

PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END

SHARING THE POWER OF GOD'S LOVE IN ESHER

Reconciling - Sustaining - Guiding - Healing

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

12 AUGUST 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.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your
kingdom, and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

TODAY'S SERVICES

9.00am	Sung Communion at St George's led by David
Reading & Prayers	Stephen Lee
Chalice	Clare Craigmile
10.30am	Parish Communion at Christ Church led by David
Churchwarden	Beverley Eastwood-Taylor or Will Stevens
Sides	Sandra Argent, Sue Dunne, Will Stevens
Reading	Gill Barnett
Prayers	Colin Martin
Chalice	Margaret Dane, Sue Dunne
12.30pm	Baptism of Philippa Margaret Jakeman and Huxley Howie at St George's led by David

MUSIC

9.00am	Sung Communion
Hymns	637, 784, 818
10.30am	Parish Communion
Hymns	637, 236, 784, 818
Organists	Keith Howell-Jones, Stuart Whatton

READING Ephesians 4.25-5.2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

PSALM 34.1-8

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; his
praise shall continually be in my mouth.
2 My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
3 O magnify the Lord with me, and let
us exalt his name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he answered
me, and delivered me from all my fears.
5 Look to him, and be radiant; so
your faces shall never be ashamed.
6 This poor soul cried, and was heard
by the Lord, and was saved from every
trouble.
7 The angel of the Lord encamps around
those who fear him, and delivers them.
8 O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.

GOSPEL John 6.35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me will never be
hungry, and whoever believes in me will
never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about
him because he said, 'I am the bread that
came down from heaven.' They were
saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph,
whose father and mother we know? How
can he now say, "I have come down from
heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not
complain among yourselves. No one can
come to me unless drawn by the Father
who sent me; and I will raise that person
up on the last day. It is written in the
prophets, "And they shall all be taught
by God." Everyone who has heard and
learned from the Father comes to me.
Not that anyone has seen the Father
except the one who is from God; he has
seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you,
whoever believes has eternal life. I am
the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the
manna in the wilderness, and they died.
This is the bread that comes down from
heaven, so that one may eat of it and not
die. I am the living bread that came down
from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread
will live for ever; and the bread that I will
give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

PARISH NOTICES

Interregnum - Once Stefan is installed in Christleton on Saturday 13 September, we, the Parish of Esher, will officially go into a temporary period of being without a Rector, known as an Interregnum ('between reigns') or a Vacancy. The legal responsibility for the parish will rest with the churchwardens, Sandra Argent and Beverley Eastwood-Taylor, in conjunction with the remaining ministers 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 in this process, will keep you informed of progress and will seek your views, feedback and opinions as and when appropriate.

Morning Prayer - We are pleased to say that Fiona Owen has kindly agreed to lead midweek morning prayer on a part time basis. Check pewsheets and website for exact days.

8am Services at Christ Church - During August the 8am services will be taking a break. The next 8am service will take place on Sunday 2 September. During the Interregnum we are currently planning to run an 8am service on the first Sunday of every month only.

West End Village Show - Please save the day, Saturday 25 August. Last year St. George's, West End and Christ Church together raised just over £2,200 with their legendary cake stalls and afternoon cream teas. We would love to exceed that figure but we need your help. It's all hands to the pump! We are pleased to say that David Gerrard will be running the usual bread stall selling scrummy cranberry and cashew loaves. We are also pleased to say Stuart is hoping to provide entertainment in St George's and in the Village Hall. So please can you spare 1, 2, 3 hours on the Friday or Saturday or, alternatively, you can help by baking cakes or scones. Please sign-up at the back of the church. You can also sign-up via the Doodlepoll - <https://doodle.com/poll/cudu7bimundy4ybq> - please include a comment if you can bring cakes and scones. Thank you!

Noah's Ark - Now that the state schools have broken for the summer holidays our Sunday School, Noah's Ark, will take a holiday too and will return in September.

Choir - Christ Church choir will take a breather until 9 September to rest their vocal chords!

Gardeners under Glass - On Tuesday 4 September, 11am-1pm, Community Support Services at Elmbridge Borough Council are launching a new 'Gardeners under Glass' project at Molesey Community Centre, Bishop Fox Way, West Molesey, KT8 2AS. 'Gardeners under Glass' is open to everyone, providing the perfect opportunity to volunteer outdoors, grow local produce, develop gardening skills and meet new people.

Buttons & Bows Charity Coffee Morning - A coffee morning is being held on Saturday 15 September, 10am-1pm, in the West End Village Hall, West End, Esher. The charity coffee morning is raising funds for Canine Partners, a charity that provides life changing dogs to assist their partners with practical help for everyday tasks. Not only will there be coffee and cake, but also a grand raffle, a home-baked cake stall, 'name the doll', 'guess the weight of the cake' and lots of other stalls selling various wares.

Please stay for coffee or tea after the service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

RIP Anniversaries: Marjorie Barraclough

Baptisms: Philippa Margaret Jakeman, Huxley Howie

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Taken from the Church of England Lectionary - readings for Morning Prayer (MP) are said at the times below. All are welcome to attend daily prayer at Christ Church.

August		Time	Reading
Monday	13	9.00-9.30am	1 Samuel 3.12-end; Ps 80; Acts 6
Tuesday	14		2 Samuel 5.1-12; Ps 89.1-18; Acts 7.1-16
Wednesday	15	9.00-9.30am	Isaiah 7.10-15; Ps 98; Luke 11.27-28
Thursday	16		2 Samuel 7.1-17; Ps 92; Acts 7.44-53
Friday	17		2 Samuel 7.18-end; Ps 88; Acts 7.54-8.3

LOOKING AHEAD

August		Time	Event
Wednesday	22	All day	Parish Office closed (22 Aug - 3 Sept incl.)
Saturday	25	12.30pm	West End Village Show St George's Cake & Bread Sale, St George's Church Christ Church Village Teas, West End Village Hall
		12.30pm	Wedding Blessing: Robert & Kate Brown, Christ Church
Monday	26	All day	Summer Bank Holiday
September		Time	Event
Tuesday	4	9.45am	Esher High School Y7 Welcome Service
Wednesday	5	9.00am	Esher High School Welcome Services
Monday	10	7.15pm	Choir practices resume

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All main events at Christ Church unless stated otherwise