



Sunday 24 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 – note new time today Activity Sheet: Salt & Light
	10am Gather to Pray <i>all welcome</i>
	11am Morning Worship https://youtu.be/ZjIhFptDf6E
	3pm Farewell Service for Bishop Nick at Exeter Cathedral

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Thanks go to:

Those helping with
the schools leavers
services this week



NEXT WEEK

Tues 26 July	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits – <i>knitting group all welcome in the Hall</i>
	12-2pm Church open for visitors/prayers
Wed 27 July	9am Holy Communion
	10am Ukrainian support group/coffee morning
Sun 31 July	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>)
	11am Family Holy Communion for EVERYONE , together! <i>This will be Ruth's last service with us before her Ordination and we will have drinks and cake in the Hall after the service</i>

Readings for Today

At the 8.00 and 11.00 services:

1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

¹² 'I have the right to do anything,' you say – but not everything is beneficial. 'I have the right to do anything' – but I will not be mastered by anything. ¹³ You say, 'Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both.' The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, 'The two will become one flesh.' ¹⁷ But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit. ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honour God with your bodies.

Matthew 5: 27-30

²⁷ 'You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." ²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

At the 9:30 EXPLORE TOGETHER service:

Matthew 5:13-16 - Salt and Light

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.

What's on?



7th August 4-6pm

St Matthias Summer Social ...

An event for the whole church family!

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! Everyone who is a part of St

Matthias is welcome – book in and let us know whether you have any dietary requirements via the St Matthias Eventbrite page > tmatthiaschurch.eventbrite.co.uk If you have a 'Food handling Certificate' and can help at the BBQ we would really love to hear from you!

'Explore' and 'Explore @ 4' Services

Just a reminder of last week's message - we are returning to the model of having 3 services each month at 9:30, **'EXPLORE TOGETHER'**, following the format we've been using these last few months. These will be in the Hall, 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, at 5:30pm.

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



Mummy & Me, Messy Church and the Youth Group are having a summer break – back in September! The **Toddler Group** is having a break too...apart from a get-together on 2 August on Stoodley Green from 10-12pm.

Family News

As mentioned last week, **Gillian Rose**, who had moved back to Wales to be near to her son, Adrian, died on July 9th and her funeral will be on Wednesday 27th July at 2pm at Flintshire Chapel and can be watched using this link:

<https://watch.obitus.com/g7hFky>

Username: sebi1959 Password: 450207

Dot Andrews It is with sadness that we report the passing of Dot who is now with her Lord and Saviour for which we give thanks. Dot passed away peacefully on Tuesday with her daughter at her side. Please uphold Julia and all of Dot's family and friends in your prayers at this difficult time. There will be a private cremation on 29 July.

Other News

Alarming the building...we are looking for someone who may be willing to alarm the building regularly on a Saturday evening or possibly on a rota. It is often at about 5pm but on a few occasions each year it may be at 10.30pm if there is an event or concert. For more information please contact Pere in the office. Thank you.

Prayer

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayer

Sun May we keep Sunday special – a time to remember our Lord and what that means to our worship of Him corporately, and thank God for freedom to do so.

Mon Pray for our country with the chaos for leadership. Pray for grace and wisdom in choices to be made – may they look to God.

Tue Her Majesty our Queen and the Royal family must be in our prayers according to Scripture.

Wed Pray for our world with the awful struggles in Ukraine, Afghanistan, India, Sri Lanka, Sudan East Africa and many other countries. For places with natural disasters of fire and floods.

Thu For Nicci Maxwell in Uganda, as she ministers in Potters Village and the local Government hospital and dispensaries. May she have wisdom and find friendship.

Fri For so many in our fellowship who face problems of health, financial and social hardships. May they look to Jesus for help.

Sat For all who support our church from outside – our Patrons especially CPAS and others. For all the charities we support.

Sun For the church in the Bay, that our outreach may be Christ centred and united. May we see the Kingdom of God growing.

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