



## 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 we welcome Revd Charles Burgess from CPAS  
 (Church Pastoral Aid Society) at our 9.30am and 11am services.  
 CPAS is one of the main mission agencies which we support as a church.*



### Sunday 22 September "A new humility – lessons from John's Gospel"

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>Pine Room</b>
9.30am	Prayzone with Revd Charles Burgess from CPAS	<b>Hall</b>
10.30am	Coffee	<b>Pine Room</b>
11am	Morning Worship with Revd Charles Burgess from CPAS	<b>Hall</b>
5.30pm	Prayer Meeting which includes a time to pray for the Deanery	<b>Hall</b>

### During the Week

Tues	9am Morning Prayer	
	9-11.30am Open House Toddlers	<b>Lounge</b>
	12.30pm Matts Knits	<b>Lounge</b>
Wed	9.00am Holy Communion followed by coffee	<b>Lounge</b>
	10am-12pm Open Church Coffee Morning – all welcome	<b>Lounge</b>
	7.30pm St Matt's Cats	<b>Pine Room</b>
Fri	6.30pm Youth Club	<b>Hall</b>

### Sunday 29 September

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>Pine Room</b>
10.30am	Coffee	<b>Pine Room</b>
11am	Family Communion with prayers for healing	<b>Hall</b>

**Thanks go to...** those who minister to their neighbours 😊

#### Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Readings

### Philippians 2: 1-11

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

<sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

<sup>6</sup> who, being in very nature God,

did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

<sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing

by taking the very nature of a servant,

being made in human likeness.

<sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man,

he humbled himself

by becoming obedient to death –

even death on a cross!

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place

and gave him the name that is above every name,

<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

### John 13: 1-17

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

<sup>2</sup> The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. <sup>3</sup> Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; <sup>4</sup> so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel round his waist. <sup>5</sup> After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped round him.

<sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?'

<sup>7</sup> Jesus replied, 'You do not realise now what I am doing, but later you will understand.'

<sup>8</sup> 'No,' said Peter, 'you shall never wash my feet.'

Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.'

<sup>9</sup> 'Then, Lord,' Simon Peter replied, 'not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!'

<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered, 'Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet;

their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you.’ <sup>11</sup> For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not everyone was clean. <sup>12</sup> When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. ‘Do you understand what I have done for you?’ he asked them. <sup>13</sup> ‘You call me “Teacher” and “Lord”, and rightly so, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. <sup>15</sup> I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. <sup>17</sup> Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

For our prayers and praise this week	
Sun	Pray for today's services especially for Prayzone and all who lead it.
Mon	Pray for the young people, especially those who have finished their exams and now have to decide about their future.
Tues	Praise God for funding still coming in for the Reordering. Pray for the contractors as they work. May they feel encompassed by God’s love and presence. Let us all remember Nehemiah as he led the people in rebuilding the temple. When the people turned away he challenged them to pray and then God helped them.
Wed	Continue to pray for Victoria, Stephen and family, the Perry family and any others we know who are recently bereaved.
Thurs	Pray for all in our world suffering from hardship and persecution, all in captivity and slavery. May we pray that they are granted relief.
Fri	Pray for plans being made to hold two missions in Torquay. Pray that the right people may head these up and the right activities taken.
Sat	May we all work hard to grow closer to Jesus and may our church grow in unity and love with each other and the world around.
Sun	Pray for our families and friends - both near and far, especially those in other continents. Pray for those who are divided by grievances and misunderstandings.


## *What's on and News*

**Sad news** We are very sad to say that Andrea Perry has died. Her memorial service will be held on Thursday 3 October at 3.30pm here at St Matthias Church. It was Andrea’s wish that you wear something pink. There will be refreshments after the service to which all are welcome. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time.

## OPEN MIC EVENING

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October

*For One Night Only*

 The opening you've been waiting for!! A fantastic opportunity to showcase your talents in a friendly and encouraging atmosphere: singing, playing an instrument, poetry, jokes... Please contact Charlie Allansen, Dean Winter, Rob Newman or Christine Tibbetts for details and tickets.

**Confirmed?** Bishop Jackie is coming here for a confirmation service in March 2020. If you've not been confirmed but would like to find out more, please speak to one of the clergy and also join one of the Alpha courses which we're running.

## Q & A Wellspring Update

Progress continues...

The builders have started laying the steps up to the west entrance and have begun to sand down the floor in the Nave. The electricians are continuing to put in new wiring.

**Alpha** – come along and try it! It's a great refresher of the basics, and a great introduction to the Christian faith.

Our next course begins on Monday 7 October and will be run weekly over about 10 or so sessions. Each session begins at 9.15am and we're planning to arrange childcare. (There will be an evening course beginning in January.) If you or someone you know is interested, please let the clergy or office know.



### Messy Church at St Matthias

Messy Church is for Parents, Grandparents and Children. Come and join us for Bible Stories, Crafts, Celebrations and Supper. (No fixed charge, but contributions welcome.)

After school from 3.15pm:

17 Sept, 15 October, 19 November (tbc), 17 Dec

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