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Welcome!

*We are delighted to see you, especially if this is your first visit.
Please do join us for refreshments at 10.30am in the Pine Room.*

Today		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Pine Room
9.30am	Prayzone	Hall
10.30am	Coffee	Pine Room
11am	Morning Worship	Hall
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting	Lounge
During the Week		
Tues	9am Morning Prayer	
	9-11.30am Open House Parents and Toddlers	<i>Lounge</i>
	12.30pm Matts Knits	<i>Lounge</i>
Wed	9.00am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>	<i>Lounge</i>
	10am-12pm Open Church Coffee Morning – all welcome	<i>Lounge</i>
	7.30pm Matt's Cats	<i>Pine Room</i>
Thurs	7.30pm Ellacombe Prayer Walk	
Fri	6.30pm TGIF	
Sunday 30 June		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Pine Room
10.30am	Coffee	Pine Room
11am	Family Holy Communion with prayers for healing	Hall

Collect

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. **Amen**

Thanks go to... Audio Visual
Team 😊

Readings

Exodus 3: 11-15

¹¹ Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?'

¹² And God said, 'I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.'

¹³ Moses said to God, 'Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is his name?" Then what shall I tell them?'

¹⁴ God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: "I AM has sent me to you."'

¹⁵ God also said to Moses, 'Say to the Israelites, "The LORD, the God of your fathers – the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob – has sent me to you." 'This is my name for ever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation.

John 8: 48-58

⁴⁸ The Jews answered Jesus, 'Aren't we right in saying that you are a Samaritan and demon-possessed?'

⁴⁹ 'I am not possessed by a demon,' said Jesus, 'but I honour my Father and you dishonour me. ⁵⁰ I am not seeking glory for myself; but there is one who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹ Very truly I tell you, whoever obeys my word will never see death.'

⁵² At this they exclaimed, 'Now we know that you are demon-possessed! Abraham died and so did the prophets, yet you say that whoever obeys your word will never taste death. ⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham? He died, and so did the prophets. Who do you think you are?'

⁵⁴ Jesus replied, 'If I glorify myself, my glory means nothing. My Father, whom you claim as your God, is the one who glorifies me. ⁵⁵ Though you do not know him, I know him. If I said I did not, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and obey his word. ⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day; he saw it and was glad.'

⁵⁷ 'You are not yet fifty years old,' they said to him, 'and you have seen Abraham!'

⁵⁸ 'Very truly I tell you,' Jesus answered, 'before Abraham was born, I am!' ⁵⁹ At this, they picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus hid himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.

For our prayers and praise this week

Sun	Those who lead our children and youth groups on a Sunday morning for wisdom as they teach the Gospel.
Mon	For students coming towards the end of their exams that they will finish well.
Tues	For our brothers and sisters in the persecuted church that they would have courage in their difficulties.
Wed	Our Open Church coffee morning that people would continue to find a welcome here.
Thurs	Politicians especially those in the running to be Prime Minister.
Fri	Our youth as they meet this evening.
Sat	Our emergency services that they may be kept safe as they go about their work.
Sun	Our diocesan leaders especially Bishops Robert, Nick and Jackie.

What's on and News

Brian and Norma wish to thank you all for the many cards, flowers and gifts of food which have arrived daily. Your prayers and love are continuing to help and sustain us. God bless you all.

Stephen and Captain Ade are leading a **Prayer Walk** through Ellacombe on 27 June at 7.30pm. If you'd like to come along please see Stephen.

Email scam – a number of people have received emails claiming to be from other members of the church asking for cash/vouchers etc. Please ensure you ignore any such emails and delete them.

Car parking Please remember that the main car park is for disabled use only on a Sunday. There will be a team of welcomers to help you to get into the building if required. (Limited space available during the week.) Please can we ask folk *not* to park in the minibus space (hashed yellow lines). Thank you.

Spring Harvest bookings for next year open next week on 26 June. So see Victoria or Stephen today for more information if you are wanting to go or book.

girls allowed 17th July at Cockington Court for a murder mystery evening! Further information to follow...

Men's Breakfast Saturday 13 July at English Riviera Centre with speaker Jez Brown. Speak to Charlie to book on 07917 005406 or email c.allansen@btinternet.com

Thank you to all our Open Church teams who have faithfully been serving in this ministry week by week welcoming visitors into the church. During the re-ordering there will be an 'open church' coffee morning each Wednesday in the Lounge from 10am-12pm. Everybody welcome.

Cleaner required Can anyone spare a few hours each week to help to clean the Pine Room and the kitchen? Please see Pere in the office if you need more information. Thank you.

Wellspring Update

Thank you to all those who generously contributed to our Gift Day – the total raised was £16, 707.

Fundraising continues as we endeavour to reach our target. If you still wish to donate, please speak to Alan Poole or any of the ministry team.

Giving to support the church: We encourage people to give via the 'Parish Giving Scheme' (PGS) from their bank accounts. That's why the collection plate often goes around empty! So, if you are new to St Matthias, please do not feel you need to put any cash into the collection plate but do ask one of the Welcomers or the Treasurer for more information about the PGS. Thank you.

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