

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

CHRIST THE KING

24 NOVEMBER 2019

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 our church communities. Please do take it home.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH SERVICES

9.00am	Sung Communion led by Revd Sarb Klair
Music & Hymns	769, 227(omit v2), 612
Reading & Prayers	Harriet Brooks
Chalice	Sue Langley
Musician	Keith Howell-Jones

CHRIST CHURCH SERVICES

10.30am	Parish Communion led by Revd Sarb Klair
Anthem	<i>Above all praise</i> (Mendelssohn)
Music & Hymns	769, 362, 227, 612
Setting	Reneau
Churchwarden	Will Stevens
Sides	Susan Rawlins, Wendy Tanqueray
Reading	David Stark
Prayers	Juliet Philip
Chalice	David Stark, Pam Stark
Musician	Stuart Whatton
Refreshments	Vicky Jenkins, Sara Fraser

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the
fruit of good works, may by you be
plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

READING Jeremiah 23.1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are

surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

PSALM 46

1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
3 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*

4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

5 God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

6 The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

7 The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

8 Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

9 He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

10 'Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.'

11 The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

GOSPEL Luke 23.32-43

³²Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!'

⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?

⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴²Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'

⁴³He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

PARISH NOTICES

Thank you - To Revd Sarb Klair for visiting us today and leading our services. It is always a joy to worship with you.

Interregnum Update - The four candidates visited the parish on Tuesday 19 November and met the PCC during evening supper. During Wednesday 20 November each candidate was interviewed by Paul Davies, Archdeacon of Surrey, the Bishop of Dorking, Jo Bailey-Wells and Revd Andrew Cowie Sandra Argent and Helen Coulson. Please do continue to pray for all involved in the process of selecting our new Rector. In the interim the Ven David Gerrard and also Revd Sarb Klair, the curate at St Nicholas', Thames Ditton, will continue to take a number of our services and we thank them for their continued ministry.

Election of a Churchwarden - On Sunday 12 January 2020 after the 10.30am service we plan to hold an Extraordinary Parochial Church Meeting to elect a Churchwarden, following the sad loss earlier this year of Beverley Eastwood-Taylor, to serve with Sandra Argent. Further details to follow.

Christ Church Bellringers - Ever wondered about having a go at bellringing? Our team will always welcome beginners. You don't need to be particularly musical - you just need to be able to count! It is even classified as a skill for the Duke of Edinburgh awards. If curious please contact the Parish Office.

Esher Tiffin Club - This month's lunch will be happening today at 12.30pm. All are very welcome. If interested do contact Will Stevens at wjtstevens@gmail.com.

Buttons & Bows Carol Service - This will take place at St George's on Monday 2 December at 2pm. David Gerrard will be leading the service and Keith Howell-Jones will be playing.

Parish Funding & Stewardship Campaign - A very big thank you to everyone who has responded. We now have a 22% response rate and we have ten new givers. We have reached a third of our target. If you have not yet had the opportunity to do so please do consider how you can support us and return your form. Your commitment is much appreciated.

Christingle Service - Our Parish Christingle Service in partnership with Esher Church School will take place at Christ Church on Sunday 1 December at 10.30am.

Christmas Tree at Christ Church - We are looking for help with setting up and decorating the Christmas Tree on Saturday 30 November at 10am. Please let the Parish Office know if you can help. Thank you.

Parish Christmas Lunch - The Christmas Lunch will be on Sunday 8 December at 12.30pm at the Bear. Two course menu, coffee and gratuity. £25 per person. Limited to 44 guests. Please confirm attendance to Peggy Howell-Jones by Sunday 24 November.

Music on the Green Come & Sing Carols - Do come to enjoy free festive refreshments with your favourite carols at Christ Church on Wednesday 18 December at 12.30pm.

Mince Pies! - Our Festival of Lessons & Carols is on Sunday 22 December at 6pm - a great occasion to prepare for the good news of Christmas. We shall be serving mince pies and mulled wine. If you can help by bringing some mince pies, please sign up on the sheet. Many thanks.

Posada Dolls - To make room at home for Mary and Joseph for one night during Advent do sign-up in Christ Church.

Please stay for refreshments after the service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Jackie Hinton, Yasmin Ingram, Viola Mason, Stuart Williams, David Parcell, Maureen O'Brien

RIP anniversaries: Arthur Franklyn, Pauline Franklyn, John Simons, Florence Mildred Hooper, Muriel Ross

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	25		Isaiah 14.3-20; Ps 96; Matthew 9.18-34
Tuesday	26		Isaiah 17; Ps 97; Matthew 9.35-10.15
Wednesday	27		Isaiah 19; Ps 119.57-80; Matthew 10.16-33
Thursday	28		Isaiah 21.1-12; Ps 125; Matthew 10.34-11.1
Friday	29		Isaiah 22.1-14; Ps 139; Matthew 11.2-19

PARISH CALENDAR

November		Time	Event
Sunday	24	12.30pm	Esher Tiffin Club
Monday	25	7.15pm	Choir practice
Wednesday	27	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Thursday	28	10.00am	Fellowship Group
December		Time	Event
Sunday	1	10.30am	Christingle Service, Christ Church
		5.30pm	Voyagers, Esher Church School
Monday	2	2.00pm	Buttons & Bows Carol Service, St George's
		7.15pm	Choir practice
Wednesday	4	All day	Claremont Fan Court School Christmas rehearsals
		7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Thursday	5	All day	Claremont Fan Court School Christmas concerts
		10.00am	Fellowship Group
Sunday	8	12.30pm	Parish Christmas Lunch, The Bear, Esher
		5.30pm	Pioneers, Esher Church School

CONTACTS

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All main events at Christ Church unless stated otherwise