



Welcome

Welcome to our services in church and also online via the Church YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJf6YQ>

or via the church website - follow links from 'online services and worship resources' on home page

Sun 18 July

9.30am Growzone *in church and livestreamed*

[Activity Sheet - Jesus Magnets](#)
<https://youtu.be/XOJVn90sk-Q>

10.30am Coffee Time *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 Holy Communion *in church and livestreamed*

<https://youtu.be/y4LKDKClvul>

Readings: 2 Samuel 7: 1-14a & Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Samuel+7%3A+1-14a+%amp;version=NIVUK>

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+6%3A+30-56&version=NIVUK>

Thanks go to:

All those caring
for others 😊

Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next Week

Mon 19 July

9am Morning Prayer *on ZOOM – all welcome to join us –*

Meeting ID: 792 8948 0664- Passcode: Pray

Tues 20 July

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	9.30-11.15 Open House Toddlers <i>on Stoodley Green or in the church if wet – phone 211947</i>
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits <i>on the piazza</i>
	3.15-5.15pm Messy Church – book now!
Wed 21 July	9am Holy Communion – Common Worship <i>in church</i>
	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Thurs 22 July	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
	7.30-9pm Begin Well course <i>in church</i>
Fri 23 July	10-11.30am Mummy and Me <i>in church</i>
	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Sun 25 July	10am United Family Service with the baptism of Sophia and Jonathan <i>in church and online</i>
	10.30am Coffee Time <i>on zoom</i> https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3882065555?pwd=VU12d0ZpNjJidHdSRE1qeGZBZzhUUT09 Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8
	5.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>on zoom</i> https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79303647040?pwd=MnJuYmxlQlNULzhleC9UeTRsMnZpdz09 Meeting ID: 793 0364 7040 Passcode: 2Np901

Church Family News

St. Matthias' Church Pre-School – A BIBLE FOR A CHILD

As we do every year, the Management Committee of our Pre-School would like to present a children's Bible (Beginner's Bible) to each of our 18 children leaving the Pre-School at the end of July to go to main school.



These would be presented at the end of term service in Church. We hope that the parents may read the stories to the children and also that the Bible would be treasured in years to come and be a reminder of what they learnt in Pre-School. The cost will be £10 per Bible. If anyone would like to buy a Bible or make a donation towards the cost, please make an online payment to the church bank account marked BIBLES (sort code: 40-52-40 account no. 00017933) or put your donations in a blue envelope marked 'BIBLES'. Please offer a prayer for the recipient as you give your gift. Thank you so much, Sylvia

Responding to the changes in Covid regulations.

The changes planned for Monday 19 July were discussed at the PCC meeting on Monday, but as we have yet to hear the advice and guidance from the Church of England taskforce we continue to ask folk to use the QR code on mobiles on arrival or sign in, and to wear masks. We expect to have more information next week. Thank you.

Services on 25 July and 29 August will be united family services and starting at 10am. For the rest of August we will continue with 9.30 & 11am services as usual.

How important are our young people?

We think that they are incredibly important!

But at the moment we are really struggling to provide them with the support that they deserve and need here at St Matts. Our depleted team are working really hard to provide teaching and activities for them, but if we are to continue to provide for them we need you. Do you have a desire to support and disciple our older children and young people? We need your help in their small groups during the Zone services as well as help with the Friday evening Youth Club. Please get in touch with Jack or Tessa if you are interested or want to know more.

Material is available for those who lead the groups, but we also need people to come along as a 'second adult'. You will understand that everyone who works or helps out with our children has to go through our 'safeguarding' process!

Linda Townsend would like to thank everybody in the St Matthias Church Family for their cards and kind words of condolence on the death of her Mum. They have been a great encouragement.

Len Barden We are sad to let you know that Len died at home on 6 July. His funeral will be at St Andrew's, Stokeinteighhead on Thurs 22 July.

Ways to serve and wanted

Stewards for Friday...would you like to join the team of stewards who are currently keeping the church open for private prayer in the mornings during the week? We are looking for two people to join the 'Friday team' from September. Please contact Pere to find out more.



Anyone for coffee? We are hoping to begin to serve coffee again at 10.30am between services to share in fellowship, have a chat and catch up with one another...once Covid regulations allow. In order to do this we will of course need some folk to come forward to serve. Please ring Pere in the office if you can help.

Other News & Information

Door code changes Every now and again we change the outside door codes for security reasons and this will be done during week commencing 19 July. If you are already a code holder the office will contact you over the next few weeks. If you have not heard by the end of July please phone Pere.

Nicci Maxwell Check out the link here to see how Nicci is getting on in Uganda [cms-link-letter-maxwell-july-2021](https://www.cms-link-letter-maxwell-july-2021)

New Wine is online this year from 29 July to 3 August. For more info see <https://www.new-wine.org/events/united-breaks-out/>

New 'Through Faith Missions' training day

The 3rd training day has been arranged (7 Aug at 9am) and is open to everyone in the Church family – an opportunity to learn about the forthcoming week of Mission in September – and to get involved in sharing the Good News of Jesus. For details about this event or to book please contact Joanna Wilkinson on missiontorbay@outlook.com



We are really excited to announce the **NEXT FREE ANTENATAL COURSE starts in September here at St Matthias on Thursday evenings for 5 weeks beginning on 23 September** at 7.30-9pm.

Contact Lena Fearnley for more info or to book on 01803

295268 or find us on Facebook or www.beginwell.org.uk. Begin Well is a charity founded by a health visitor and a consultant obstetrician. Created from NHS guidelines to help prepare for the arrival of your new baby.

Mummy and Me – a new follow on from the Begin Well course for babies 0-12 months has begun and runs every Friday 10-11.30am in the church. Run by Kate Hancox, Daisy Foundation trained. Mums, dads, grandparents all welcome. Contact Lena for more info on 01803 295268.



Table Due to the church re-ordering we have a large, round Gopak table in good condition which we will not be using. Should anyone have a home for it, please would you phone the church office or speak to Sylvia.

Powering the future with solar lamps – thank you St Matthias! See the link for words of thanks from Compassion and see what a difference they have made to many lives <https://tinyurl.com/dfr8h7yp> Hard copies of this available in church too.

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. We've been made very aware recently how many Christians are being persecuted just for their faith. Please pray against this persecution and that people in these situations would know when to speak out and when to be careful and remain silent. Pray especially for teenagers in Syria where they suffer terribly.

Mon. Pray for **Pete Norris** as he settles in to the work of a lay worker and then as a **Deacon** in September. Pray too for **Ruth Beckett** with her Training for **Ordination**.

Pray, too, for **Sharon Hiley** as she seeks God's calling on her life. Praise God for all **Lena** does in the life of the Church and pray for the appointment of a **Youth Worker** to help her and all the young people.

Tue. Pray for **Mission Torbay** In September. Pray that people will come forward so that members of the Parish will meet with Jesus and want to know and follow Him.

Wed. Pray for our leaders and those of the nations as they try to come out of lockdown.

Thu Remember **Nicci Maxwell** our **CMS Mission Partner** who is going through a particularly tough time, socially and medically at Kisoro, Uganda.

Fri We need **two people** to help keep **the church open for Prayer on a Friday morning**. We also need people to make coffee/tea so that our fellowship may grow

Sat. God is at work in the refugee camps of which there are very many across many countries around the world. He is there transforming lives, giving hope and salvation. Please pray for all in refugee camps and for the work of the ministry of Christ in those places.

Sun. *Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus* May this be the desire of all who worship together at St. Matts. whether in person or online.



All families welcome

Tuesday
20th July
From 3.15 - 5.15pm
At St Matthias Church

The Life Of Moses



Last Chance to book!!

Come and take part in our trail around the life of Moses, full of outdoor fun, crafts, worship and much more!
Supper included!

Pre Booking is essential. This afternoon will go ahead whatever the weather – indoors if wet!

Please book by calling Lena Fearnley on 295268 or stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org

Messy Church 20 July

To contact the Church: Although the building is closed you can still contact the church as follows:

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