

# The Church in Warden Hill

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to all who attended the TCIWH AGM last week, either in person or on-line. It was a good opportunity to reflect on the past 18 months (the AGM being delayed this year) and look ahead. In the Christmas story, the angel said to the magi: 'Return to your country, but by a different road' (Matt 2.12), and so it will be the same for us on our journey back to whatever a 'new normal' might be, as we also recognise that things have changed, and may not be the same again. The virus has fundamentally changed how we live and how we are as a church, and the future is less certain right now. What we do know is that things will be different, not just for us as individuals and as a nation, but also for us as TCIWH. As we continue our journey into a 'new normal', I ask you to ponder and pray:

- What are the key things that we should be investing our time and energy in?
- What are the things that are bearing fruit?
- How are we using our resources to share the Good News of Jesus Christ?
- What do we need to bring with us out of lockdown?
- What do we need leave to behind?
- What needs to cease to enable something new to grow?

Looking ahead to the remainder of this coming year, and into next, I see my priorities as follows:

1. To continue to grow our engagement with our local schools and look for opportunities to do that during our church calendar.
2. To agree a more sustainable pattern of worship for this church;
3. To review the partnership and look at what a future model might look like;
4. To support and guide Revd Jacqueline in her curacy so that she grows in her learning and ministerial experience;
5. To work with and support the new URC minister when he arrives;
6. To look at how the South Cheltenham Team can work more closely together and share the wider resources we have to our benefit; and
7. To look after myself a bit more!

In all that we do, let us continue to pray for one another, and I pray that God will keep blessing us and getting us through each day as we step out in faith to proclaim the good news in this community. **Revd Gary**

Arrangements for Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child, Baptism, Confirmation, Banns of Marriage, etc., should be made with Revd Gary Grady.

If you are aware of anyone who is ill, in hospital, or in need of a pastoral visit please contact Clergy, Elders or Readers.

Safeguarding Officer: Debbie Cypher

If you have anything for the Grapevine please send it to

Edna Willox ([grapevine@tcivh.org.uk](mailto:grapevine@tcivh.org.uk) Tel 510773) by midday on Wednesday.

Church website: [www.tciwh.org.uk](http://www.tciwh.org.uk)



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(Anglican & URC)

# Welcome



## THE GRAPEVINE 25th OCTOBER 2020 THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

### This Sunday is Bible Sunday

Morning Worship will be held at St. Christopher's at 10.30am, and will be led by Revd. Gary Grady.

*Readings: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 & Matthew 22:34-46*

Hymns: 314 Immortal, invisible

188 Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go

35 A new commandment I give unto you

281 He who would valiant be

### Collect

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### Morning Prayer

*Morning Prayer will continue to be live-streamed at 9am each day during the week. You can attend in person at St. Christopher's on a Tuesday and St. Peter's on a Thursday, or tune in here each day: [www.facebook.com/pipandjims](https://www.facebook.com/pipandjims) or from [www.stptersleck.org](http://www.stptersleck.org) if not on social media.*

### Services for November

1st	10.30am	Morning Worship	Dereck Freeman
8th	10.30am	Remembrance Sunday	Rachel Tarling
	6.00pm	BCP Holy Communion	Revd Gary Grady
15th	10.30am	URC Holy Communion	Revd Steve Faber
22nd	10.30am	C of E Holy Communion	Revd Gary Grady Revd Jacqueline Henson
29th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Anne Webber

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## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING - TODAY

This will be held after morning service at St. C's, at noon. This is for all members of TCiWH and will be live streamed.

## TRACK AND TRACE SLIPS

It is of great help if you bring in slips of paper with your name and phone number on each Sunday and place them in the box provided. There is also a QR code which you can scan, using the mobile phone app, in all of our buildings.

## AUTUMN SERVICES

We will continue to live-stream a Sunday morning service each week from here: [www.facebook.com/pipandjims](http://www.facebook.com/pipandjims) as follows:

1st Sunday - St Peter's 10am

2nd Sunday - St. Philip & St. James (at Emmanuel) 4pm

3rd Sunday - Emmanuel 9.30am

4th Sunday - St. Christopher's 10.30am

5th Sunday - St. Peter's 10am

**APPOINTMENT** The Rev. Ruth Fitter (formerly Curate at St. Peter's) has been appointed Area Dean for Gloucester City.

## LANTERN

The Lantern for November is available today.

## FOODBANK

Contributions are always very welcome for those in need; the collecting box is at the back of the church.

## JOB VACANCIES at PIP & JIM'S

In Spring 2021, Pip and Jim's is reopening as a vibrant new community space & church. We are creating 'a place of hospitality for a people of pilgrimage' and need two creative and resourceful individuals to make that vision a reality.

**Church Administrator:** To provide administrative support to the Team Rector & churchwardens to ensure the smooth running of the church.

**Community Engagement Officer:** To maximise community usage of our reordered spaces in pursuit of our diocesan vision that all may know fullness of life.

For an application pack email: [info@pipandjims.org.uk](mailto:info@pipandjims.org.uk) or speak to Revd Nick Davies.

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR** the areas of the country now under new restrictions; those who have to make difficult decisions regarding restrictions, and those who are affected by these decisions. Pray also for Revd Ken Shill and family and all who are suffering in body, mind or spirit, that they might find peace and healing.

**PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR** our new Church Council and the APCM on 25th. (Today)

## WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

25th	Mimosa Avenue & Salix Court	29th	Stacombe Grove & Azalea Drive
26th	Rothermere & Lilac Closes	30th	Bluebell Grove & Lavender Road
27th	Tamarisk Close & Wisteria Court	31st	Sissinghurst Grove & Ansell Close
28th	Rosehip & Camellia Courts	1st	WHill, Betteridge & Belmont schools

**BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES and CELEBRATIONS** let's celebrate together:

No birthdays that I know of but on 31st Roy and Maureen are celebrating their 56th Wedding Anniversary and anyone else celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week.

Please let me know of any future birthdays that we can celebrate together.

**Brian Miles.**

**THANK YOU** We have received a lovely letter of thanks from Tearfund for our gift of £500 for the Yemen appeal, so urgently needed. They mention a mum, Ania (changed her name for security), who had to flee to save her children's lives when the bombing began. Unable to take anything with them they were directed to a centre where they were given water and help and basic hygiene.

Just a shame that the UK government gives licences to companies in the UK to sell arms to Saudi Arabia and those arms could be used in the Yemen conflict. Please continue to pray for PEACE in Yemen.

## OPEN FOR PRAYER

St. Christopher's is open to visit for prayer on a **Wednesday** from 2-4pm. A max. of 6 persons are allowed in at any one time and there is 2m social distancing. Thank you to all who have stewarded thus far and to all who have visited since reopening.