

Welcome to The Church in Warden Hill
A Local Ecumenical Partnership

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Warden Hill

Cheltenham, GL51 3DD

GRAPEVINE

Please continue to hand sanitise on entry and respect a social distance; face masks are optional.

THIS SUNDAY

Sunday 26th June

2ND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.30am Holy Communion

Minister: Revd Gary Grady

Readings: 2 Kings 5.1-15

Luke 17.11-19

Hymns: 185 – For the fruits of his creation

349 – Jesus Christ is waiting

683 – Thou didst leave thy throne
(OMIT v4)

**Refreshments will be served in the
small hall after the service**

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 3rd July

3RD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.30am Morning Worship

Minister: Tamsyn Jenkins

LIVESTREAM

There will be a service live-streamed each
Sunday at 10am, available from:

www.stpetersleck.org or

www.facebook.com/stpetersleckhampton

MORNING PRAYER

Morning Prayer is live-streamed at 9am each
morning (Mon-Fri) from www.stpetersleck.org
or www.facebook.com/pipandjims

You can attend in person as follows:

Mon – Pip & Jim's Thu – St. Peter's
Tue – St. Christopher's Fri – on-line only
Wed – Emmanuel

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 10th July, 10.30am

URC Communion, Revd Iain McLaren

Sunday 17th July, 10.30am

Morning Worship, Anne Webber

Sunday 24th July, 10.30am

Holy Communion, Revd Jacqueline Henson

Sunday 31st July, 10.30am

Morning Worship, Pam Dainton

REST IN PEACE

Please let the church office know if there is
anyone who has died recently so that prayers
can be offered for them and their family.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you and to your
living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Toilets are located in
the Entrance Room
and in the Halls.



A loop system is installed in the
church; please turn your hearing
aid to the T position.



Large print copies of the
service are available at
the back.



There is a table at the
front with books on
for children.



Please let one of the stewards
know if you do not want to appear
on camera if we're live streaming.



The Church in Warden
Hill is a Fair Trade
church.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

St. Christopher's is open 9am-4pm each day.

Mon	19.30	Recorder Group
Tue	09.00 19.30	Morning Prayer, St Christopher's House Group
Wed	19.00	Bellringing
Fri	18.00	Choir Practice

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5.1-15

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' ⁴ So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵ And the king of Aram said, 'Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel.'

⁶ He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, 'When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy.' ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' ⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away,

saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

¹⁵ Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant.'

SECOND READING

Luke 17.11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?' ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹ Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Please note that the wording of the readings may differ very slightly in the service itself.

PRAYERS

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

26th	<i>Rothermere & Lilac Closes</i>
27th	<i>Tamarisk Close & Wisteria Court</i>
28th	<i>Rosehip & Camellia Courts</i>
29th	<i>Stancombe Grove & Azalea Drive</i>
30th	<i>Bluebell Grove & Lavender Road</i>
31st	<i>Sissinghurst Grove & Ansell Close</i>
1st	<i>Salisbury Avenue & Katharine Court</i>

MYANMAR UPDATE

Across Myanmar there has been widespread opposition to the violent military coup in February of last year, leading to conflict between the military and protestors. The violence has forced more than 1 million people to flee their homes. While some have fled the country, many remain homeless and are living in temporary shelters. Finding a job is difficult, accessing money is hard through banks. Education and healthcare have been severely disrupted. Hunger levels are rising as the violence has forced people to abandon farms. Please pray for provision of safe shelter, clean water and food, and for peace and healing.

PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE

There are a number of ways to support, or engage with, the crisis in Ukraine...

1. **Pray** – Spend some time each day to pray for the people and place of Ukraine.
2. **Donate** – Please use the DEC link below:
www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal
3. **Listen** – To a special sung 'Prayer for Ukraine', which is sung in Ukrainian [here](#).
4. **Psalm 31** – A psalm of faith, hope and courage for the people of Ukraine, click [here](#).

WEEKLY NOTICES

All contributions should be emailed directly to Liz Johnson in the Church Office at: tcihwsec@gmail.com by **9am** each Thursday. Any longer items may be edited if we're tight on space for that week! Please also let the office know if there is a 'significant' birthday or anniversary that needs to be mentioned in the coming week.

JULY LANTERN

The July edition of the Lantern magazine will be in Church to collect from Thursday morning 23rd June.

WEDNESDAY SOCIAL GROUP

The next meeting of the Wednesday Social Group is on 13 July – 'Snips & Threads' a talk by Louise Parker.

CHURCH FIRE DRILL

The fire drill will take place on **Sun 3rd July** immediately after the morning service. At the sound of the alarm, please:

- Leave the building through the nearest door.
- Cross Lincoln Avenue and wait between the shrubbery and the flats car park entrance.

At this point we will check that everyone is present. Arrangements will be announced at the start of that morning's service.

Richard Neale (on 07932 675125) is happy to talk to anyone beforehand if they have any concerns as to what will take place.

FIRST AID TRAINING

We will be arranging a First Aid Training course in the team and are looking for a rep from each church to attend. If you are interested in attending, please let Liz Johnson know via parishofficeleck@btinternet.com. Once we have some idea of numbers, we will look at booking something.

MIDWEEK SERVICES

Midweek services have resumed twice a month. These will run as follows:

1st Wed ~ 12pm at URC Centre

Midweek Prayer with Revd Iain.

3rd Tue ~ 10.30am at St. Christopher's

Holy Communion with Revd Gary or Revd

Jacqueline.

It is hoped each of these will be followed by refreshments, either in-church or at a local café.

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES

Across the South Cheltenham Team

Nick Davies writes:

“Following lockdown and the reduced number of clergy serving across the South Cheltenham team, we are changing the pattern of our midweek Communion services. These changes follow consultation with churchwardens and clergy colleagues across the team.

From July we will be moving to a teamwide pattern of midweek communion services with one service taking place each week, circulating around the churches of the team, advertised in all news sheets and open to everyone. The monthly pattern of services is as follows:

Week 1: Wednesday 12.00 at Pip and Jim's

Week 2: Wednesday 10.30 at St Stephen's

Week 3: Tuesday 10.30 at St. Christopher's

Week 4: Wednesday 10.30 at St Peter's

Week 5: No service

We will begin this new model in July and then we will take a break in August (in acknowledgement of significant clergy annual leave) and then begin in earnest in September. We will keep these arrangements under review and make changes should new colleagues join the team. I realise that this will come as a disappointment to some but hope that it does provide a fair and sustainable pattern of services accessible to people across the whole team area.”

SOUTH CHELTENHAM TEAM

CNC/Emmanuel Update

As many will know, Rev Sarah McDonald Haden has been leading Cheltenham Network Church since 2020 and has played a leading role in their growing partnership with Emmanuel, Naunton Park. The two churches have recently agreed to work together in ministry and mission for at least the next five years. As part of that agreement, Sarah will be licensed as a Team Vicar within the South Cheltenham team alongside her ongoing responsibilities as Leader of CNC. In her role as Team Vicar she will have responsibility for Emmanuel Naunton Park and leading our Youth Programme across the team. Sarah will be formally licensed at Emmanuel on **Sun 17th July** at 3pm and all are welcome to come and be part of the celebration and to stay for tea and cakes afterwards.



COMMUNITY GARDEN WALK

Very many thanks to all who came and generously supported this event on Sunday 19 June. It raised nearly £2,000 for Cheltenham Welcomes Refugees. This charity is actively involved in supporting those coming from Ukraine and those who are hosting them in their own homes, amongst other projects.

QUIET DAYS & EVENINGS



‘Learning to Listen’

The South Cheltenham Team have resumed the above series of events.

The next 2 sessions are as follows:

- **Tue 19th July** from 7–9pm
- **Thu 15th Sep** from 10-3pm

These sessions are open to all and will take place in the Church Cottages. To book, email parishofficeleck@gmail.com or call 01242 513647 and leave a message if the office is unattended.