



Welcome!



Sunday 24 September 2023

www.st-matthias-church.org

“Generous God – Generous People”

Join us in church or online

www.youtube.com/@stmatthiaschurchtorquay6827/streams

Sun 24 Sept	9am Said Holy Communion at St Matthias https://youtube.com/live/2NoLndip1Zc?feature=share 10.30am Ordination service - see below 5.30pm ‘Praise @ 5.30’ - informal worship at St Matt’s
Ordination of Claire and Ruth	10.30am Ordination of Claire Reynolds and Ruth Beckett at St Paul’s Church, Preston 19 Locarno Ave, Paignton, TQ3 2DH There is no 8 am or 11am service at St Matthias

Church open for visitors and prayer Wednesdays 12-3pm

Mon 25 Sept	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom 7.30pm Q & A Finance in the Hall
Tues 26 Sept	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom 9-11.30am Toddlers 12-1.30pm Matt’s Knits knit and natter in the church – all welcome
Wed 27 Sept	9am Holy Communion 9.40am Ukrainian support group 10am Romans course in the Lounge https://tinyurl.com/yr8j53pv 12-3.30pm ‘Welcome Space’ in the church 1-2pm and 6-7pm Special Time of Prayer in church
Thurs 28 Sept	9-9.30am Morning Prayer on zoom 1-2pm and 6-7pm Special Time of Prayer in church
Fri 29 Sept	10-11.30am Mummy & Me 6.30-8pm Youth Club in the Hall
Sat 30 Sept RENEWAL!	9.30am-1pm Workshops with refreshments from 9am 7pm Evening Celebration
Sun 1 Oct RENEWAL! see overleaf for details	8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) 9.30am Explore Together with breakfast! 10.30am Gather to Pray 11am Holy Communion followed by coffee/tea

Morning Prayer zoom information: tinyurl.com/mr4dd2ey
Meeting ID: 792 8948 0664 Password: Pray
We use the ‘Daily Prayer’ app – it’s free: tinyurl.com/yc88txae

Generous God – Generous People

This year, our regular 'Give to God Sunday' is being extended over a number of weeks to explore biblical teaching about money and giving.

If you missed last Sunday's important presentation about the church finances, please pick up a leaflet in church, [download here](#) and [here](#) or you can watch here https://youtu.be/2S7Q0Yv9K_A



Q and A with Kevin, the treasurer on Monday 25th 7.30pm in church.

Ideally email questions in advance please treasurer@st-matthias-church.org

Generous God – Generous People Bible study booklets available on Welcome Desk in church

Renewal Weekend

Our Generous God – there's always more!

But we also want to receive more from God – his renewing and refreshing – as individuals and together as a church.

So, this coming week, please will you

- Commit to come to one of the Special Prayer sessions listed below
- Come to learn and receive at the Saturday morning workshop of teaching and evening Celebration

Prayer for Renewal

Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th 1pm - 2pm & 6pm - 7pm

we gather to seek to know more of God, his renewing, his plans and provision for us. If you can, you may like to fast over those periods to help your praying.

Renewal Weekend

Saturday 30th September *with Stephen & Janet Dinsmore*

9.30am until 1.00pm *(with coffee from 9am – and at 11!)*

'Always more to Jesus'

'Always more to the Spirit'

7.00pm Evening Celebration

'Spiritual blessings in Christ'

Sunday 1st October 'Always more to worship'

8.00am Prayer Book Communion

9.30am 'Explore Together' with breakfast

11.00am Holy Communion



Revd Stephen Dinsmore

RESOURCE MINISTER

ReSource Ministers, Alongside

LATEST NEWS & PRAYERS BY REV. STEPHEN

[More Information](#)

About Revd Stephen & Janet Dinsmore of ReSource www.resource-arm.net

Stephen's passion is to see God's people prepared and repaired for their works of service, through encounter with the Spirit. Stephen ministered in parishes in Hull, County Durham, North London, Plymouth (St. Jude's), and Essex, often with a focus on the emerging Fresh Expressions of Church

germinated by the Spirit. From 2007 to 2021 Stephen led SOMA ('Sharing of Ministries Abroad') to fulfil his passion to encourage, equip and empower church leaders through encounter with the Spirit, internationally across East Africa and parts of the Indian subcontinent. He and his wife Janet (a retired teacher and a Lay Worship Assistant in Bath and Wells Diocese) live in Somerset. They have three adult children and six grandchildren.

Readings

1 Chronicles 29: 9-14

⁹ The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

¹⁰ David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, 'Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.

¹¹ Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendour, for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

¹² Wealth and honour come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

¹³ Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

¹⁴ 'But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

Luke 18: 18-30

¹⁸ A certain ruler asked him, 'Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

¹⁹ 'Why do you call me good?' Jesus answered. 'No one is good – except God alone. ²⁰ You know the commandments: "You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honour your father and mother."' ²¹ 'All these I have kept since I was a boy,' he said. ²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, 'You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.'

²³ When he heard this, he became very sad, because he was very wealthy. ²⁴ Jesus looked at him and said, 'How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.'

²⁶ Those who heard this asked, 'Who then can be saved?'

²⁷ Jesus replied, 'What is impossible with man is possible with God.' ²⁸ Peter said to him, 'We have left all we had to follow you!' ²⁹ 'Truly I tell you,' Jesus said to them, 'no one who has left home or wife or brothers or sisters or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God ³⁰ will fail to receive many times as much in this age, and in the age to come eternal life.'

News & Events



ALPHA Do you want to know more about the Christian faith? Do you have questions but don't know who to ask? Claire & Sharon are running an Alpha course, weekly in the church lounge on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm **starting on 5th October** for 9 weeks. Coffee and cake to start with! Please speak to one of us for more details. Sharon.hiley2@gmail.com
Claire.reynolds.bmc@gmail.com 07858 313677

Sad news that Bernard Johnson died last week. His funeral will be held at St Matthias on Monday 2 October at 1.30pm. We pray for his family and friends at this time.

Latest news from Nicci Maxwell [Nicci Maxwell - newsletter Sept 23](#)

A very big thank you to all the church family, for your love, care and prayers over these last few months. Your support has been an enormous help to me in caring for my brother Colin during his illness. He had a lovely send-off in Yeovil last week with family, friends and colleagues from across his lifetime. He is now at peace with all the saints. Sincere thanks from Cliff and the family.

Prayer Suggestions for our prayers and praise this week

Monday Claire and Ruth were ordained for ministry yesterday. Pray for them and for all who minister in our church.

Tuesday Floods in Libya have wiped out the city of Derna and killed thousands. Pray for the bereaved, the homeless and all aid agencies.

Wednesday We are meeting as a church (today & tomorrow) for spiritual renewal as we meet the opportunities and challenges that face us as a church. Pray for God's Spirit to move among us as we gather to pray.

Thursday House Groups are studying Romans: a book that Tyndale "called the most excellent part of the New Testament". Pray that this letter still changes people!

Friday The CofE Independent Safeguarding Board is in disarray. Pray for the interim commissioner as he deals with individual victims and churches – that there will be justice and compassion.

Saturday The Renewal weekend is taking place today and tomorrow. Pray for Steve & Janet Dinsmore as they lead us – and for our hearts to be open to the Holy Spirit.

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[Please note that our services are often live streamed](#)