# 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 <a href="www.stpetersleck.org">www.stpetersleck.org</a>.

## **LIFTING RESTRICTIONS**

St. Christopher's is now open again during the week to visit for prayer. We do ask that all visiting use the hand gel before entering and consider wearing a face mask. With cases rising locally, it is recommended that face masks are worn during services (especially if singing), please also continue to socially distance in respect of others' space. If you or a member of your family or household feels unwell, then please do not attend.

#### THIS COMING WEEK - WEDNESDAY SOCIAL GROUP MEETING

Patrick Furley will present the Magic Lantern Show. The meeting starts at 2pm. All are welcome.

#### **COMMUNITY CRAFT GROUP**

Meets on Thursdays 1.30 to 3.00 pm at Sardar's Café. Bring your own project, spread the word. More info from Tamsyn at tvejenkins@blueyonder.co.uk

#### **ALL SOULS**

# Remembrance and Thanksgiving Service

Each year we hold a special All Souls service at St. Christopher's where we will remember and give thanks for the lives of those whom we love but see no longer. This year the service will be on Sunday 7th November at 6pm. The names of those who have died in the past year will be read out – if you wish to add a name to that list, please write it on the All Souls' sheet in the entrance area.

**FOOD BANK UPDATE** The Church in Warden Hill donated 55kg of food at Harvest Festival time. Thank you to everyone. Current needs include: washing powder (capsules are most useful as we can share them out among clients), coffee, milk, fruit juice, vegetarian meals, instant mash, tinned custard, sauces (ketchup, brown sauce and mayonnaise), shampoo and conditioner, shaving gel. They have lots of pasta, rice, soup, baked beans, pulses and cereal .

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



# The Church in Warden Hill (Anglican & URC)





# THE GRAPEVINE 24th OCTOBER 2021 BIBLE SUNDAY

Holy Communion will be held at St. Christopher's at 10.30am and will be led by Revd Gary Grady; with Revd Jacqueline Henson preaching.

#### Readings:

Isaiah 55.1–11 2 Timothy 3.14–4.5 John 5.36b–end

#### Hymns:

45 As the deer pants for the water
231 God's Spirit is in my heart
716 We have a gospel to proclaim OMIT v.2

# The Collect for the Last Sunday after Trinity and Bible Sunday

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**

TEAM MORNING PRAYER 9am DAILY www.facebook.com/pipand jims 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. The Friday service is on-line only.

# Services for October and November - all commencing at 10.30am

October 3	1st	Morning Worship	Anne Webber
November	7th	Morning Worship	Roy McBane
November	14th	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Revd Iain Mclaren
November	21st	Morning Worship	Fr Sebastian Hamilton
November	28th	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Revd Gary Grady

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From Morning Prayer at St. Christopher's this week....

# **REFLECTION: THE GREAT COMMANDMENT**

John 15. 9-17

How do we fulfil this great command to 'love' one another?

Throughout his life, Jesus showed us *how* to love God and how to show that love to others. He showed it through serving others, being hospitable, feeding people, living in peace with those who hated him, showing forgiveness, caring and healing, speaking truth to others (even though they were difficult truths), bearing others' burdens...and by laying down his life.

We know that throughout history, many have made the ultimate sacrifice: fighting for their country or laying down their lives for others. We [also] know that many of our Christian brothers and sisters, around the world, begin each day knowing that they might have to do that very thing. There are many places in the world where it is incredibly dangerous to be a Christian, and we hear with sadness the plight of those are currently living in Syria, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan and other places, who are paying the ultimate price for their faith in Jesus.

There is something transformative about love, isn't there! How do you feel when you feel loved? Does it make you want to share that love so others can be transformed also? So, how will *you* show your love for others this week? Perhaps think of someone who needs that love; give them all the love you can give, and then try to give a little more.

# **Revd Gary Grady**

## **CANCELLED - LIGHT UP THE DARKNESS**

The above event at Pip & Jim's on Sun 31st Oct will not now take place.

# **MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Thank you to those who came along to the Music Festival at St. Peter's last weekend, so far over £1,450 has been raised for Music Space, a local charity which provides music therapy for children with special needs. More info here: <a href="https://www.musicspace.org">www.musicspace.org</a>

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<u>PLEASE PRAY FOR</u> all suffering in body, mind or spirit that they might find comfort; those who have died, and those mourning their loss.

<u>PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR</u> those gathering for COP26; their deliberations and decisions.

<u>A SILENT VIGIL</u> is being held every day from 11 am to 3 pm during the COP26 event from Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Friday 12 November on Cheltenham Promenade, by the War Memorial.

## **WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS**

24th .	Japonica & Hillier Drives	28th	Rosehip & Camellia Courts
25th	Mimosa Avenue & Salix Court	29th	Stancombe Grove & Azalea Drive
26th I	Rothermere & Lilac Closes	30th	Bluebell Grove & Lavender Road
27th <sup>-</sup>	Tamarisk Close & Wisteria Court	31st	Sissinghurst Grove & Ansell Close

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

On 31st October Rachel Tarling has a special birthday and Roy and Maureen McBane celebrate their 57th Wedding Anniversary.

If you know of any future birthdays or celebrations please let me know so that we can celebrate together. **Brian Miles** 

<u>LANTERN FOR NOVEMBER</u> will be available to collect from church on Thursday afternoon 28th October.

<u>WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS FAIR:</u> Saturday 4th December 10am to12 noon at St. Christopher's. This month we would be grateful for donations for the bottle stall. These can be left in a bag in the entrance area or given in person to either Debbie Cypher or Ann Johns. In November we will be requesting donations for the hamper raffle. More details will follow in November. Thank You.

.CLOCKS don't forget they go back at 2am on Sunday 31st - an extra hour in bed.