday:	Explore Together	at 9:30am
2 nd Sunday:	Encounter	at 5:30pm
3 rd Sunday:	Explore Together	at 9:30am
4 th Sunday:	Explore Together	at 9:30am
5 th Sunday:	United Service	at 11:00am



Church Pre-School Job Vacancy – Assistant Manager...we are looking for a very special person to join our team. It's a leadership position managing a small team of staff and the daily running of a Pre-School. Enquiries to the church office (admin@st-matthias-church.org) or indeed.com



MESSY CHURCH – last one this term!

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Zac's up the tree... Luke19:1-10

All families are welcome

At St Matthias Church

TUESDAY 19TH JULY
3.15 - 5.30PM



Take a Walk In My Shoes, Before You Judge Me!

Full of indoor fun, crafts, worship and much more!
- Supper for all included!

Pre Booking is essential. Please book by calling Lena Fearnley on 295268 or stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org

Prayer

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayer

Sun Pray for greater sense of integrity and honesty leading to trust and love both in State and Church, especially in the appointment of a new Prime Minister.

Mon We continue to pray for all who are ill, awaiting treatment, have recently been bereaved or who face tensions at home and work.

Tue Think of the plans for the young people and pray for Laura Guihen as she takes up the leadership of the youth work.

Wed As the Ukrainian Support is on in our church let us pray for peace in the world. For the terrible situation in Ukraine, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, East Africa and so many other countries.

Thu Pray that all the vacant jobs in the church will be met.

Fri Many people stopped attending Church during the pandemic. Pray that they may soon feel the desire to rejoin us.

Sat More and more people in Torbay are needing to use Food Banks and many suffering real financial difficulties - pray that their needs will be met.

Sun We pray for our Church leaders, Bishops Nigel, Jacqui and Nick (who prepares to retire) and Prebendary James Grier appointed to become Bishop of Plymouth.