



8am Said Holy Communion, Service in Church

10am Service of the Word, Service in Church & broadcast by [Zoom](#)

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

1. **Come to Church** All are welcome! Remember to bring your order of service.
2. **Join with Zoom on your computer**
When you are signed in you can 'Join a Meeting'.
Meeting ID **846 662 9590**, (Password **834900**).
3. **Join with Audio Zoom via phone**
 - a) Call **0131 460 1196**
 - b) Enter Meeting ID: **846 662 9590** followed by #
 - c) You may be asked to enter Participant ID: press #
 - d) Enter Meeting Password: **834900** followed by #

You will be muted automatically when you join the 'meeting' (service).

Whether or not you might like to do this, let's be aware of the prayerful communion in God's Spirit that we all share, wherever we are, whether or not we are able to talk, video-conference or communicate with one another.

Collect for Bible Sunday

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

It's been great to see families returning to our services, and in these times when it's not feasible for the Junior Church to meet we've created a few children's resources for families to share together –

- There's a [printable sheet on our website](#) which offers a prayer and activities that will help young people get to know the person of Jesus. This week's is based on the Gospel reading from Matthew 22. 34-40. You might like to print the sheet and bring it to the service with some colouring pencils/crayons.
- You might also like to share in this week's Godly Story, 'The greatest commandment', also from Matthew 22. 34-40. It's a fantastic visual version of the scriptures in age appropriate language, with wondering questions for families to talk about together. Find the video on YouTube [here](#).
- Finally, we have a few wipe-clean books in the children's seating on the green carpet in church if you'd like to use them.

Psalm for Bible Sunday, Psalm 119. 1-16

Refrain: Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

Blessed are those whose way is pure, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies and seek him with their whole heart,

Those who do no wickedness, but walk in his ways.

You, O Lord, have charged that we should diligently keep your commandments. **[R]**

O that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes.

Then should I not be put to shame, because I have regard for all your commandments.

I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, when I have learned your righteous judgements.

I will keep your statutes; O forsake me not utterly. **[R]**

How shall young people cleanse their way to keep themselves according to your word?

With my whole heart have I sought you; O let me not go astray from your commandments.

Your words have I hidden within my heart, that I should not sin against you.

Blessed are you, O Lord; O teach me your statutes. **[R]**

With my lips have I been telling of all the judgements of your mouth.

I have taken greater delight in the way of your testimonies than in all manner of riches.

I will meditate on your commandments and contemplate your ways.

My delight shall be in your statutes and I will not forget your word. **[R]**

Gospel for Bible Sunday: Matthew 24. 30-35

'Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

An anthem for today

You might like to listen to William Byrd's version of the verses from Psalm 119 '[Teach me O Lord](#)' sung by Clare College Chapel Choir, Cambridge:

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes: and I shall keep it unto the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my desire.

Incline my heart unto thy testimonies: and not to covetousness.

O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken me in thy ways.

O stablish thy word in thy servant: that I may fear thee.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



Newsletter and Notices

Sunday 25th October 2020 Bible Sunday



The church is open for Personal Prayer

11am-1pm Monday to Friday, 10-11am Saturday, 10:45-11:30am Sunday

NHS Test and Trace App – Anyone who downloads the new NHS Covid-19 app onto their phone can scan the code when they arrive at Church, and the app on their phone then remembers that they have visited the Church (data deleted after 21 days). You might prefer this option, or to complete the paper form (or do neither).

Participation at services in church and via Zoom – It is good to be employing a kind of 'hybrid' church in this period while many of us are gathering in the building and others are worshipping at home. It's good too to share the leading of our services between a range of voices. If anyone else would like to volunteer to participate in services – reading, praying, etc., do please let us know. This can be in person in church, or, for 10am services, via Zoom, if you cannot yet be with us in the building. **We would also value more stewards: for the Personal Prayer sessions, for 10am on Wednesdays and for 10am on Sundays.** Thank you for considering. Derwyn.

Activities in Church. If you need to carry out any activities in Church, please co-ordinate this with the Parish Office and make arrangements with a keyholder (such as a Warden) to access the Church at a suitable time. Please arrange any such activities to take place outside the times when the Church is open for private prayer.

If you'd like the Prayer Chain to pray for some concern which is on your heart, please make your prayer request to the coordinator, Diane Pettitt: diane.pettitt@hotmail.com / 461845. Requests are strictly confidential to the Prayer Chain, who will simply pray as asked and a request won't lead to further contact or action. If a request to the Prayer Chain would help, don't hesitate to make it.



A small selection of the Bible study books we have available to borrow for either Home Group or individual study. Contact the Parish Office if you're interested.

APCM, this Sunday 25th October at 11am in Church – The agenda and further documents are on our website [here](#), please have another look to check you've seen all the papers. Please note we will also broadcast the APCM by Zoom, details are on the agenda.

Holy Communion on Wednesdays – Derek will be presiding at Holy Communion in church on Wednesday 28th October. The service will also be broadcast by Zoom for those unable to attend in person. You can also dial in by phone. **Meeting ID 927 480 8728, Password 889123.**

Prayers for our Community, 9:30am, Saturday 31st October – We meet in Church each Saturday for a half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

Services on Sunday 1st November – At 8am we will have Holy Communion for All Souls. At 10am we will celebrate All Saints' Day with a special Service of the Word, hosted on Derek's Zoom **Meeting ID 927 480 8728, Password 889123.**

Bridge Youth Church meets on Zoom on Sunday 1st November, 5:30-6:30pm – Due to social distancing policies their worship continues to take place on the Zoom app. If you'd like to join in this brilliant youth worship via Zoom, please contact Al Evans at bridgeyouthchurch@gmail.com

Services on Sunday 8th November – At 8am we will celebrate Holy Communion for the Third Sunday before Advent. At **10:15am** we will hold a Service of the Word with commemoration of the departed during the service and remembrance ceremonies in the churchyard at the end of the worship. There won't be a Book of Remembrance this year, only the names of those whose funerals or burials have been within the past year will be read out, but we will hold in our hearts all those whom we love and see no longer.

A very different Company at Christmas 2020 – This year we are unable to host an event but there are ways you can help! Could you be a Christmas Day driver with goody bags / ready meals? Could you be a pre-Christmas shopper? Could you be a goody bag packer? Details are available on our [website](#) and if interested, please email companyatchristmas@gmail.com or contact Jenny Klincke (833523) or Margaret Fox (658638). In addition, Jenny is compiling a small booklet of Christmas poems, readings, meditations and carols. If you have something dear to you that you would like to share with our guests, please send it to her at jennyklincke@gmail.com.

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