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Welcome as we look at St. Paul's letter to the Galatians

Services online available on the church YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJJf6YQ or via the church website - follow links from 'online services and worship resources' on home page **8am Holy Communion** online (recorded on 9 June) Sun 13 June https://voutu.be/--1mW C42Gw N.B New teaching 9.30am Ozone in the church building and online from Galatians – see https://youtu.be/pVyqsqquF6k note below Childrens activity sheet environment special edition ycm .pdf 10.30am Coffee on zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09 Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8 10.55am Singing on the piazza just before the service **11am Morning Worship** in church and livestreamed https://youtu.be/y3Epj4hDpnQ 5.30pm Prayer Meeting on zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78928452257?pwd=TDNTV2xLOUpmL0dmTFJQWFp2UGdSUT09 Meeting ID: 789 2845 2257 Passcode: d81mxz Readings: Galatians 2: 15 – 3:14 & Matthew 5: 17-20 https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians+2%3A+15+%E2%80%93+3%3A14+ &version=NIVUK

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

Next Week	
Tues 15 June	9.30-11.15 on Stoodley Green – phone 390222 to book
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits is back! On the piazza
Wed 16 June	9am Holy Communion in church
	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
	7-7.45pm Mission Torbay briefing on zoom see below for link
Thurs 17 June	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
	7.30-9pm Begin Well course in church
Fri 18 June	10-11.30am Mummy and Me in church
	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Sat 19 June	10.30am SWAwake Prayer Event around the Coast path
Sun 20 June	9.30am Growzone in the church building and online
	10.55am Singing on the piazza just before the service
	11am Holy Communion in church and livestreamed

Church family news

The next PCC meeting is on Monday 14th June. There's an outline agenda at the end of this notice sheet – so please let David Wilkinson know if you wanted to comment on any agenda item. Thank you. <u>dwilkinson.tq@btinternet.com</u>

Praying around the WHOLE South West of England Saturday 19th June 10.30am – 11am – sign up to join this fantastic way of praying with churches from across the south west by agreeing to pray at points every mile along the South West Coastpath that coincide with our parish boundary. Register here https://www.southwestawake.com/ and they will send you ideas on how to pray too – but please can you let Pere in the office know you've done this so we can let others not online come and join you in these places? Of the 5 points in our parish, Upton Vale church will be at the harbourside, but there are four other spots: Walls Hill; along Bishop's walk overlooking Hope Cove; at Thatcher's Point and by Meadfoot Beach Café.

Nicci Maxwell's latest newsletter is now available - Update from Uganda J

Ways to Serve and Wanted

A cleaner for occasional cleaning on a Friday in the Centre – please speak to Pere if you can help or know of anyone. Thank you.

Torquay Community Larder would welcome donations of the following: Tinned Peas, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Custard, Squash, Jam, Sugar, Breakfast Cereal, Toilet Rolls. They have enough pasta and sanitary items and toiletries. Please contact Linda Townsend on 07790 640372 to make arrangements for collection. **Torbay Street Pastors** Are re-launching soon – watch this space for more details! **TOWNS Friday Meals Service...in need of some help please in order to help the current volunteers to have a break** If anyone could help with this please (located at Upton Vale Church) contact Tony Watkins <u>ajpwatkins1@gmail.com</u> They need a mixture of cooks, veg preparers, packers, drivers, distributors and stewards. See below for more information. <u>towns-friday-meals-service.pdf (d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net)</u>

Other news & Information

Mission Torbay briefing Wed 16 June All welcome to come and find out what is being planned. 7-7.45pm on zoom. https://zoom.us/j/95667878797?pwd=TWwrbFJOY2UyZGIFcmZHWStPQnFydz09 Meeting ID: 956 6787 8797 Passcode: Planning

Booking in for Services To help with Test and Trace, instead of using the phone line to book in, please use the QR code on mobiles on arrival or sign in. Thank you.



Begin Well New *free* ante-natal course begins at St Matthias on Thurs 17 June for 6

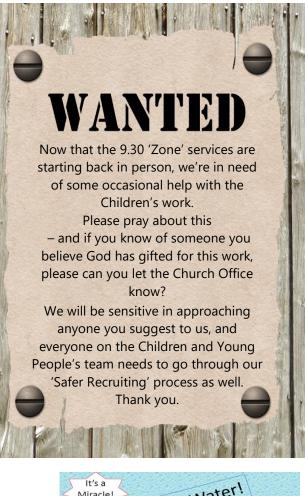
weeks 7.30-9pm. Contact Lena Fearnley for more info or to book on 01803 295268.

Mummy and Me – a new follow on from the Begin Well course for babies 0-12 months – every Friday beginning on Friday 18 June 10-11.30am. Run by Kate Hancox, Daisy Foundation trained. Contact Lena for more info on 01803 295268.

Unleashed Theatre Company – actors wanted!

Launch event at Upton Vale on 24th June at 7.30pm to discuss auditions and rehearsals for the production of 'What's So Amazing about Grace'.

To contact the Church: Although the building is closed you can still contact the church as follows: Office: 01803 214175 <u>admin@st-</u> <u>matthias-church.org</u> Rector: John Beckett 01803 293119 Asst Minister: Paul Barton 07807 636470 Messy Church 22 June





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Prayer

We would be glad to pray with you over the phone. Please phone our usual Office number 01803 214175. You are more likely to be able to speak to someone quickly Monday to Friday in office hours, but even at weekends, the messages are checked at least twice a day so someone will return your call.

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers

Sun Almighty God, creator of our world and all in it, we praise You for all You have given us. We thank You especially for our health and strength, homes and families and the lovely countryside we enjoy here in Devon. May we support decisions made at the G7 Summit Conference which is taking place at Carbis Bay in Cornwall.

Mon Pray that the present Pandemic will come to an end and the Government be able to lift the restrictions on the country at the moment. We pray for any who are suffering in any way as a result of this.

Tues Pray for all who are suffering – in hospital, at home, awaiting a procedure, facing strained relationships, lonely, frustrated or angry.

Wed We pray for all who maintain law and order in our country – the police, magistrates, lawyers and judges.

Thurs Young people under strain from the pandemic, those facing exams or their equivalent, those facing an uncertain future.

Fri We pray for Josh and Molly, and the other couples preparing to get married soon.Sat Let us join with those praying around the whole of the South West for the work and witness of God in this area.

Sun Pray for Pete Norris as he prepares for his ordination soon, and for Rachel and Evie. For the appointment of a Youth, Children and Families Worker. Praise God with Anthony Hindley who on 5th June celebrated his 55th anniversary of his ordination.

Teaching from Galatians – from 6th June

At the 9.30am 'Zone' services:

Life after Pentecost: 'A new family'

June 6thGrowing the familyJune 13thKeeping the family rules?June 20thAdopted into the familyJune 27thDeveloping the family likenessJuly 4thLiving together as family

And at the 11am services – a helpful word of introduction:

"With the opportunity of a new start, what sort of society do we want"? This has been the musing of politicians, journalists, and analysts with the end of the pandemic in sight. It seems like a unique opportunity to reboot how we view human community. Paul had a similar perspective as he wrote to the Galatians. It is probably the earliest document in the New Testament – written just 25-30 years after the resurrection. So, Paul's personal journey of faith and the reliability of his experience is fascinating and reassuring – this is "not something humans made up" (1:11)

Paul needed to establish the truthfulness of the Gospel because it has such radical implications for society and faith. You see, usually when people get hold of religion, they use it as an instrument of control and repression. Judaism had become like that and some of the old school had infiltrated the church bringing in rules, regulations and just bad thinking! Paul defends Christian freedom and the joy of life directed by the Spirit. So, he explained the proper place of the Old Testament law, and then described the wonder of being released as sons and daughters of God - who have the freedom of the Spirit to produce "fruit" that mirrors the life of Jesus himself. Today we have an opportunity for a new start across the board. Galatians is a great letter for rebooting correct thinking and behaviour. Tune into this exciting sermon series.

PCC agenda 14/06/21 7.30 pm by Zoom

Worshipping God – Making Disciples – Transforming Communities Agenda includes:

Updates: progress on applications for SCYP worker and Wellspring snagging items

Welcome to new PCC members and election of officers Election of Vice-chair, Secretary and Treasurer

Worshipping God/Making disciples

Review of our current pattern of services - how is it all going and how do we encourage people back into church when restrictions are removed? When we hold Messy Church also needs review for September onwards since this has had an encouraging number of new families but midweek afternoons may not be the best times...

Journey towards Recovery – our Pandemic Experience – small groups are meeting to consider key questions we need to address – covering these main areas:

the online 'audience'; pastoral concerns for the church family; discipleship and outreach; fellowship and social activity; recruitment to roles.

Mission Torbay – briefing meeting and how to expand the team

Finance update

'Strategic Development Fund' and Bay Church – any observations/questions? Transforming Communities

How to best welcome the Norris family

Report on Safeguarding - standard agenda item