# **Newsletter and Notices**

8am Holy Communion, in Church

10am Service of the Word, in Church & via Zoom

We're delighted to offer refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service.

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

Come to Church All are welcome! Remember to bring your order of service.
Join with Zoom on your computer

When you are signed in you can 'Join a Meeting'.

# Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Second Sunday after Trinity



### A hymn for today, 'Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing'

You might like to reflect on the words of the psalm and listen to <u>this version</u> of the hymn written by Robert Robinson (1735-1790), with a modern arrangement by Mack Wilberg (b. 1955). Sung by The Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square.

### Collect for The Second Sunday after Trinity

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Gospel for The Second Sunday after Trinity, Mark 4. 26-34

Jesus also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Our Children & Young People – Whilst it's not practical for our families to meet on Sunday, do explore the links on our <u>Children & Young People</u> page.

• There's a **<u>printable sheet</u>** which offers a prayer/activities that will help young people get to know the person of Jesus. This week's is based on today's Gospel reading.

• You might like to share in this week's **Godly Story**, 'Growing God's Kingdom' It's a fantastic visual version of the scriptures, with wondering questions for families to share together. The video's <u>here.</u>

• Tiny Tots is back, in a new and exciting way and Bridge Youth meets via Zoom for Connect Discussion Group this Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 7:30-9pm. Meeting ID: 869 9900 8274. For meeting password, email: bridgeyouthchurch@gmail.com

Meeting ID 846 662 9590, Passcode 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 Passcode: 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-call or communicate with one another.

### A Psalm for today, Psalm 92

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#### Refrain: You, O Lord, shall be exalted for evermore.

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord

and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

To tell of your love early in the morning and of your faithfulness in the night-time, Upon the ten-stringed instrument, upon the harp, and to the melody of the lyre. **[R]** 

For you, Lord, have made me glad by your acts,

and I sing aloud at the works of your hands.

O Lord, how glorious are your works! Your thoughts are very deep. [R]

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree,

and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

Such as are planted in the house of the Lord

shall flourish in the courts of our God. [R]

They shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be vigorous and in full leaf;

That they may show that the Lord is true;

he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him. [R]

Give us the music of your praise, Lord,

morning, noon and night, that our lives may be fruitful

and our lips confess you as the true and only God. Amen.

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The church is open each day for prayer, from early morning to late afternoon. Appropriate Covid precautions are still in place. An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection. Piano music is played on Fridays from 12-12.30pm.

Prayers for our Community in Church and via Zoom, Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June 9:30am A half hour session of informal prayer (ID 458 034 0358 / Code 435609). All welcome.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June, 10am – On Wednesday we will have a service of Holy Communion, in church and via Zoom. You can also dial in by phone; instructions on previous page. (ID 846 662 9590, Passcode 834900).

**'All new' Tiny Tots, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June, 11 for 11:15am –** Following the success of our recent launch we're delighted to be meeting each week in term time once again - offering a new style of worship for babies/toddlers and their parents / carers. Social distancing measures and Covid precautions will be in place and we are delighted to be able to offer refreshments before and after the service.

**Churchyard singing, 20<sup>th</sup> June –** You might like to note that we will have another time of churchyard singing after our 10am service on Sunday 20th June. We have both singing and/or coffee available as people feel moved!

**National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast 2021, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 7:45-10am –** Due to Covid, we will be gathering together locally at the Charis Centre for the live-streamed event. The main speaker, The Rt Rev'd Professor NT Wright, will address the theme of 'Life Beyond Covid: A Renewed Hope'. In normal times, hundreds of church leaders and their local MPs gather together in Westminster Hall in Parliament for this Prayer Breakfast: a fantastic opportunity to strengthen relationships. Julie Marson MP will be joining us in the Charis Centre, and we hope to spend some time afterwards discussing how we can work together to serve their local communities. To book a place, go to <u>www.ccbs.org.uk/events</u>.

**Holy Communion with Music at 10am –** As part of the gradual re-establishment of Holy Communion as a main service, the next 10am service of Holy Communion will be on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June**. All are warmly invited. Also at that service we are delighted that Rosemary Thomson will be sworn in as Churchwarden for another year.

Holiday Bible Week 2021 'Eyewitness', 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> August – The committee continues to meet online to pray and plan for HBW 2021. Sign up <u>here</u> before Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June for our online virtual HBW with entertaining games, crafts, songs and teaching for children of our town!

More details of all services and events are available on the <u>Calendar</u> page on our website. Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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**St Michael's School is seeking a new governor –** We invite anyone who may be interested in service as a Foundation Governor (representing St Michael's Church) to come forward. No experience necessary and full training/support will be given for this most rewarding role. For more information speak to the Vicar or Katharine Stanley.

**Recruitment of a Families Minister –** The PCC recently agreed to advertise the Families Minister post again this summer and we hope to be interviewing candidates towards the end of September. A key part of the role will be to help us re-establish our activities for children and young people at the church as we 'recover' from COVID, as well as reimagine and deliver our events at St Michael's. This is a very exciting time as we start to rebuild and renew our work with children, young people and their families! We recently sent out an email regarding opportunities to offer financial support for the role; the email is available <u>here</u> if you've not seen it.

**Notes from Open Forum to discuss music and worship –** The notes from the recent forum are available <u>on our website's Music Page</u>. A Working Group from the PCC is meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> June to take our talks further.

**Come join our St. Michaels' School Family –** We currently still have spaces in both Reception and Nursery for the academic year 2021-22. We are now offering all day provision in Nursery. Do look at our <u>school website</u> and follow the link for the virtual tour to find out more about our thriving school and our 'Outstanding' (OFSTED 2019) EYFS.

**Zoom prayer with June on Mondays** – A support chat and prayer room each week. If you're interested in joining, do call her for more details (771756).

**Recycling** – Last year St Michael's School inspired us to collect crisp packets. The school council team collected, sorted and took them (along with other items) to the night shelter collecting point so the shelter benefits from the money and the school benefits by knowing they are doing a tiny bit to keep the planet clean. If you bring your crisp packets (and toothpaste tubes or broken pens) to church, we'll will take them directly to the shelter.

**Message from the Chair of Trustees for The Leprosy Mission –** "We are seeking to appoint three new Trustees to join us, bringing expertise in either Fundraising, Digital Marketing and Innovation, Mental Health, Global Research or Social Entrepreneurship. <u>More details about the positions can be found here</u>."

**Stort Valley Schools Trust** – Click <u>here to visit our media page</u> on our website and play the Spring 2021 video update from SVST.

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