

Family of Believers



4 July 2021

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**Welcome** *as we continue our look at 'Galatians'*

## Services online

available on the church YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ>

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



**We welcome Pete, Rachel and Evie Norris as they join the St Matthias family to begin their ministry with us**

Sun 4 July

**9.30am Breakfastzone *with activities for young and old!*  
With real coffee and real doughnuts!!**

*In the church building and live streamed*

<https://youtu.be/imLidu3JeN4>

Activity sheet if you are not joining us is here: <https://tinyurl.com/6be2r6v4>

**10.30am Coffee on zoom**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09>

Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8

**10.55am Singing on the piazza *just before the service***

**11am Holy Communion *in church and livestreamed***

<https://youtu.be/laDpZmrw1B8>

**Readings: Galatians 6: 1-10 & John 13:34-35**

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+6%3A+1-10&version=NIVUK>

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+13%3A34-35&version=NIVUK>

**Today is 'Thank You' Sunday**

**Thanks go to:**

**Everyone who encourages us!**



### **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**

Next Week	
Tues 6 July	9.30-11.15 <b>Open House Toddlers</b> <i>on Stoodley Green or in the church if wet – phone 211947</i>
	12-1.30pm <b>Matt's Knits</b> <i>on the piazza</i>
Wed 7 July	9am <b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> <i>in church</i>
	10.30-11.30am <b>Church open for private prayer</b>
Thurs 8 July	10.30-11.30am <b>Church open for private prayer</b>
	7.30-9pm <b>Begin Well course</b> <i>in church</i>
Fri 9 July	10-11.30am <b>Mummy and Me</b> <i>in church</i>
	10.30-11.30am <b>Church open for private prayer</b>
Sun 11 July	8am <b>Holy Communion</b> <i>online</i>
	9.30am <b>Ozone</b> <i>in church and livestreamed</i>
	10.30am <b>Coffee Time</b> <i>on zoom</i> <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09</a> Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8
	10.55am <b>Singing on the piazza</b> <i>just before the service</i>
	11am <b>Morning Worship</b> <i>in church and livestreamed</i>

## Church Family News

**Joyce Walker**, Linda Townsend's mum, sadly passed away last week. The funeral will be at Torquay Crematorium on Thurs 8 July at 11.15am. There are limited numbers so please contact Linda if you would like to attend (07790 640372).

## Ways to serve and wanted

**Stewards for Friday...**would you like to join the team of stewards who are currently keeping the church open for private prayer in the mornings during the week? We are looking for two people to join the 'Friday team'. Please contact Pere to find out more.

**Cleaner needed on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July.** If anyone could help with this please speak to Pere. Thank you.



**Anyone for coffee?** We have really missed being able to share in a hot drink together, either before or after our Sunday (or Wednesday) service.

A very important part of being church is sharing in fellowship – chatting and catching up with one another – and over a cup of coffee (or tea) has for many of us been a part of that. As we begin to come back into the church building and as the Covid regulations alter, the Staff Team are keen to be able to put the kettle on – many of us miss our drink and bacon bap before BreakfastZone or our Coffee at 10.30am. But it needs 'somebody' to buy the milk, to open up the kitchen, to put the water in the kettle, to make the tea and coffee, to serve the drinks and to clear away

after. There is a hard working group of people who are serving the church family in a number of ways to enable us to worship together – and they are not able to stretch any further. If we are to enjoy this fellowship, we need different folk to come forward to serve – and the more who do so the smaller the task for any one person. Please consider if you are able to serve in some way and let us know! (Please ring Pere in the office.)

## Other News & Information

**The next PCC meeting is on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July.** There's an outline agenda at the end of this notice sheet – so please let David Wilkinson know if you wanted to comment on any agenda item. Thank you. [dwilkinson.tq@btinternet.com](mailto:dwilkinson.tq@btinternet.com)

**New 'Through Faith Missions' training day** arranged – 7<sup>th</sup> August – more details to follow.

**New Wine is online this year** from 29 July to 3 August. For more info see <https://www.new-wine.org/events/united-breaks-out/>



**Booking in for Services** To help with Test and Trace, instead of using the phone line to book in, please use the QR code on mobiles on arrival or sign in. Thank you.



**Begin Well** This *free* ante-natal course is running at St Matthias on Thursdays at 7.30-9pm. Contact Lena Fearnley for more info or to book on 01803 295268.

**Mummy and Me** – a new follow on from the Begin Well course for babies 0-12 months has begun and runs every Friday 10-11.30am. Run by Kate Hancox, Daisy Foundation trained. Contact Lena for more info on 01803 295268.



## 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** W E L C O M E to **Pete, Rachel and Evie Norris** as they join the St Matts Church Family. We pray that they will feel really welcome and pray for Pete as he prepares for being licensed as a lay worker until such time as he will be ordained.

**Mon** **Volunteers** are always needed for various tasks both spiritual and physical, so we pray that people will respond, and here are just a few of the requests:

**Cleaners** for a Friday night; **coffee/tea makers** for fellowship times in church life; for **Torbay Street and Prayer Pastors** beginning again very soon, assisting the police, and people who have got themselves into dangerous and compromising positions on our streets, **for church stewards.**

**Tue Her Majesty the Queen and her family** need our prayers so let us thank God for her and pray for the family. We pray too for our **Government and leaders** and for **Kevin Foster our MP.**

**Wed** Our young people are under pressure as to how they conduct themselves and this often leads to mental health problems. Pray for them and all who help them.

**Thurs** Pray for **“Begin Well” & “Mummy and Me”** the antenatal and follow up courses. Pray for the mothers as they have their babies and learn to look after them in their early days.

**Fri Algeria** is nearby, just across the Mediterranean from where many Brits have Summer holidays, in normal times. Yet its government has **closed all Protestant Churches**, with police evictions and padlocked doors. Pray for Christians having to **meet underground, in secret and without buildings.** Praise God for what we have.

**Sat** Pray for all in the church family who are ill, or awaiting procedures. Remember all doctors, nurses and health care and front line medical workers.

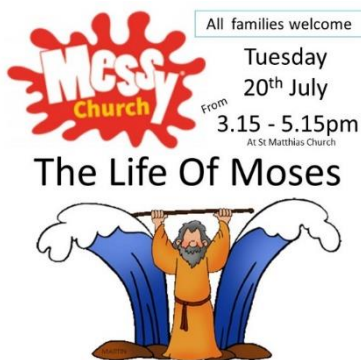
**Sun** Remember all taking part in today’s services.

## **Teaching from Galatians – from 6<sup>th</sup> June**

### **Life after Pentecost: ‘A new family’**

- June 6th Growing the family
- June 13th Keeping the family rules?
- June 20<sup>th</sup> Adopted into the family
- June 27th Developing the family likeness
- July 4th Living together as family**

## **Messy Church 20 July**



Come and take part in our trail around the life of Moses, full of outdoor fun, crafts, worship and much more!  
Supper included!

Pre Booking is essential. This afternoon will go ahead whatever the weather – indoors if wet!  
Please book by calling Lena Fearnley on 295268 or [stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org](mailto:stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org)

**To contact the Church:** Although the building is closed you can still contact the church as follows:

**Office:** 01803 214175 [admin@st-matthias-church.org](mailto:admin@st-matthias-church.org)

**Rector:** John Beckett 01803 293119

**Asst Minister:** Paul Barton 07807 636470

**Curate:** Pete Norris  
[pete@st-matthias-church.org](mailto:pete@st-matthias-church.org)  
07926 833056

## **PCC agenda 12/07/21 7.30 pm by Zoom**

Worshipping God – Making Disciples – Transforming Communities

### **Agenda includes:**

**Updates:** progress on applications for SCYP worker and Wellspring snagging items

Worshipping God/Making disciples

**People:** Welcome to the Norris's; Pete was licensed as 'Lay worker' on 1<sup>st</sup> July

Still needed! – a cleaner for occasional cleaning on a Friday in the Centre

David Wilkinson is now on Diocesan Synod and Giles Fearnley is Deanery Lay chair

**Review of our current pattern of services** – Zone services @ 9.30 and Messy Church working well. Update about singing/ending restrictions if we know any further by 12<sup>th</sup>. Review of online worship.

**Journey towards Recovery – our Pandemic Experience** – feedback from small groups and further reports.

**Pastoral** – conversations about returning to church with those who we've not 'seen' – a questionnaire to get a quantitative idea.

Update on restarting Pastoral Visiting and timescale for going into Care Homes.

**Mission Torbay** – update and how to expand the team; house-to-house visiting

**Report** from Lena Fearnley on three areas: Messy Church, Begin Well and Mummy & Me

**Participation numbers** – what do we report to the diocese as a measure of our 'regular' attendance

Transforming Communities

**Report on Safeguarding** – standard agenda item

**Future agenda items** – ideas are welcomed