



Welcome to our Services

in church and online via our YouTube channel

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

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

We welcome the team from **Through Faith Missions** who are joining us for this week as part of the **Torbay Mission**

**Sun 19
Sept**

9.30am Growzone *in church and livestreamed*

<https://youtu.be/QeP9wU3Roc4>

There is a sheet about the passage and about Peter here <https://tinyurl.com/27ebs99v>

10.30am Coffee Time *on zoom*

Grab a drink and log in to 'zoom' to meet and catch up with others in the St Matthias family!

<https://tinyurl.com/35vr9jih> Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8

11.00am Holy Communion *in church and livestreamed*

followed by a cup of coffee outside/in the hall if wet!

<https://youtu.be/VssyZHdUX8w>

3.00 - 4.30pm Families' Picnic *on Ilsham Green - see below*

6.00pm Commissioning Service for Mission Torbay

at Christ Church Preston – details below

Our readings this week are:

Acts 5: 12-16 <https://tinyurl.com/x69xzhhc>

John 15:9-17 <https://tinyurl.com/4h2fhw2a>

Thanks go to:

**Our musicians and
singers**



Collect

Spirit of truth

Whom the world can never grasp,

Touch our hearts with the shock of your coming;

Fill us with desire for your disturbing peace;

And fire us with longing to speak your

uncontainable word,

Through Jesus Christ, Amen

(Janet Morley)

Next Week at St Matts

Mon - Fri	9am short service led by the Mission Team – all welcome to join
Tues 21 Sept	9.00 -11.30am Toddlers <i>in the church</i>
	12.00 – 1.30pm Matt’s Knits <i>on the piazza/in the Hall</i>
	3.30pm Messy Church
Wed 22 Sept	9.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) <i>in church</i> <i>If you’ve not been before, do come along to join us for a simple service of communion</i>
	10.30 – 11.30am Church open for private prayer
Fri 25 Sept	10.00 -11.30am Mummy and Me <i>in church</i>
	10.30 – 11.30am Church open for private prayer
Sun 26 Sept	9.30am Prayzone <i>in church and livestreamed</i>
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Church Family News



Torbay Mission is here! Please see the poster at the end for how you can join in. Some help is still required with *lifts* etc so please contact Joanna if you can help with this 07910 828321

Responding to the changes in Covid regulations.

Several people have asked why we are continuing to ask people to wear a mask: We appreciate that there is no longer a mandate to do so, and that other churches may be more relaxed than we are, but as you will be aware in Torbay the level of infection is amongst the UK’s highest, and we are urged by both government and our Church Leaders to continue to respect one another and be aware of the ongoing risks, knowing that even those of us vaccinated can still carry the virus.

This is why we continue to ask people:

- to sign in via the QR code on arrival
- to respect each other’s personal space and maintain 1-2m social distancing
- to wear a mask inside in order to protect others more than ourselves
- to refrain from embracing one another in the Peace
- to continue to use ‘intinction’ (dipping the wafer into the wine) during communion.

Offering Many people will be familiar with the Collection Plate being passed around in a Church service. Because of Covid (how many times has that phrase been used?!) we have not been passing a basket around, but instead have baskets at the back as

well as a card reader which is near the entrance to the Link Corridor. If you are not signed up with the Parish Giving Scheme, nor have a standing order in place, and wish to contribute to the work of St Matthias, then please make use of either the basket or the card reader. Thank you.

Youth and Outreach Worker We are continuing to advertise for a youth and outreach worker to begin in October. Thank you to all who have agreed to financially support this vital post. Please continue to pray for this ministry.

Ways to serve and wanted



Messy Church... Book now! Tuesday 21st September at 3.30 - 5.30pm. Come and discover the story of Blind Bartimaeus. Full of outdoor fun, crafts, worship with supper

included! We are also having a talk from The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association including a guide dog and trainer. We are really looking forward to the start of this new Messy Church Season and meeting up with all the families after the summer break. For bookings call Lena Fearnley 01803 295268 or stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org



Coffee on a Sunday – it was lovely to enjoy a drink after the 11am service last Sunday. Do come and join us for a cuppa!

And if you'd like to help the 9.30am zone services are still looking for volunteers for the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays. Please contact Pere.

Stewards Would you like to welcome people on a Sunday at the 11am service? If so please contact Sylvia: sylvia@ab-consulting.org

Other news and events

Open House Toddler Group meets on a Tuesday morning... We welcome children aged 0 to 4yrs together with their parents, grandparents or other carers to join us for a relaxed morning including play, chat, a bible story, craft and songs – not forgetting refreshments! Please contact Judi on 211947 if you have any queries.

TODAY! Families' Picnic – please bring your own picnic and join us for games on Ilsham Green (the end away from the beach) on Sunday 19th September 3 – 4.30pm. We will have some organised games for those who want to join in but do bring other outdoor games if you would like to.

Torbay Men's Breakfast begins again in October on the first Saturday of each month for fellowship, a full English breakfast and to listen to a variety of speakers. It's at the

Livermead House Hotel at 8.30 for 9am, cost £15. For more information:
torbay.mens.breakfast@gmail.com

Congratulations to Brendon Prince for completing his 141 days Paddleboarding right around Britain to promote water safety <https://www.facebook.com/thelongpaddle2021/>

4 Week Creation Care Course Beginning on 7 October this is a collaboration between The Diocese of Chester, HeartEdge, Melanesian Mission UK and Southampton University. The course will provide you with vital information about climate change, its impacts on people and reflect on our role as Christians in taking practical climate action. Subjects include: Caring for Creation, Understanding Climate Change, Living Climate Change, Taking Action. Please register separately for each week

here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAkcu6opz4rEtFamJIs6M2cAlvzTQmJT0a>

Lifts to church – if anyone would like a lift to church please could you contact the office. And would anyone be able to offer to either give someone a lift in their car or offer to drive the minibus? Again please contact the office and Pere can give you more information about both these options.



Alpha Course – we will be running an Alpha course soon (online and in person). If anyone is interested in attending please contact the office. Dates to be announced shortly.

Prayer

We would be glad to pray with you over the phone. Please phone our usual Office number 01803 214175. You are more likely to be able to speak to someone quickly Monday to Friday in office hours, but even at weekends, the messages are checked at least twice a day so someone will return your call.

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers

Sun Mission Torbay. The Mission begins tonight with Bishop Nick leading a commissioning service at Christ Church, Preston. Pray that right from the beginning of this Mission Jesus will be uplifted and people drawn into the Kingdom of God. Remember to pray for the team from **Through Faith Missions**.

Mon Pray for all who are ill, or recently bereaved, or suffer from addictions. Pray for **Girls Allowed Treasure Trail Walk** around Cockington – for conversations held about Jesus and faith.

Tue Pray for **Messy Church**, pray for Mission Team conversations with children and parents. Pray for **Nicci Maxwell our CMS Mission Partner** in Uganda. Pray that she has wisdom as she treats little children as well as Covid patients.

Wed Jesus said **“Let the children come to me and do not forbid them”** Our children and young people desperately need leadership help. Pray that the right person will answer the advert for a youth worker.

Thur **As the party political conference season starts**, pray for good debate and public discussion of the many issues facing our country at this uncertain time. Pray for positivity, constructive ideas and collaborative approaches. Government works best with a good opposition. Please pray for the opposition discussions. Pray for the government over this autumn facing many difficult decisions, nationally and internationally. Pray for the **evening of fun with Dave Kelly, ‘Man in Black meets Man in White’**. Pray people will come and be moved.

Fri Pray for the evening with **Jonathan Veira at Christ Church Preston**.

Pray for **Mummy and Me** which meets on Fridays (for babies 0-12 months).

Sat. Pray for the **Mission Men’s Breakfast** – for those preparing the meal and those attending, asking God to meet everyone’s needs.

Sun Pray for the leadership team and all who help them spread the Gospel in our church. Pray for the clergy – John Beckett, Paul Barton, Pete Norris, Brian Gerry and Mark Lord-Lear.

Come and Join Us... All welcome

Mummy and Me!

Starting again Friday 10th September

New 0-12 months



Every Friday 10-11.30am
at St Matthias Church Wellswood Torquay

Come make friends. Relax,
continue Postnatal education and
have fun.

Delivered by Kate Hancox – Daisy Foundation Trained

For further details call Lena Fearnley on 01803 295268
stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org

Come and join us for the New Season of... All families welcome

Messy Church

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At St Matthias Church



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full of outdoor fun, crafts, worship and much more!
- Supper included!

Including a talk from
the Guide Dogs For
The Blind Association



Pre Booking is essential. This afternoon will go ahead whatever
the weather – indoors if wet!

Please book by calling Lena Fearnley on 295268 or
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OUR NEXT FREE ANTENATAL COURSE
AT ST MATTHIAS CHURCH IN TORQUAY
Starts September 2021



Starting Blocks For Family Life



Dates (all Thursdays):
30th September
7th 14th 21st October
And 4th November
Time: 7.30 - 9.00pm

Book your free course NOW

Find us on Facebook or www.beginwell.org.uk

Begin Well is a charity founded by a health visitor and a consultant
obstetrician.
Created from NHS guidelines to help prepare for the arrival of your new
baby.

Run by: St Matthias Church, Babbacombe Road, Wellswood, TQ1 1HW
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Mission Week 19-26 September Dates for the Diary

Sunday 19th September: **Commissioning service with Bishop Nick** at 6.00pm at Christ Church, Preston. Our team members, alongside those based in other churches, will be commissioned for the work they will be sharing across Torbay.

Monday 20th September (Wednesday if rain stops play): **Girls Allowed Treasure Trail Walk** round Cockington. We meet from 6pm at The Court, finishing at The Drum. Why not invite a friend or neighbour? Mission Team members will join us too. Numbers needed: please let Sue Day know you are coming: robandsued@gmail.com OR 07550 013101. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thursday 23rd September at 7.30pm at St Matts in the Hall: **Man in Black meets Man in White** – an evening of entertainment and a bit of fun with **Dave Kelly!** Tickets are free – just turn up!



Friday 24th September: **An evening with Jonathan Veira** at Christ Church, Preston, starting at 7.30pm. Jonathan is a Christian entertainer, raconteur and pianist. (**'He is often at Spring Harvest and is brilliant'** Paul Barton) Tickets £10, in advance from St Paul's Church, Preston, or on the door. Watch a short YouTube clip here:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=pdop6VCaqlk>

Saturday 25th September: **Men's Breakfast** in the Hall at 9.00am. which will be a good opportunity to come and catch up as well as a chance to bring a friend along. A voluntary donation of £5 to cover costs is requested. It's not too late to book in - if you would like to come, please contact Kevin or Diane Francis: devonfrans@blueyonder.co.uk (07806 621497)

Going door-to-door with our visiting team

We shall be welcoming a team of 8 people (5 men and 3 women) from Through Faith Missions to join with us in mission, from 19th – 26th September. As well as taking part in activities going on in church, they will be visiting people door-to-door. If you feel called to join them in doing this – paired with a team member – please get in touch with Andrew 07729 362802 or Joanna 07910 828321, or a member of the clergy team.

