

News from the Upper Thames Churches



Dear Jane,

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1. Services on Sunday 30 June - Trinity 5

- 10am Worship Together at **All Saints Leigh**
- Readings:
 - [Lamentations 3:23-33](#) or [2 Corinthians 8:7-end](#)
 - [Mark 5:21-end](#)

2. A prayer for Summer time

May long summer days
speak to you of God's enduring light.

May bright summer flowers
speak to you of God's unending beauty.

May fresh summer fruits
speak to you of God's continuing kindness.

May warm summer nights
speak to you of God's enfolding comfort.

May early summer dawns
speak to you of God's renewing hope.

Simon Taylor, from "Summer" (Wild Goose Publications)

3. Upper Thames Matters - Monday 1 July

Praying Together is a vital way to underpin our sharing in God's call to ministry and mission. Please do come and join us in Praying for Upper Thames Matters and for our wider world. **Everyone is welcome Monday 1 July 7.30pm - 8.30pm at The Vicarage (14 Bath Road Cricklade).**

After a thought for the day, we'll chat through some prayer matters, then you're free to pray in the quiet of your heart or out loud, it's entirely your choice. What matters is that we're joining together praying together with God and each other. Do come.

3. Reminders

- **Prayers for those to be ordained in Bristol Cathedral Sunday 30 June**

Please pray for all those who will be ordained deacon or priest in Bristol this Sunday 30 June. Our thoughts and prayers will particularly include Neil Fisher who was on a placement with us recently, and Dawn Beresford & Christian Saguyan, both from our N Wilts Deanery. May they rest in God's call on their lives and His blessings and grace in their new ministry.

- **Praying your Part for the General Election**

The General Election is this coming Thursday 4 July and the Archbishops are encouraging us all to pray, so please do continue to do so. It's not too late to sign up to receive a daily email from the CofE, which includes a Bible reading, reflection and prayer for a different aspect of our common life. <https://www.churchofengland.org/about/topics/pray-your-part-general-election-2024>

- **Quiet Afternoon Holy Cross Church, AK, on Thursday 4 July, 2-4pm.**

Quiet Afternoon Holy Cross church 4 June 2pm - 4pm. A time to do as you wish including doing nothing. There'll be reflective and creative ways to pray or be mindful along with times of words, quiet music, tea and cake. Come for all the time or drop in as you wish. If you'd like a lift, do ask Shirley.

- **Fauré's Requiem Saturday 6 July 4pm at St Sampson's**

There will be a performance of Gabriel Fauré's Requiem in D Minor at 4pm. Entry is free but any donations to the St Sampson's Church Appeal would be very gratefully received. Link to event poster [here](#). Do come along.

- **Kavali Night - St Sampson's fundraiser - 12 August**

Click here for the [Kavali Night poster](#)

- [Foodbank shopping list](#)

5. July Services

- **7 July - Trinity 6**

- St Sampson's:
 - 8am Holy Communion

- 10am Morning Worship *with Music Group. Activities for primary school age children in St Sampson's at 10am, supervised by children's leaders*
 - 6.30pm Evensong
 - Holy Cross:
 - 10am Holy Communion
 - St John the Baptist Latton:
 - 10am Morning Worship
- **14 July - Trinity 7**
 - Worship Together - Joint Upper Thames Holy Communion service at St Sampson's
- **21 July - Trinity 8**
 - St Sampson's:
 - 8am Holy Communion
 - **11.30am** St Sampson's Day Morning Worship service followed by BBQ
 - 6.30pm Evensong
- **28 July - Trinity 9**
 - **At Waterhay:**
 - 10am Holy Communion
 - 6.30pm Evening service