

Sunday 17th September 2023
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Collect for the Week

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false teaching
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar
President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Eucharist (CW)
President and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom
Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Karen Miller

Hymns: Beauty for brokenness (MP 806)
God forgave my sin (MP 181)
Lord of all hopefulness (MP 882)
Trust and obey

Reading: Matthew 18: 21-35 (NIV page 985)

6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)
Minister: Rev Nicholas Burton

Hymn: NEH 351 Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem
Responses: Shephard
Psalm: 89 verses 1-19
1st Reading: Ezekiel 20.1-8, 33-44 Tony Johnson
Magnificat: Stanford in C
2nd Reading: Acts 20.17-end Paul Barter
Nunc dimittis: Stanford in C
Anthem: And I saw a new heaven - Bainton
Hymn: NEH 353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind
Amen: Finzi

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 18th

- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
11.30 am Funeral of Susan Powley's brother, Stephen Thomas, Eltham
Crematorium – The Vicar
8.00 pm PCC meeting in the Lodge

TUESDAY 19th *Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690*
Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 20th *John Coleridge Patteson, First Bishop of Melanesia and his
Companions, Martyrs, 1871*

- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

THURSDAY 21st ***Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist***

- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
10.30 am Flower Team meeting in the Lodge
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre
1.00 pm Funeral of Hannah Lock at the crematorium – The Vicar

FRIDAY 22nd

- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre
6.30 pm Junior Choir practice
7.30 pm Full Choir practice

SATURDAY 23rd

NEXT SUNDAY 24th

The Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
The Vicar

10.00 am Matins (BCP)
Minister & Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

**10.00 am Family Service with Holy Communion at the Church Centre
+ Zoom**
President: The Vicar, Link: Liz Goddard

6.30 pm Eucharist (CW)
President and Preacher: The Vicar

NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Greetings to you all and a warm welcome to our morning services at both churches and to Choral Evensong (without Sermon) at the Parish Church today, the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

I pray that as we worship today and continue our Christian journey together, we will continually experience God's loving presence and appropriately administer God's grace in its various forms.

Ronnie

Message from Susan Powley

I would like to send thanks from Tracey, myself and the family to everyone for their support and messages of condolence following the loss of my brother Stephen. The funeral will be held at Eltham Crematorium on Monday 18th September at 11:30 am and we are blessed to know that our friends at St Paul's are holding us in their prayers.

The Friends of Kent Churches Ride and Stride

On Saturday 9th September in temperatures exceeding 30 degrees, Wendy Anderson and Karen Miller walked 7 miles along the paths of Tunbridge Wells and visited 15 churches. Meanwhile Susan & Kevin Powley and eight of their friends cycled around Romney Marsh, visiting 17 churches, travelling 40 miles and consuming far too much cake!

If you have sponsored Wendy, Karen or Susan, or would like to, please get your money to them as soon as possible, so that it can be sent off. When all the sponsorship has been received we will have raised over £500, half of which will return to St Paul's.

Choral Evensong

Please do come and join us this evening at 6.30 pm for our first Choral Evensong since early July. It is a lovely way to end (or begin!) the week.

	<p>Altar Flowers at the Parish Church</p> <p>The altar flowers are given today By Angela Culley in loving memory of her parents Alex & Sean Harrold, her Godmother Esme Eason and Aunt Ruth Foreman</p>
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Youth Council - Future Meetings

Meetings are held in the Lodge between 6 pm and 7.30 pm.

All years 7 -13 (ages 11 to 18) are very welcome. No doubt there will be many additions to the list below - all led by the Council.

Thursday 5th October - Healthy cooking on a budget!

Thursday 2nd November - Ranger Dan joins us.

Thursday 7th December - Celebrating and working with Mount Ephraim House care home.

Harvest Festival

Our Joint Harvest Festival Service will be on Sunday 1st October. We will be having a Bring and Share Lunch in the Lodge (and outside, weather permitting!) after the service. All very welcome, the more the merrier.

Please see Chris Dobson or one of the Churchwardens for details and to sign up. There is also a sign-up sheet at the Church Centre.

If you or your group would like to decorate a window/s this year, or help with the flowers in general), please speak with Daphne Hodges or Ginette.

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