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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		
Mon	Centre Closed	
Tues	12.30pm Matts Knits	Lounge
Wed	9.00am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>	Lounge
	10am-12pm Open Church Coffee Morning – all welcome	Lounge
Thurs	7.30pm 'Reachout' meeting with Captain Ade to discuss the possibility of a Mission to Torbay in 2021 – everyone welcome	Hall
Sunday 1 September including Wellspring Q & A at 12.15pm		
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Pine Room
9.30am	Breakfastzone	Hall
10.30am	Coffee	Pine Room
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Hall

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be
persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to
lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers
before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

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Readings

Jeremiah 1: 4-10

⁴The word of the LORD came to me, saying,

⁵'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
before you were born I set you apart;
I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.'

⁶'Alas, Sovereign LORD,' I said, 'I do not know how to speak; I am too young.'

⁷But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, "I am too young." You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,' declares the LORD.

⁹Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, 'I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.'

Luke 13: 10-17

¹⁰On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, 'Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.' ¹³Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

¹⁴Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, 'There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.'

¹⁵The Lord answered him, 'You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?'

¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

For our prayers and praise this week

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Sun	Remember those who lead our services, that they may be aware of God guiding them.
Mon	Pray for the Reordering work in our Church. Thank God for our Architect and contractors. Pray that they will be kept safe and are aware of the meaning of the church buildings.
Tues	Pray for the Prayer Ministry Team, that people may realise the power of Christ through prayer. May more of us become better "pray-ers".
Wed	Pray that we may become more aware of the world's ecology and be responsible for caring for our world and recycling.

Thurs	Pray for all young people who have been receiving results of A levels and GCSEs. Pray they will all be guided as to what they do next, especially the older ones.
Fri	Pray for our Queen, the Royal Family, her Government and all who have an influence on our country. Pray especially that Brexit will be sorted out soon.
Sat	Remember before God all in our Church family who are ill, housebound, separated from loved ones or facing tensions. May they all know God's presence.
Sun	Pray for John our Rector and all the Staff Team as they seek to lead us along God's way. May we be ready to hear and to follow.

What's on and News



Performers! Date for your diary...**Open Mic Evening 5 October.** *Interested?*



Coffee Morning... During the re-ordering there will be an 'open church' coffee morning each Wednesday in the Lounge from 10-12. All welcome.



The Pre-School garden area is having a make over. If you have any spare plants that would go in one of the wooden containers, they would be gratefully received. Thank you.

- **Remember** to look at the church family notice board in the Hall – details of events, sponsorship requests etc 😊
- **Revised diary date:** The Blackberry and Apple Fayre has been cancelled for 21 September and replaced with a Christmas Fayre on 7 December (Friends of St Matthias)
- **Philip Yancey** (*Christian author of books including 'What's so Amazing about Grace'*) will be on tour and visiting Upton Vale on Saturday 28 September at 7pm – tickets £7 from www.eventbrite.co.uk
- **Torquay Community Larder** ... we are still collecting donations of food for the Larder – there is a basket in the linkway under the table. Thank you.
- **Nicci Maxwell** – her latest news sheet is available on the table in the linkway.
- **Coffee on a Sunday** – can anyone help us to serve coffee at 10.30am in the Pine Room? You would need to be available from 9.50am to set up and then clear away at the end – there's very little washing up as we're using paper cups 😊 If anyone is available this will be a great help especially during the summer months. Please speak to Sheila Hart or the office. Thank you.

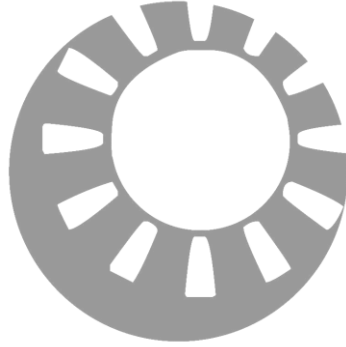




Next week we begin a new teaching series on Sundays to explore our core value of **Growing on the Journey:**

"Lessons from Jesus in John's gospel"

(Leaflet available today with more details.)



Together at St. Matthias we're

Going Jesus' Way

Knowing God's joy

Generous like Jesus

Growing on the Journey

Thanks go to... prayer ministry team 😊

Q & A Wellspring

An opportunity to find out the latest news on any details of the re-ordering that you would like to know about – or suggestions you might have. The sessions will run more smoothly if you could let us know your questions/suggestions in advance ideally by email please to: admin@st-matthias-church.org.

We are running 2 sessions:

Sun 1 Sept @ 12.15-12.45 in the Hall

Sun 8 Sept @ 10-10.30 in the Pine Room.

Fundraising continues as we endeavour to reach our target. If you wish to donate, please speak to Alan Poole or any of the ministry team. Please pray that our remaining grant applications will be successful too.

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.