

News Sheet – for Sunday 20th August 2023
The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

LINK FOR THE LIVESTREAM SERVICE - <https://cofewrecclesham.org.uk/streamed-services/>

Please click on the link from ten minutes beforehand and there will be the livestream link to take you to the service

Thank you to everyone involved in making this Sunday's worship and happen – and to PUT IN NAME for lovely flowers and to whoever is offering refreshments and hospitality today..

TODAY'S MAIN NOTICES

TEA TENT – 3-5PM TODAY AT GOSTREY MEADOW

Could you kindly put any cake contributions in the kitchen, please?

Thank you to Kathryn, Vanda and June for serving – and to all cake-makers a huge thank you! ☺

Please come along and join us for tea & cake and fun

Thank you to HART MVC for our wonderful SUMMER CONCERT (& raffle prizes ☺)

Thank you to Rob & Sam for leading raffle/hospitality – and to all who came along for a lovely evening and to raise some funds at the same time...

PARISH BBQ! – 1-3PM SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER - £6 EACH - £15 A FAMILY

– **Please sign-up** Or let Jacqueline know (for how many sausages & burgers!) - soft drinks available - **please bring** alcohol drinks if you wish and please bring own plates, cutlery, glasses & CHAIRS (if you can!) Please also - a **Salad contribution** will be much appreciated if you are able.... **Come and enjoy a lovely bit of social time together in the vicarage garden –**

TODAY'S SERVICE:

Sunday 20th August

8am - Holy Communion

10.00am Third Sunday for Eleventh Sunday after Trinity – with refreshments in the church afterwards

Leader: Rev Jacqueline – Music: David – Carol is leading our singing ☺

Readings & Hymns:

Lectionary: Isaiah 56.1,6-8; Ps67; Romans 11.1-2a,29-32; Matt 15(10-20),21-28

Readings for 10am Service: We hear the words of scripture about Community

Hymns: 186 Give thanks with a grateful heart – Heart of the minds that know him (lovely new words - you will know the tune ☺) – 381 Let there be love shared among us – 81 Brother, sister let me serve you – 637 The Lord's my shepherd – 310 – In Christ alone

The Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Triniity

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SERVICES NEXT WEEK – 27th August

8am - Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion – with refreshments in the church afterwards

HEADLINES

SAVE THE DATE! - Saturday 30th September, 6pm – CHICKEN FOOT HARVEST SUPPER – FOR EVERYONE! Chicken Casserole & french bread with ice-cream to follow - £10 a ticket – children £2.50

CHURCH NOTICES

NEW! – AUTUMN AFTERNOON GATHERINGS at the Vicarage

Wednesdays 2-3.30pm - 4/10, 11/10, 18/10, 25/10, 2/11

Hymns We Love - (especially written for us seniors ☺)

Five sessions taking us to the heart of the Christian faith as we explore some of the nation's best-loved hymns. Over a cuppa and cake (of course!) we will watch a DVD that tells the story of the hymn writer, how the hymn came to be, and the Christian message behind it – and then we can have a chat about them and share our thoughts and memories associated with the hymn – and anything on our hearts...

- **DONATIONS WANTED PLEASE!** There will be a **couple of boxes** in the vestry to collect donations for **RAFFLE PRIZES** (any items you might have to contribute) and **CHRISTMAS STUFF** (for a Christmas stall at the Christmas Tree Festival in December)
- **HELP NEEDED, PLEASE!**
 - **Help with the Techy Team rota** - we would like to extend the team - it is not as challenging as it sounds! Please do speak to Rob/Jacqueline or any of our wonderful Techy Team if you would like to know more – you will be on the rota roughly once every 4/5 weeks – and you can work with another person if you like to be in a team!

GENERAL NOTICES

- **Farnham Assist** — Farnham Assist reach out to older people who live alone or who are carers – there are fliers at the back of church. **Please do take one if you or anyone you know might benefit from becoming part of the Farnham Assist community** – monthly Sunday lunches – pie & pint club for gentlemen – knit & natter – Ladies pub lunches – day trips & walks – and transport to help – it's all there...
- **High Utility Bills** – if anyone you know is struggling to pay for the high heating costs or any other household/ financial challenge, please do let me know and I can signpost to the relevant local source of help and funding...

THANK YOU... To all of us for being there for each other and doing what we can for the love of the Lord and our St Peter's Church! ☺

- Thank you to all on the coffee rota who supply us with lovely cakes and refreshments – we are very blessed ☺
- Thank you to Andrew for sweeping around the church grounds and keeping them tidy and inviting...

PRAYERS FOR:

Andrew Steward, Mavis Booker, Zoe Perkins, – for all who are poorly, and give thanks for the healing and ongoing wellbeing of all recovering and on the mend from illness....

We remember: Toni Thorpe, RIP:20.8.22 – we pray for the comfort of Geoff and all of Toni's dear family as they remember.....

RIP: Jill (RIP 18.6.23) and Clive Turner (RIP 14.8.23) – beloved parents of Angela Watkins: we pray for Angela and her family at this sad time, for comfort and strength as they mourn....

RIP: Roger Whittington – Many of you will remember Roger as a faithful member of St Peter's Church and as a loyal member of the Tuesday coffee club. **Roger's Funeral will take place 11am at St Peter's church this Friday 25th August.**

Please also pray for the life and work of our Church, that we might be part of God's loving and transforming grace here in our place, – PLEASE do consider whether you could offer some time to be on this group who oversee the running of St Peter's on behalf of us all....

Please contact Jacqueline on vicar@cofewrecclisham.org.uk or 716431 / 07806 775974 if you have a notice to share – or if you would like to talk about something else – her day off is a Monday....

OLDER NOTICES

LIONS WENCESLAS WINTER FUEL AID - If anyone is struggling with winter fuel bills, please do speak to Jacqueline who can refer to this worthy local fund to help with costs...

WRECCLESHAM OVER 60'S – On 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month @ 1.30pm – a lovely group meet at the Leverton Hall – please pick up a leaflet for information....

Farnham Foodbank

THE BASKET IS NOW LOCATED ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE CHURCH BY THE DOOR

Please only donate long-life goods – fresh and perishable goods cannot be accepted – thank you for all that you contribute

For August: tinned soup – tinned potatoes – UHT fruit juice – squash – children's suntan lotion

- **Please** continue to put donations in the basket and Lizzy Hendry will kindly be taking the food to the Foodbank – thank you everyone...

Contact: mail: info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk or call 07901 58153 visit our website farnham.foodbank.org.uk or follow on Facebook facebook.com/farnhamfoodbank

REMINDER – A short version of **Daily Prayer is available on the Church of England Website and as an App.**
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer> [Download Time To Pray app](#)
[Access the text online](#)

St Peter's WhatsApp Group – a lovely way to share little bits and pieces of our daily lives and thoughts – Please be in touch with Jacqueline 07806 775974 or vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk who can pass your details to David....

Schroder Trust - Funding is available from the Schroder Trust for Wrecclesham residents and organisations who are in need of assistance – please speak to Rob Durrant for further information and Farnham Town Council for the application form - <https://www.farnham.gov.uk/services/grants/the-isabella-schroder-trust>

Bible readings – for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity

First Reading: *Isaiah 56.1,6-8* ¹Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. ⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant – ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. ⁸Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Second Reading: *Romans 11.1-2a,29-32* ¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 15.(10-20)21-28* ¹⁰Then Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: ¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' ¹²Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' ¹³He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' ¹⁵But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' ¹⁶Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? ¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.' ²¹Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²A Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' ²⁴He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' ²⁶He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁷She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

Readings for 10am Third Sunday Service

From the Acts of the Apostles – from chapter 2: ...And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ... (2:42-47)

Paul writes:

To the church family in Corinth:That there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ([1 Corinthians 12:25-27](#))

To the church family in Rome: For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ([Romans 12:4-5](#).) May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ([Romans 15:5](#))

To the church family in Colossia: Bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ([Colossians 3:13](#))

To the church family in Ephesus: With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. ([Ephesians 4:2-6](#))

To the church family in Philippi So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ... [Philippians 2:1-11](#)

And to the church family in Galatia - There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. [Galatians 3:28-29](#)

And from the Gospel of Matthew Jesus said: For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." ([Matthew 18:20](#))