

# Welcome to Christ Church



**'Christ Church as a Living Well, Christ Church Living Well'**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August**

**All Age Worship**

## Today's Services

**08.30am Holy Communion**

President & Preacher: David Fox-Branch

Ephesians 5: 15-20 (p192) John 6: 51-58 (p95)

**10:00am All Age Worship with Baptism Welcomes and Commissioning of Waterways Chaplains**

Ministers: Rosemary Donovan and Mark Chester

## Collect for the week



Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom: teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Diary for next week

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

9.00am Morning Prayer

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

9.00pm Morning Prayer

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

9.30am Holy Communion with Ministry of Prayer

08.00pm Bell Ringing

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

9.00am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Choir Practice

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

9.00am NO Morning Prayer

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August**

**Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

**Summer Series:**

8.30am Holy Communion

10:00am Summer Communion

*An especially warm welcome to newcomers or visitors. Please do make yourself known to the sides-people and collect a Welcome Pack from the desk at the back.*

*Everything you need for worship will be given to you, including a service booklet, notice sheet and small offertory cards for those who give regularly by standing order. Hymn books and Bibles are in the chair pockets. Large print versions are available on request. The church is also fitted with a hearing loop. If you would prefer a gluten-free wafer at Communion, please let a sides-person know before the service.*

## **From the Vicar**

During the summer we have been focusing on different members of our congregation life and work. Today we learn more about the role of waterways chaplains and commission Elizabeth and Richard Martin in this role. We also continue to draw on the living water as source and inspiration for all our lives #living well.

## **RIP Richard Bridger**

A thanksgiving service will be held to celebrate Richard's life on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm**. The service will be held at **Cheam Baptist Church**. All are welcome to the service and tea after.

## **For intercessions**

- ❖ For Richard and Elizabeth as they serve as Waterways Chaplains.
- ❖ For students receiving exam results and for support and courage in choosing their next stages in life.
- ❖ For the message of Christianity to impact on the lives of all young people.
- ❖ For consolation to all who mourn

## **Prayer Tree**

Please write requests on a butterfly shape and hang on the tree in the Chapel for Peace & Reconciliation. These will be offered during Morning Prayer the following week. Candles can also be lit for loved ones during the Sunday services.

## **Prayer Chain**

This group will pray for any concerns with an assurance of total confidentiality. Phone Jose 721448 or Sue 724080.

## **Morning Prayer 9.00 – 9.30**

This is held in the Peace and Reconciliation Chapel. Please enter through the vestry door which will be open. It is a short service of about 30 minutes and all are welcome.

## **Pastoral Visits**

If you would like to speak to someone in confidence or know of someone in need who would value a visit, please speak to either a member of the Clergy, Sue Matthews, (Pastoral Co-ordinator 724080), or Jo Woolfe, (Pastoral Secretary 726782).

**Mission Focus for August** - This month's mission focus is the Bishop of Guildford's Foundation championed by Alan Frame.

**July/ August CCN & Lectionary** are available at the back of the Church and online.

## **Office Opening Hours during the School Summer Holidays**

This week, Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August only. *Parish Office*

## Christ Church Notices

**Pick & Paste** We need 5 people to help make bag labels for the congregation for the service on Sept 2nd. Please take a pack of 20 labels if you can. Just stick the sparkly word on the label, punching out the extraneous spongy bits. A task for all ages. Please just sign out your pack. Take it out this week and bring back next week. *Thanks lots, Jen and Sue*

### **Ramble from Shere on Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

This year we are revisiting the beautiful village of Shere in the Surrey hills. We will start from the village car park (GU5 9HE), off Upper Street and will picnic in the recreation ground next to it after 12.30pm. Toilets are not far away in Middle Street. There will be two walks, one two and a half miles long and one about 5 miles. Those doing the longer walk will leave the car park promptly at 10am and those doing the easier walk, which has only one short hill near the beginning, at 10.30am. Both have beautiful views. The longer walk goes to the historical Albury Estate Village returning to Shere a different way. Shere has shops, cafes, an interesting church and museum (2-5pm) so plenty to see and do. Dogs on leads are welcome. Do come and bring family and friends. Allow 45 minutes to get to Shere and try and share cars as the car park does get full. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. Any enquiries to Hazel Rose. *Hazel Rose*

### **Situations vacant**

Do you desire to serve God and the church in some small practical way? Please consider becoming a server, talk to Richard or Andy about what is involved. If you have IT skills and could work from home could you support our staff team in the production of PowerPoints for services? Please see Rosemary. Also, we are currently looking to increase our sides person teams. If you think this is a role you would like to try, please contact *Jenny Breese* or the wardens. The role is interesting, training is given, and your commitment is only once a month (with reserves to cover your holidays) It is a great way to meet people in the church.

**Christ Church Men's Breakfast** the next event is on the **15<sup>th</sup> September 2018** at the usual venue, The Haywain, Dorking Road, Epsom at 9.00am. The speaker will be Brigadier Toby Rowland Commander 2<sup>nd</sup> Medical Brigade who will talk to us about his experiences in Afghanistan, Bosnia and Iraq. Tickets available from Alan and David for £10. *Alan Frame*

## Other Notices

### **Epsom Methodist Church - Summer Holiday Club**

**Tuesday 28th – Friday 31st August 2018** - 10.00am – 12.30pm for children, 5yrs – 15yrs. More information and booking form available at – [epsommethodistchurch.org.uk](http://epsommethodistchurch.org.uk)

### **Foodbank**

Thank you to all who faithfully supply goods to *foodbank*. If you can donate, simply leave goods in the crates near the post point. Now the following goods are particularly requested :- *tinned meat, tinned meat pies, long life fruit juice, cooking*

sauce (not pasta sauce) They have more than they need of the following:- baked beans, pulses, soup, cereal and dry pasta so no more for the time being.

**Round the Borough Hike, Saturday 8 September** 20 miles around our beautiful borough! The Hike is taking place on, starting and finishing at Horton Country Park. The event is open to all ages and is FREE to take part.

The walk is marshalled, and maps are available to download online.

For more information please contact the Leisure Developments Team

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**Epsom Common Association Walks** from stew ponds: - **9<sup>th</sup> September** 10.30am. Fungus Foray. **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm** Bat walk. Please book for this family event, contact Martin Gandy [membership@epsomcommon.org.uk](mailto:membership@epsomcommon.org.uk) to book places. £2 donation from non-members.

**The Epsom Methodist Church (EMC)** is advertising for a part-time Children and Family Worker to help expand its ministry to children and families. For further information, please look at "Resources/Situations Vacant" @ [www.epsommethodistchurch.org.uk](http://www.epsommethodistchurch.org.uk) @ *Anne Fraser*

**Good Friday 2019: 19<sup>th</sup> April** A Passion Play has taken place for the last six years on Good Friday. It is an excellent team effort across the Christian Churches in Epsom and a powerful portrayal of the Christian narrative of Good Friday and Easter. If we are to continue to stage this in its current form, we need to find more actors and someone to recruit and organise road stewards. We have a meeting of Churches Together in Epsom in October and will decide on whether this production is viable by the end of September, as currently we do not have enough potential performers to mount a successful performance. If you can volunteer to act, organise road stewards, steward, sing or work as crew, moving staging, please reply to **Sue Curtis by the end of September.** [sacsac@ntlworld.com](mailto:sacsac@ntlworld.com) 01372210492

### Hope in Action

It was good to hear about Hope in Action, from Nigel last week. Just to clarify, the £5000+ he mentioned was an investment opportunity rather than a donation. There are some copies of a handout with further details on the table by the post point.

*Sue Curtis*

**Epsom & Ewell Refugee Network** work to welcome and support Refugees coming through and settling in our area. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact them via their website at [www.epsomrefugeenetwork.org](http://www.epsomrefugeenetwork.org) and find out ways in which you can help. At the moment they are looking in particular for befrienders.

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