PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END SHARING THE POWER OF GOD'S LOVE IN ESHER

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ALL SAINTS DAY

4 NOVEMBER 2018

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time please introduce yourselves to a member of the clergy or one of our churchwardens or sidespeople. This sheet gives some words that will be needed in the services and notices about the life of the church communities. Please do take it home.

TODAY'S SERVICES				
8.00am	Holy Communion at Christ Church			
	led by William Allberry			
9.00am	Sung Communion at St George's			
	led by David and Dave			
Reading	Gerard Harper			
& Prayers				
Chalice				
10.30am	All Age Service at Christ Church led by Rebecca and Dave			
Churchwarden	Sandra Argent			
Sides	Hugh Miller, Wendy Tanqueray			
Reading	Alex Naughton			
Prayers	Rebecca Warner			
3.30pm	All Souls Service at Christ Church			
	led by Helen and David			
Churchwarden	· '			
Sides	Sue Dunne, Will Stevens			
	Wendy Tanqueray			
Reading	Jill Woolgar, Carol Henderson			
MUSIC				
9.00am	Sung Communion			
Hymns	296(v1-3,8), 453(omit v3), 310			
10.30am	All Age Service			
Hymns	I will sing the wondrous story,			
	This earth belongs to God,			
	O when the saints go marching in			
3.30pm	All Souls Service			
Hymns	594, 713, 10			
Organists	Keith Howell-Jones, Nicholas			
	Dibb-Fuller, Stuart Whatton			

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of holiness,

your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

READING Revelation 21.1-6a

Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City. the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life."

PSALM 24

- 1 The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;
- 2 for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.
- 3 Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?
- 4 The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.
- 5 They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God their Savior.
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- 8 Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9 Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- 10 Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty he is the King of glory.

GOSPEL John 11.32-44

When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said. "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. "Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days." Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

PARISH NOTICES

All Souls Service - Our All Souls Service at Christ Church will take place today at 3.30pm.

Remembrance Sunday - This year Remembrance Sunday falls on Armistice Day, Sunday 11 November, and commemorates the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. The service at St George's at 9am will take place as normal but the 8am service at Christ Church will not. The 10.30am service at Christ Church becomes the Remembrance Sunday service and will be led by William Allberry and David Gerrard. It will start with a short act of remembrance and a rededication of the relocated War Memorial on Esher Green at 10.45am, not 10.30am, followed by the main service in Christ Church.

WWI Centenary Commemoration - Music on the Green is pleased to commemorate the 1918 Armistice with the piano, clarinet and poetry of 'Wind & Words' who will transport us back to the early C20th. We hope this will be a fitting tribute on Wednesday 21 November. Free entry and light lunch from 12.30pm. Concert from 1.10pm. Retiring collection.

Prayer for our Churches - The PCC would like to invite you to join us for an hour of prayer for the future of our Parish on Tuesday 6 November, 8pm at St George's, West End. Prayer is the foundation of our lives and in this time of Vacancy it is more important than ever to pray as a church for God's plan for our future. We look forward to seeing you there - let's see if we can pack the church!!

Interregnum - The Parish of Esher is in a temporary period of being without a Rector, known as an Interregnum ('between reigns') or a Vacancy. The legal responsibility for the parish rests with the churchwardens, Sandra Argent and Beverley Eastwood-Taylor, and supported by the PCC. We will follow a process laid down by the Church of England to find and choose a new Rector. We will fully engage the parish, we will keep you informed of progress and will seek your views, feedback and opinions as and when appropriate.

Christ Church Choir - We currently have about 13 adults in the choir, with additional singers joining us for special occasions. Besides leading the music and singing an anthem at the Parish Communion service on Sundays, we prepare for choral evensongs and also sing at occasional weekday services. New members of all ages are very welcome; some ability to read music is helpful but not essential. Weekly practice is on Monday evenings in Christ Church, from 7.15 to 8.45 pm. If interested or for more information please contact the Parish Office or call our Music Director, Stuart Whatton, on 07816 011621.

Parish Christmas Lunch - The Christmas Lunch will take place on Sunday 9 December at 12.30pm at the Bear. Two course menu, filter coffee and gratuity. Price £25 per person. Space is limited to 44 guests. All welcome. If interested please contact the Parish Office.

'Retiring But Not Shy' - Vocations Evening for 40-50+ - Thinking about a career change or planning retirement and feeling called to ministry? Why not attend a session organised by the Diocese of Guildford on Wednesday 7 November, 7.30-9.45pm, at St Paul's Church Dorking, RH4 2HT to hear stories of people called to ministry later in life. Book a place at cofeguildford.org.uk/whats-on/events or email glynis.beazley@cofeguildford.org.uk

Please stay for coffee or tea after the service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Naomi Shaw, Tara Duffy, Jackie Hinton, Shirley Marshall,

Yasmin Ingram, Betty Walker, Margaret Williams,

RIP Anniversaries: Reeve Lynn, June Steeden, Richard Gregory, Brian Lynas,

Raymond Scott, Sheila Eeles, Kenneth Bloore, Jane Marsh

RIP: Jenny Kidd

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Taken from the Church of England Lectionary - readings for Morning Prayer are given below. All are welcome to use Christ Church for daily prayer.

November		Time	Reading
Monday	5		Daniel 1; Ps 2; Revelation 1
Tuesday	6		Daniel 2.1-24; Ps 5; Revelation 2.1-11
Wednesday	7		Daniel 2.25-end; Ps 9; Revelation 2.12-end
Thursday	8		Daniel 3.1-18; Ps 15; Revelation 3.1-13
Friday	9		Daniel 3.19-end; Ps 16; Revelation 3.14-end

LOOKING AHEAD

November		Time	Event
Sunday	4	3.30pm	All Souls Service
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
Tuesday	6	All day	Parish Office closed
		8.00pm	Prayer for our Churches, St George's
Thursday	8	10.00am	Fellowship Group
Sunday	11	10.50am	Remembrance Civic Service
			& War Memorial Rededication
		5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
Saturday	17	11.15am	Moore Place Care Home Communion
Wednesday	21	12.30pm	Music on the Green lunchtime concert:
			World War One Centenary Commemoration
		8.00pm	Parochial Church Council (PCC) Meeting
Thursday	22	10.00am	Fellowship Group
Sunday	25	5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School
December		Time	Event
Saturday	1	9.00am	Preparation of Christingle Oranges and
			setting up and decoration of Christmas Tree

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