

## News Sheet – Sunday 21st July 2024 – The Eighth 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 Chris for the beautiful flowers this week and to the refreshment host this week for their generous hospitality...

### NOTICES

**FETE FEEDBACK – THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who faithfully gave time and effort – before and during the fete – and all who came and supported the wonderful efforts... St Peter's made lots of friends - and there were others who were pleased to see us yet another year on... A lovely community presence - when we are present in the Community there we carry the light and love in Christ's name - which has a spirit and presence of its own, a blessing indeed...

**Thank you to:**

**Tea Tent** – to Kathryn for the preparation and leadership to coordinate the tea tent - and to Beverley, June, Sue, Rob, Sam, Wendy for their help on the day....

**Bakers** – to Lizzy H, Beverley, Sam, Chris W, Jill, Wendy Wakeford, Sue D, Ros, Lyn, Stephanie, Sally, Kathryn for delicious cakes...

**Grand Raffle** - to Colin for manning the raffle stand, along with Lizzy - a wonderful team effort! (And to Rob for getting the tickets and prizes, and the selling of tickets beforehand - and all who bought them)

**Bottle Tombola** – to Philip and Jill for another incredible Bottle Tombola - fantastic number of prizes and thank you to Helen and Mark, Jessica and Joseph - and Mark's mum for running the stand with only a few cans left at the end!

**Set up** - to Rob - for the gazebos and chairs and generators - and everything else that needed to be done - always faithful... 😊 And to Gerald for the van to sort the tables out - and for all your help

**Everyone else** – to Myung-hye, Fabian and everyone else who helped along the way – much appreciated....

### **FUNDS RAISED:**

Raffle: £341 – (thank you to a generous benefactor who very kindly donated the 1st prize of £200)

Bottle Tombola: £633.65 - Refreshments: £443.35

**Total: £1,418.00 - A HUGE congratulations to all concerned!**

**A note from Rev Jacqueline: Hope for Tomorrow: Try and Trust** – Thank you to everyone for being part of our Try and Trust campaign and if you are still meaning to be in touch with Colin in some way, please do so even though the suggested timeline of 18<sup>th</sup> July has passed.

Whatever and however you have been involved – in monetary or other ways – every act of offering is a blessing to the Lord and to St Peter's - it has been good to know that collectively we have done what we can and that is what we will be celebrating with our **Songs of Praise event on 28<sup>th</sup> July** as we gather to give thanks for our beautiful church and for our church life together and the richness of spiritual and social fellowship that it brings.

**ST PETER'S SONGS OF PRAISE CELEBRATION - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm for singing & socialising!**

**LAST CALL FOR YOUR TOP 3 HYMN CHOICES – please let David know so we can prepare....**

Once again, we will be singing our favourite hymns – with a final countdown during the second half – I wonder if it will be the same as last year? 😊 (see poster on the notice board – voting slips are at the back of church or email David – [brace419@btinternet.com](mailto:brace419@btinternet.com))

### Forthcoming dates

**YOUTH ALPHA** – begins Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July – 6.30-8pm in Leverton Hall/Church – there are posters and invitations if you know anyone who might like to come along – thank you to Emily Kingham who will be leading alongside Carol and Jacqueline – pizza is on the menu! 😊 **Please do pray for this course, that our young people be drawn to come along and explore life's big questions in the light of the Christian Faith...**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August** – St Peter's **Charity Tea Tent** at Music in the Meadow, Gostrey Park

**LAST NIGHT AT THE PROMS – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – Bring your nibbles and tipples and enjoy some local music for the first half – refreshment interval – followed by a livestreaming of the **Last night of the Proms from the Royal Albert Hall** – a wonderful evening of pomp and ceremony!

### **TODAY'S SERVICE – 21<sup>st</sup> July**

**8am** - Holy Communion

**10am** – Third Sunday Service: Safety & Sanctuary

**Readings & Hymns:** There are **Pew Bibles** available to browse/follow the readings at the back of church

*Lectionary* - 2 Samuel 7.1-14a; Ps 89.20-37; Ephesians 2.11-end; Mark 6.30-34,53-end

*Readings for 10am service* – Samuel 7.1-14a; Psalm 71; Matthew 11.27-30

**Hymns:** 300 I heard the voice of Jesus say – 485 O God you search me and you know me – 132 Do not be afraid –  
*On screen:* May this place be one of nurture – 636 The Lord's my shepherd (Crimmond) – 401 Longing for light

The Collect for Trinity 8 – Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

A prayer for Safeguarding and Sanctuary

Gracious God, pour upon all people in this place your life-giving Spirit. Guide us with your peaceable wisdom, that our communities may be places of safety and joy as we delight in your gift of life, and grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

**NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 28<sup>th</sup> July**

**8am** - Holy Communion - **10am** – Parish Communion

**OTHER NOTICES**

**Jigsaws (for 19/20<sup>th</sup> October's jigsaw festival)** – a reminder that we will now be collecting completed jigsaws – please put them in the Vicarage garage or church or let us know if you would like them collected. Puzzles are available in the garage. Please speak to Jacqueline/Rob if you need any help... **Thank you for your support..**

**DATES FOR THE DIARY – LOOKING AHEAD**

- **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August** – St Peter's Tea Tent at Music in the Meadow, Gostrey Park
- **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – Last Night at the Proms is back!
- **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October** – Quiz Night - with harvest supper – details to follow

**Farnham Assist – 2024 Programme now available by the notice boards** – Farnham Assist reach out to older people who live alone or who are carers

**Calling all singers....** Do you like to sing? Come and join our informal choir. No experience needed, you don't need to read music or commit to regular Sundays. We will meet at 9.30 before the service to run through the hymns with David - just turn up. For more information please contact me on 07548830018 or email [carolzeiher@sky.com](mailto:carolzeiher@sky.com).

**THIS WEEK'S THANK YOUs...** Please see above – and 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! ☺

**PRAYERS FOR:**

Irene Fontaine, Andrew Jones, Beryl Tate, Gerald Martin, 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...

**RIP:** Peter Watkins – Peter's funeral will take place 2pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August at St Peter's Church...

We remember all those dear to us whose years' mind falls around this time....: *(please let Jacqueline know if you would like someone remembered by name ...)*

**Please also pray for the life and work of our Church**, that we might be part of God's revival, and loving and transforming grace here in our place...

Please contact Jacqueline on [vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk](mailto:vicar@cofewrecclesham.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....

**GENERAL NOTICES**

**HELP NEEDED, PLEASE – 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 – you can work with another person if you like to be in a team!

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

**Farnham Foodbank BASKET IS 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 JULY:** Tinned carrots and peas – UHT juice and puddings such as Angel Delight and Mousse and jelly – children's suntan lotion - Toothbrushes

- **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](mailto:info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk) or call 07901 58153 visit our website [farnham.foodbank.org.uk](http://farnham.foodbank.org.uk)

**GENERAL NOTICES**

**Diocese News** - If you would like to receive news and information from the Diocese, please sign up to their [weekly parish brief](#).

**Bible Study Day – Learning from Luke – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September, St Andrew's Goldsworth Park**

A study day with Professor Steve Walton, Senior Research Fellow in New Testament at Trinity College Bristol. The day will equip you with knowledge, tools and approaches to help you understand Luke's Gospel more fully

### **Lectionary Readings –21<sup>st</sup> - July – Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7.1-14a - Good News Translation (Pew Bible p.307)

<sup>1</sup> King David was settled in his palace, and the Lord kept him safe from all his enemies. <sup>2</sup> Then the king said to the prophet Nathan, "Here I am living in a house built of cedar, but God's Covenant Box is kept in a tent!"

<sup>3</sup> Nathan answered, "Do whatever you have in mind, because the Lord is with you." <sup>4</sup> But that night the Lord said to Nathan, <sup>5</sup> "Go and tell my servant David that I say to him, 'You are not the one to build a temple for me to live in.' <sup>6</sup> From the time I rescued the people of Israel from Egypt until now, I have never lived in a temple; I have travelled around living in a tent. <sup>7</sup> In all my traveling with the people of Israel I never asked any of the leaders<sup>[a]</sup> that I appointed why they had not built me a temple made of cedar.'

<sup>8</sup> "So tell my servant David that I, the Lord Almighty, say to him, 'I took you from looking after sheep in the fields and made you the ruler of my people Israel. <sup>9</sup> I have been with you wherever you have gone, and I have defeated all your enemies as you advanced. I will make you as famous as the greatest leaders in the world. <sup>10-11</sup> I have chosen a place for my people Israel and have settled them there, where they will live without being oppressed any more. Ever since they entered this land, they have been attacked by violent people, but this will not happen again. I promise to keep you safe from all your enemies and to give you descendants. <sup>12</sup> When you die and are buried with your ancestors, I will make one of your sons king and will keep his kingdom strong. <sup>13</sup> He will be the one to build a temple for me, and I will make sure that his dynasty continues forever. <sup>14</sup> I will be his father, and he will be my son.

Second Reading Ephesians 2.11–22

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Gospel Reading Mark 6.30–34, 53–56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

### **Reading for Third Sunday Service – Safety & Sanctuary**

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7.1-14a Good News Translation (Pew Bible p.307) – please see above

Second Reading: Psalm 71 (Pew Bible p.577) - In you, O Lord, do I seek refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me. Be for me a stronghold to which I may ever resort; send out to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the evildoer and the oppressor. For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence, even from my youth. Upon you have I leaned from my birth, when you drew me from my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of you. O God, you have taught me since I was young, and to this day I tell of your wonderful works. Forsake me not, O God, when I am old and grey-headed, till I make known your deeds to the next generation and your power to all that are to come.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11.27-30 (Pew Bible p.983) - <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup> 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'