



Welcome!

Join us either in church or online via our YouTube channel

<https://tinyurl.com/88s6x6fd>

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

Today	8am Holy Communion <i>(from the Book of Common Prayer)</i>
	9.30am Explore Together <i>informal family worship</i>
	10am Gather for Prayer
	11am Service of Commemoration with Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i> https://youtu.be/ZIRrnYcsklo
Monday	From 10am the funeral of Her Majesty the Queen will be livestreamed in church – coffee available – all welcome

Collect

Merciful Father and Lord of all life, we praise you that we are made in your image and reflect your truth and light. We thank you for the life of our late Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth, for the love she received from you and showed among us. Above all, we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants, living and departed, that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ. And we ask that in due time we may share with your servant Elizabeth that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Through Faith Missions This Weekend 17/18 September

Do join in – the Coffee Box will be open on the piazza on Saturday from 10am and 2pm
Sat 17th @ 7.30pm a Service of Worship with prayers for healing – all welcome

Church usually open for visitors/prayer Monday – Friday 12-2pm

Monday 19 September – Centre & Office closed – church open for funeral

Tues 20 Sept	9-11.30am Toddlers <i>in the church</i>
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits <i>knit and natter in the Hall – all welcome</i>
Wed 21 Sept	9am Holy Communion <i>Do join us and have a coffee afterwards</i>
	10am Ukrainian support group/coffee morning
	7.15-9pm St Matts Gospel Singers <i>practice in church</i>

Fri 23 Sept	10-11.30am Mummy & Me <i>in the church</i>
	6.30-8pm Youth Club <i>in the Hall</i>
Sun 25 Sept	8am Holy Communion <i>(from the Book of Common Prayer)</i>
	9.30am United Service with baptisms – a chance for the whole church family to come and worship together <i>followed by coffee</i>

Readings for Today

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:4

¹⁶Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

⁵For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. ²Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, ³because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. ⁴For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

John 6.35-40

³⁵Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. ³⁷All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. ⁴⁰For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.'

What's on?



Alpha 2022 The Alpha course provides a great opportunity to ask questions and explore more about what the Christian faith is all about as well as being a good 'refresher' for those who might have been coming to Church for years. Online and in person:
STARTS Tuesday 11th October 7.45pm – 9.15pm online on ZOOM
& Wednesday 12th 10 – 11.30am in the Church Centre

Even if you are not sure this is for you, **why not join the first session?**

For more info contact admin@st-matthias-church.org

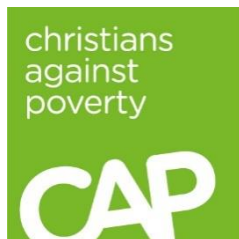
Wibb Trio - Music for our Time ...1st October

Many of you have been wondering whether the Friends are still planning to hold this event at a time of such sadness across the country. We've discussed this with Jane Wibberley who says "The message is very much geared to the events we are living through. Please be assured it will be totally mindful of the situation and my prayer is that it will be a help within this time of national grief and upset" We do hope you will agree. You can obtain your tickets from Chris Tibbetts on Sunday at the service or from Pere Snow in the church office. Rob Newman Chairman

Thanks go to:



Joanna and Andrew
and the Through
Faith Missions Team



CAP Course Worried about your finances? We're running a free CAP MONEY COURSE to help us all think about how we can spend, save and budget more wisely. When? 12, 19, 26 Oct at 7pm
Where? St Matthias Church Lounge
How do I book? Email: talktous@st-matthias-church.org

Or call the church office on 01803 214175

Begin Well - our free 5 week antenatal course returns for the 6th time on Thursday 6th October at 7.30pm in Church. For further information, contact Lena on 01803 295268 to book. Just a few places remaining!



Harvest We'll be celebrating Harvest on Sunday 9 October and will be collecting non-perishable goods for Torquay Community Larder. In particular they always need plenty of long-life milk (*but no pasta or tea please as they have plenty of these*)

'Explore' and 'Encounter' Services

A simple table to help remember what time our informal services take place! If you have never been to one of these, then we would love to see you.

1 st Sunday: Explore Together at 9:30am
2 nd Sunday: Encounter at 5:30pm
3 rd Sunday: Explore Together at 9:30am
4 th Sunday: Explore Together at 9:30am
5 th Sunday: United Service at 11:00am

Other News

Ruth was ordained deacon last Saturday at Exeter Cathedral. She is most grateful for all of the prayers, cards and gifts. Interviewed just afterwards, she said: "I am beyond excited. To be the first to affirm my oath to the new King was amazing but in ministry we affirm our allegiance to Jesus who is the same yesterday, today and always. It has been a good reminder that people come and go but Christ is constant."

Sad news **Simon Langley (Jan Miles' brother)** sadly died last week. His funeral will take place at St Matthias Church on 30 September at 1pm.

Communion Architects, who designed the re-ordering to the church, have created a Project Storybook about the Wellspring project – you may like to have a look here <https://tinyurl.com/55vtxd3f>

The Library Project is well under way – look out for some interesting books to read soon! But Sandra and Marilyn need help from any DIY enthusiast to make some wooden book markers. If you can help please contact the office who will then pass on your details. Thank you...Sandra and Marilyn

Carbon Literacy Project Interested in the science and solutions of climate change? See here for more info <https://exeter.anglican.org/environment/carbon-literacy/>

Pete Norris. Please keep Pete, Rachel, Evie and Ella in your prayers since Pete is off ill at present. Thank you. John B.

Prayers

Sun Praise God for the life of Her Majesty Elizabeth the Queen. We give thanks for her loyalty, faith in Christ, the care of her family and so we could easily go on.

Mon Today the funeral of Her Majesty will take place when the whole Nation will have the time to say thank you and show their respect.

Tue Pray for King Charles, Camilla - Queen Consort, The Prince and Princess of Wales and all the Royal Family in this time of mourning as well as being in the public eye so much, and let us not forget the younger members of the different families.

Wed Pray for Pakistan where they are having such unenviable and devastating floods, praying for safety and rescue.

Thu Pray for countries in East and Central Africa where they are having such huge droughts leaving them in the same sort of disaster as Pakistan. Also pray for Ukraine where fighting has escalated.

Fri Pray for all in the church family who have been bereaved, are ill, or suffering as a result of Covid, or financial problems.

Sat Remember all members of our families old and young, especially those separated by many miles or even continents.

Sun Pray for our staff team, for health and for wisdom and courage in these times of difficulties and pressure.



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Please note that our services are often live-streamed