



The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

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Sunday 6th September – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

You are welcome to our church services today



10.00am Downe (NB) Holy Communion
Matthew 18:15-20

11.00am Cudham Open-air All-Age Worship
Matthew 18:15-20

John to lead and preach at both services, with
the service at Cudham livestreamed via our

facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/PCDChurches/live/>

Parents – please ensure children are supervised by you at all times.
During services today toilets are available in Cudham Rec and at
the Queens Head Downe (please use the back door.)

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us:

may we rely on you in strength

and rest on you in weakness,

now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

As numbers are limited for services at Cudham and Downe, if you
are planning to come, please email Barbara at admin@pcd.org.uk
or leave a message on the church answerphone on 01959 571515.

More information including order of service details can be found on
our church website - <https://www.pcd.org.uk/services/> webpage.

Sunday School at home resources are also available via -
<https://www.pcd.org.uk/children-and-young-people/> webpage.

Sunday 13th September – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Downe Morning Worship
Matthew 18:21-25

Helen to lead and preach

*Area Dean John will be at All Saints Orpington
for the Induction of Rev George Rogers*

11.00am Cudham *Education Sunday – Dan Finch, Head of School at Cudham will be speaking about his vision for the school as the new term starts*
Holy Communion and Sunday Club
Philippians 1:1-20

(We begin a short sermon series from Philippians)

Matthew 18:21-25 John to lead and preach

If you are planning for your children to come to Sunday Club during the 11am services at Cudham please contact Denise denise.angell@virginmedia.com – Please also let her know if your plans change – numbers will be limited in the Sunday Club room.

Rev Rachel Archer

We are delighted that Rachel Archer will be licensed as Curate to Cudham and Downe this Wednesday afternoon via zoom. Rachel is currently curate at St Mark's Biggin Hill and John will become her training incumbent in order to give her wider experience of ministry within a multi-parish benefice like ours, and also within the Deanery. Please pray for Rachel, Chris, Theo and Noah who will remain living in Biggin Hill. Rachel is currently a deacon, and will be made priest on Saturday 26th. She joins us on Tuesday 15th as we restart the 10am communion service at St Mary's Downe.

Sunday 20th September – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Downe Holy Communion
Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16
John to lead and Rachel to preach

11.00am Cudham Morning Worship and Sunday Club
Philippians 1:21-30
John to lead and Rachel to preach

Meditation Group and Homegroup – Homegroup will be meeting via zoom on Wednesday 9th September at 8.00pm. The next **Meditation** for the group will be on Thursday 17th September in St Mary's at 10am. Details will follow for both and you will find regular updates on the church website webpage <https://www.pcd.org.uk/church-life-and-activities/-meditation-and-homegroups/>

Our weekly reflection this week comes from Bishop James Langstaff "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20) Bishop James looks ahead to this Sunday's Gospel reading and explores the impact and resonance of this phrase in our current climate. The video can be viewed - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dtx-pRu9OV4&feature=youtu.be>

Singers wanted!

Guidelines for worship now permit a small group of singers to 'perform' hymns and other pieces of music. While we could argue that as our congregations are small we could all be counted as 'singers' that's probably not sensible. If anyone would like to become part of a group of max 6 singers for services at Cudham or Downe please let John know. This will also help with seating, as it means the choir stalls could be used too.

St Margaret's Church, Rainham will be hosting a **free online conference entitled What Now?** on Wednesday 16th September from 2pm till 4pm exploring the churches role in tackling racial injustice. The conference will be chaired by Bishop Simon Burton-Jones and speakers include:

- Amelia Gentleman – award winning Guardian journalist and author who broke the Windrush Scandal in the UK.
- Professor Anthony Reddie – author of books including 'Is God Colour Blind?'
- Revd Geoffrey Burn – author of 'Liberating the will of Australia'

Visit <https://en-gb.facebook.com/rainhamchurch/> or www.rainhamchurch.co.uk for details.



Remember we have a **prayer chain** – please contact Pat Morbin if you have any prayer needs or requests and if you would like to be part of the prayer chain. Email office@pcd.org.uk or tel 07504827929 or 01959540012 and these will be passed on to Pat, all in confidence.

Prayer – over recent months we have prayed and are continuing to do so for one another and our families covering everyone in our congregations, as well as praying for our parishioners in both our parishes. This week can we pray for Barbara and Mike Sheret (Cudham) and Kevin Custis (Downe). Please also pray for our residents in the following streets – Standard Road (Downe) and Cudham Lane North (Cudham), all businesses in the parishes, the self-employed, those on furlough and those who have returned to work...

Sue King would appreciate prayers for Donald as she looks after him at home and Chris Isbell would appreciate prayers for John as he continues to recover from surgery.

It's easy to forget at such times that we have a God who is fully in control and perfectly loving, who hears our prayers and responds to them. We should then comfort ourselves with this knowledge and pray that God would keep us safe, that he would help those at the front line of treating the virus, and for it to be gone! If you have any concerns, please speak to John or one of the churchwardens.

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If you have anything you would like included in our weekly notice sheet please email any contributions by Wednesday evening to admin@pcd.org.uk tel 01959 571515.