

The Church in Warden Hill

SUNDAY LIVE STREAMS The South Cheltenham Team will continue to live stream a service each Sunday from one of the churches; this can be accessed via www.stpetersleck.org if not on social media. P&J are not live streaming their 10am services for the rest of August.

WEDNESDAY SOCIAL GROUP 'Welcome Back' is the title of our first meeting when we start back on 8th September. Book the date and come along and renew friendships.

LIFTING RESTRICTIONS St. Christopher's is now open again during the week to visit for prayer. We do ask that those attending still track and trace for a while longer, use the hand gel before entering, consider wearing a face mask during services (especially if singing) and continue to socially distance and respect others' space.

COMMUNITY FILM SHOWS You may remember that before the virus hit us and cancelled everything we used to have a monthly film show on a Saturday afternoon. One or two folk are asking if we are going to start them again. SO is there anyone willing to organise the shows again? We have one person willing to be involved. If you are willing to lend a hand then please see Brian Miles.

HERITAGE OPEN DAY We will **not** be running an Open Day at St Christopher's this year. The windows will be visible online during the HODs weekend. We do hope to be back next year.
St Andrew's will be holding an Open Day on 11th September. The Church will be open to the public from 11.00am – 2.00pm. Tony and Sandra Jeans will then be giving a talk entitled 'The House that moved' from 2.30 till 3.30pm. You do need to book. Tickets from 'The Suffolk Anthology', Suffolk Parade, Collect IN PERSON. P&J are also taking part in the Open Day on 11th.

CHURCHDOWN & DURSLEY MALE VOICE CHOIRS invite you to a wonderful evening of song on Saturday 4th September at 7pm at St. Stephen's Church in aid of church funds. Tickets-£8 - pay at the door or book in advance from Colin Acton on 01452 714360.

Arrangements for Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child, Baptism, Confirmation, Banns of Marriage, etc., should be made with Revd Gary Grady or Revd Iain McLaren
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
Brian Miles (grapevine@tciwh.org.uk Tel 862142) by midday on Wednesday.
Church website: www.tciwh.org.uk



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(Anglican & URC)

Welcome



THE GRAPEVINE 22nd AUGUST 2021 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion will be held at St. Christopher's at 10.30am
and will be led by Revd John Horan

Readings:

Ephesians 6. 10-20
John 6. 56-69

Hymns:

286 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty Omit v. 2
70 Be thou my vision Omit v. 2
606 Soldiers of Christ, arise TUNE 1 Omit vv.3 and 4

The Collect for the 12th Sunday of Trinity

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Morning Prayer

TEAM MORNING PRAYER 9am DAILY

www.facebook.com/pipandjims or www.stpetersleck.org

You can attend in person as follows:

*Mondays at Pip & Jim's, Tuesdays at St. Christopher's Wednesdays at Emmanuel
and Thursdays at St. Peter's.*

Services for August commencing at 10.30am

22nd Holy Communion Revd John Horan
29th Morning Worship Roy McBane

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A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ROBERT

One of the delights of these last few weeks has been to begin, slowly and cautiously to meet again with others in person, sharing worship, discussion, but perhaps most importantly simply building and renewing relationship, having conversations about how it has been, how we are, how those closest to us are. We have comforted one another in loss and encouraged each other as we seek to shape how we will live now. It has been refreshing and renewing and surprisingly beautiful. Perhaps that should not be surprising, after all one of the things we are called to do as Christians is to rejoice in the beauty of the Church, and the Church is the body of Christ, with all of its different members, connected to and serving the communities in which we are placed, witnessing to the love of God in Jesus Christ. The beauty of the Church is seen in the relationships we share with God, in Jesus Christ, with each other and all among who we live, something made visible each time we celebrate the Eucharist together. This is why these weeks have been beautiful. I have met with some of our Bishops Visitors who build up the family of our Church Schools, with Readers connecting church and community, preaching, teaching, caring, with licenced clergy working in parishes and chaplaincies and fresh expressions, with teachers educating our children for life in its fullness, with our retired clergy who give so much, with Pastoral Assistants, Youth Ministers, with lay leaders and all who serve in communities across the diocese, and the list could go on. A glorious diversity of people, lay and ordained, who make up the body of Christ who have caused my heart to sing. But this is not all, I have met with those engaged in a reading project supporting and encouraging children in some of our more deprived communities, and with children delighting in reading, with leaders in our statutory and voluntary sectors, in education, childcare, local government and more and this too has made my heart sing as I have seen the commitment that underlies their work to build up community and I have been deeply encouraged here also. These are challenging times, the pandemic is by no means over, many are tired and there is much to do to shape our future as a Church and as a society, but I have been reminded that we are not alone, it does not depend just on me, or on you, but we build our Church and community together. As we look to what Bishop Rachel and I hope will be for all of us a different and renewing rhythm of life in these coming weeks, I have been reminded to be thankful and to place my trust and confidence in God.

'For thus says the Lord God, in returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and trust shall be your strength.' (Isaiah 30.16)

WELCOME PARTY FOR IAIN Following postponement from August due to covid restrictions we have now RESCHEDULED this event for **Saturday 4th September 3.00-6.00pm at St Andrew's**. Please let Brian know if you want to attend. There are invitations in the entrance hall at St. Christopher's.

PRAYER CORNER—CLIMATE CRISIS The recent IPCC report gave us a drastic warning that we are facing a reality of wildfires, flash floods and droughts. Our recent heat wave might be proof of this. The Prayer Corner is therefore moving from praying for the Global Church to praying for the Climate Crisis, with interactive prayers and suggestions.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR the people of Afghanistan, aid agencies working there, and those helping with the evacuations.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR those suffering in body, mind or spirit; those who have died, and those mourning their loss.

WE ALSO REMEMBER all affected by fires, floods, earthquakes and storms throughout the world, and the emergency and aid agencies working in those areas.

R.I.P. Freda Terry, a member of this congregation since the early '70's, she died on Monday.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

22nd	Gardenia & Tayberry Groves	26th	Rothermere & Lilac Closes
23rd	Amaranth Way & Campion Park	27th	Tamarisk Close & Wisteria Court
24th	Japonica & Hillier Drives	28th	Rosehip & Camellia Courts
25th	Mimosa Avenue & Salix Court	29th	Stancombe Grove & Azalea Drive

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES and CELEBRATIONS let's celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of those who have them this week.

If you know of any future birthdays or celebrations including exam results, please let me know so that we can celebrate together.

Brian Miles

CHELTENHAM FOOD BANK - CAN YOU BUY AN EXTRA ONE? The food bank is currently most in need of the following, all tinned or packaged as ever because our clients can have limited (or no) cooking facilities: tinned cold meat, instant mashed potato, rice pudding, custard, sponge puddings, dog food, toothbrushes, ladies razors, shampoo.

FRIDAY DEADLINE FOR LANTERN Alison says, I look forward to receiving articles, pictures, news, jokes etc for the September magazine. If you are in a group that is starting up again in September please let me know and write a little something to advertise it and let me know days and times.

The deadline has been extended to Friday NEXT 27th August - the magazine will be printed on Tuesday 31st and will be available for collection from Wednesday pm 1st September.