

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 Jill and Jessica for the beautiful flowers this week and to the refreshment host this week for their generous hospitality...

Thank you – to **Rev Sandy** for presiding this morning and to **Steven Knowles** who will be preaching for us.

NOTICES

THIS EVENING AT 6PM - ST PETER'S SONGS OF PRAISE CELEBRATION - for singing & socialising! 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? 😊

Forthcoming dates

YOUTH ALPHA – begins Wednesday 31st 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 18th August – St Peter's **Charity Tea Tent** at Music in the Meadow, Gostrey Park

HELP REQUEST: please let Jacqueline know if you can:

If you are able to bake a cake for the tea tent

If you are able to help with the serving – anytime from 3-5pm – and the taking the payments

Thank you so much.... 😊

LAST NIGHT AT THE PROMS – Saturday 14th 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 – 28th July

8am - Holy Communion

10am – Parish Communion

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

Lectionary: 2 Samuel 11.1-15; Ps 14; Ephesians 3.14-end; John 6.1-21

Hymns: 129 Thy hand O God has guided; 196 God forgave our sins; 6 All creatures of our God and King; 80 Cm Broken for you, broken for me; 683 To God be the glory

The Collect for Trinity 9 – Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 4th August

8am - Holy Communion - **10.30am** – First Sunday Service – with refreshments in the church beforehand

OTHER NOTICES

Jigsaws (for 19/20th 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 18th August** – St Peter's Tea Tent at Music in the Meadow, Gostrey Park
- **Saturday 14th September** – Last Night at the Proms is back!
- **Saturday 5th 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.

THIS WEEK'S THANK YOUs... 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:

Pamela Chynoweth (Margaret J's sister); 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 9th August at St Peter's Church...

RIP: Kathy Maclean nee Coxell (Wendy's step-daughter)

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 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 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 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 Mash and jams and peanut butter; puddings such as tinned fruit, Angel Delight and Mousse and jelly – shampoo and conditioner

- **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

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 7th 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 –28th - July – Ninth Sunday after Trinity

First Reading: 2 Samuel 11.1-15 (*Pew Bible p.310*)

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

2 It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. 3 David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' 4 So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. 5 The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.'

6 So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David. 7 When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. 8 Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. 9 But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. 10 When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house', David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' 11 Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' 12 Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, 13 David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

14 In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. 15 In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

Second Reading – Ephesians 3.14-21 – (*Pew Bible p.1177*)

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading: John 6.1-21 (Pew Bible p.1074)

⁶ After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' ¹⁰ Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.