What's On This Week...

Sunday 27th

10.30am **Holy Communion**

Young Followers

Thursday 1st October

Contact the office by 12 noon today to book your seat for Sunday's service

Sunday 4th

10.30am Collation of Rev John Brook

6.00pm Youth Bible Study **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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Face Coverings

Fabric face coverings made by Pat Newman are available from the Church office for a suggested donation of £4 each which will go to Worthing Hospital A&E.



St George's PEWS NEWS



Sunday 27th September 2020 Holy Communion Young Followers

Please take PEWS NEWS home with you and use as a Prayer Reminder and Information Guide throughout this coming week and beyond.

Matthew 5: 1 - 12

- What is the difference between a hero and a Biblical hero?
- How to be a Christian hero the 'Be Attitudes' developing heart habits
- 'What is God's purpose for his people? I want to share with you where my mind has come to rest as I approach the end of my pilgrimage on earth, and it is - God wants his people to become like Christ. Christlikeness is the will of God for the people of God.' John Stott

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members and friends of the fellowship in need of our prayers this week: Ann Arch and Shannon; Jane Cowley; Elizabeth Evans and her family; Arthur & Dot Martin; Graham Rolls; the family & friends of Pam Walmsley

- We were so sorry to hear last week of the death of our dear friend and brother in Christ, **Doug Elphick.** Please pray for **June** and their children Jonathon, Andrew & Alison.
- Please continue to pray for **Rev John Brook** and his family as they move to St George's. John's licensing as vicar of St George's will be next Sunday, 4th October at 10.30am
- Outside hirers are beginning to return to our Church Hall. Please pray for safety and security as things begin to get back to 'normal'.
- **Youth Work** continues to re-start at St George's. Please pray for Kathryn and her team of helpers.

Please note that St George's web site is currently down. This will be rectified as soon as possible.

In the mean time, please refer to our **Facebook** page or A Church Near You https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/5249/

knowing Jesus and making him known

Welcome to St George's - we're so pleased to see you!

We have done as much as we possibly can to make coming to church as safe as possible for everyone so please make sure you follow all the guidance given to you by the Greeters and Wardens.

As numbers are limited by social distancing, in order to attend church you will need to book a seat EVERY WEEK by noon on the Thursday preceding the service.

Please do this by **emailing** the Church Office at

office@stgeorgesworthing.org.uk or call 01903 219672.

You will not get an acknowledgement unless there are no places left when you book.

Next Sunday, 4th October, we are welcoming the friends and family of **Rev John Brooks** to his Collation as Vicar of St George's Church, at 10.30am. This will be a popular service so it's even more important that you book your seat in good time!

Download the NHS COVID-19 app to your Smart phone today.

Use it to scan the QR code displayed at the doors to the church and hall every time you attend. It will alert you if you've been in contact with someone who has reported coronavirus symptoms so that you can take steps to avoid passing the virus on. More details at https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/information/nhs-covid-19-app-explainer

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting would, normally, have taken place in April but due to the exceptional circumstances we are currently living in the Bishop has granted an extension of the time to hold it until the end of October. Now that we are back in Church for regular services the APCM will be held on **Sunday 11**th **October**, immediately following the Morning Service.

As usual we have some positions to vote for – 2 Church Wardens, 4 members to the PCC and 3 members to the Deanery Synod. Ron & Keith are willing to re-stand as Wardens; Robina Edser, Jan Holden & Tracey Geralds are due to step down from the PCC but have confirmed they are willing to continue if re-elected; and John Bridger & Richard Haigh are our current members on the Deanery Synod, both of whom are willing to continue.

With the restrictions currently in place we are unable to issue our usual nomination forms so should anyone wish to nominate a person, or themselves, for any of the above roles (Church Warden/PCC/Deanery Synod) please email the Church office by Thursday 8th October at mid-day.

Please bear in mind that you must be on the Electoral Roll to be considered for the PCC and Deanery Synod, but anyone in the Parish can be a Warden.

Should you wish to know anything more about the roles mentioned above and what is required please contact the Office for more information.

A Message from Rev John Brook

To all at St George's.

It is great to hear that you have been able to begin meeting again in the church building at St George's. It must be a delight as well to see the results of all the reordering work that has been happening over the summer. I have only seen videos and photos so far, but they look stunning.

I wanted to give you an update on our move to Worthing. Things have been happening quickly in recent weeks. We have had our final Sunday at our previous church, and we have been preparing since for the move. We expected to begin the process of moving on Monday 14 September, and we expect that to take a few days, followed by a period of settling in so that we can get our feet under us again before I begin ministry formally.

I am very much looking forward to my first Sunday with you on 4 October, which will also be my licensing service. That service will be conducted by the Archdeacon of Chichester, Luke Irvine-Capel. I know that the ministry team have been working to pull things together for that occasion, for which I am very grateful.

We also wanted to say, as a family, how much we appreciate all the care and love that has been shown through the work that has been going on at the house. The PCC have kindly arranged for painting to be done throughout, and it looks spectacular! We can't wait to move in. And we can't wait to begin meeting you all.

That process will inevitably be a little unusual, and slower given the restrictions in place at this time, however, the Lord has already demonstrated his ability to provide for us all even at this time, and I am sure we can trust him for the next few months also. Let us bear with one another in grace and love as we do that together.

Ephesians 1:3 "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."

John

Youth Work Returning!

Last week saw the very successful re-start of Young Followers and next Sunday (4th October) the **Youth Bible Study Group** will resume at 6.00pm, meeting on the first Sunday of each month.

Youth Club will be starting again from **Sunday 11th October**, meeting on 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4.00pm.

In order to maintain bubbles and social distancing Youth Club will now be split as follows:

2nd Sunday - Junior Youth Club for school years 3 - 6; 4th Sunday - Senior Youth Club for school years 7+.

Please contact Kathryn Hughes-Burton for any more information about the Youth Work at St George's.