



Welcome

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

Sunday 9 February

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Church
10.30am	Coffee	Church
11am	United Family Service	Church
6.30pm	Night Shelter	Hall

During the Week

Mon-Fri	10am – 12.30pm Church open for visitors	Church
Tues	9am Open House Parents and Toddlers	Lounge
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits	Lounge
	3.15pm Messy Church	
Wed	9am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>	Church
	7.30pm Matt's Cats	Church
Fri	6.30pm TGIF	Hall
Sat	9-5pm Through Faith Missions – training day	Hall

Sunday 16 February

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Church
9.30am	Growzone	Church
10.30am	Coffee	Church
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Church
6.30 for 7pm	CARRYTHELOVE concert with the Circuit Riders – all welcome	Church

Thanks go to...

Night Shelter and
Torquay
Community
Larder ☺

Collect

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings

1 Corinthians 2: 1-12

And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. ⁶ We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷ No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. ⁸ None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ However, as it is written:

'What no eye has seen,

what no ear has heard,

and what no human mind has conceived' –

the things God has prepared for those who love him –

¹⁰ these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹ For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.

Matthew 5: 13-20

¹³ 'You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. ¹⁴ 'You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. ¹⁷ 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practises and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

For our prayers and praise this week	
Sun	Pray for the services today, especially the United Family Service and the meeting for musicians and singers. Pray for the Night Shelter, all those who attend and all who help and may they feel the love of Jesus here.
Mon	Pray for the PCC as they look for a new youth worker.
Tues	Pray for the PCC and the Bishops as they consider a replacement for Stephen. Pray for Victoria, Stephen, Peter, Paul and Abigail as they prepare for their move to Brixham.
Wed	Wellspring is now complete apart from some small things to finish. Please pray about the remaining money required and perhaps ask the Lord whether He wants you and me to give a little more.
Thurs	There are many people in our Church family who are suffering in one way or another often unknown to others. Pray that all may seek God's healing.
Fri	The Alpha Course has started, pray for all attending. Pray for preparations for the Lent Course, Home Groups and all other learning groups.
Sat	Pray for the 'Through Faith Missions' training course here today.
Sun	We meet in God's house - pray we will be united in our love for and our worship of God.

What's on and News

This week!



Help needed

Warm Clothing for ladies and men requested for the Night Shelter – secondhand lovely but underwear new please. Please put in pull out drawers at the back of church on the linkway side. Thank you.

Coffee Makers – can you help?



We've started serving coffee in the church at 10.30am (rather than the hall) and we urgently need more helpers to join the team. We also thank those who have been on the rota for many years and are looking to step down – we need others to fill their shoes please 😊 Please see Pere or Sylvia. Thank you.

Dates and what's on

15 February Through Faith Missions Training Course – here at St Matthias from 9-5pm – to book please email missiontorbay@gmail.com. Tea, coffee, biscuits provided – please bring your own lunch.

Tuesday 25th February - Girls Allowed are hosting a Pudding Evening for **ALL - blokes welcome!** We'd love you to join us in Church to eat puddings and enjoy a fun picture quiz to celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight & Shrove Tuesday. **Please sign up** in the hall or by emailing Ruth - jrmp@btinternet.com - £3 donation on the door or **donate a PUD.**

8 March This will be the last Sunday for the Yates family before they move to Brixham. There will be a church family lunch that day to say farewell. To give to a collection for them please contact the office or place in the collection in an envelope marked 'Yates'.

25 April Music Workshop for all who love singing with Geraldine Latty and Carey Luce – all day singing plus evening concert – see Anya for details.

Messages

Car Park The disabled car parking spaces on the north side of the church have now been marked and are ready to be used.

Children, youth and family worker?



Last Monday, the PCC agreed we'd like to replace Victoria's part time role with a full time one! However, the cost of employing someone only comes from our church family income; so please think and pray about whether God is calling you to support this work financially in addition to your general giving. In the meantime, we are aware there are several grant making bodies who could provide funds for both Wellspring *and* young people's work - we just need someone to offer to write applications - could you do that? Thank you. John Beckett

10 March Lent Courses begin

Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm

10, 17, 24, 31 March

'Flourishing'

A series of talks led by Andrew Green on being what God wants us to be

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*Wednesday mornings at 10.15am*

*11, 18, 25 March & 1 April*

**'Great Bible Stories'**

*A reading of some of the great bible stories*

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And in Holy Week there will be a reading of the whole of St Mark's Gospel (Tues eve & Wed morn)

CARRYTHELOVE

We are excited to be hosting the Circuit Riders on their 2020 CARRYTHELOVE European Tour.

Come and hear their music and their message at St Matthias Church:

Sunday 16 February 6.30 for 7pm

Tickets are free and available at EVENTBRITE: tinyurl.com/wnsvxaz

Monday 17 February 10am-12pm Session at St Matts (Lounge) for anyone working with young people or interested in doing so.

HOSTS required for up to 14 people - if anyone could provide 'B&B' on any of Fri 14, Sat 15, Sun 16, Mon 17, please contact Nathan:

nathan.kiyaga@stcm.torbay.sch.uk or see Paul Barton

