



# Welcome!

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

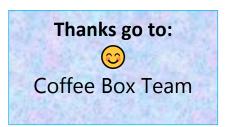
**Today** 8am Holy Communion (from the Book of Common Prayer)

9.30am United Service with baptisms – a chance for the whole church family to come and worship together followed by coffee

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=81oEn4Mi\_o8

#### **Collect**

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 



| Church usually open for visitors/prayer Monday — Friday 12-2pm |                                                                         |
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| Tues 27 Sept                                                   | 9-11.30am Toddlers in the church                                        |
|                                                                | <b>12-1.30pm Matt's Knits</b> knit and natter in the Hall – all welcome |
| Wed 28 Sept                                                    | <b>9am Holy Communion</b> Do join us and have a coffee afterwards       |
|                                                                | 10am Ukrainian support group/coffee morning                             |
| Thurs 29 Sept                                                  | 8.50-10.15am Breakfast! Girls Allowed in the church                     |
| Fri 30 Sept                                                    | 10-11.30am Mummy & Me in the church                                     |
|                                                                | 1pm Funeral of Simon Langley                                            |
|                                                                | 6.30-8pm Youth Club in the Hall                                         |
| Sat 1 Oct                                                      | 9am Men's Breakfast at Livermead House Hotel                            |
|                                                                | 7.30pm Jazz Evening with the Wibb Trio in the Hall                      |
| Sun 2 Oct                                                      | 8am Holy Communion (from the Book of Common Prayer)                     |
|                                                                | 9.30am Explore Together with breakfast! In the hall                     |
|                                                                | 10am Gather for Prayer all welcome                                      |
|                                                                | 11am Holy Communion followed by coffee                                  |

# Readings for Today

### Luke 15: 1-10

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering round to hear Jesus. <sup>2</sup> But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, 'This man welcomes sinners, and eats with them.'

<sup>3</sup> Then Jesus told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> 'Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders <sup>6</sup> and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbours together and says, "Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep." <sup>7</sup> I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent. <sup>8</sup> 'Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbours together and says, "Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin." <sup>10</sup> In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

# 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 11<sup>th</sup> October 7.45pm – 9.15pm online on ZOOM & Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:admin@st-matthias-church.org">admin@st-matthias-church.org</a>

**Girls Allowed Breakfast** – We are meeting for breakfast (croissants, coffee, fruit) on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September from 8.50 – 10.15 am in the church – a great way to start your day! If you haven't already booked to join us please phone Judi (01803 211947) by Tuesday midday as she needs to order the croissants! A donation of £3 on the morning would be welcome. Andrea, Elaine, Marjorie, Susie and Judi

#### Wibb Trio - Music for our Time 1 October at 7.30pm

Enjoy an evening with the always entertaining Wibb Trio; Jane, David and Mark. Tickets can be obtained from Chris Tibbetts on Sunday at the service or from Pere Snow in the church office. Rob Newman Chairman

**Autumn Leaflets** pick up a leaflet today to see what is happening at St Matts this autumn.



**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 need: tins of meat, fish, fruit, rice pudding, custard, vegetables, coffee, marmalade, jam, pasta sauce, squash, long life milk,

cereal, sugar, biscuits, loo rolls, deodorant, shampoo, shower gel, washing powder (but no pasta or tea please as they have plenty of these) Thank you

#### '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<sup>st</sup> Sunday: Explore Together at 9:30am 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Encounter at 5:30pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Explore Together at 9:30am 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Explore Together at 9:30am 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: United Service at 11:00am

### Other News

**PCC Minutes** from the last meeting are now available to read in the Hall (on the PCC noticeboard).

**Communion Architects,** who designed the re-ordering of the church, have created a Project Storybook about the Wellspring project – you may like to have a look here <a href="https://tinyurl.com/55vtxd3f">https://tinyurl.com/55vtxd3f</a> (There are a few hard copies at the back of church.)

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 very simple wooden book markers (to divide the books into alpha order.) If you can help please contact the office who will then pass on your details. Thank you...Sandra and Marilyn

## Prayers

### Suggestions for our Praise and Prayer this week

**Sun** Praise God for the late Queen, for the wonderful funeral, especially for the Christian content in the prayers and sermon.

**Mon** As Scripture tells us to, we pray for His Majesty King Charles, Camilla Queen Consort, the Prince and Princess of Wales and all the Royal Family. That they may all have wisdom and strength to fulfil their duties to the Nation.

**Tue** Thank God for all who were very positive in what they said about the Royal Family and for the thousands who queued to pay their respects.

**Wed** Pray for Nicci Maxwell (CMS Mission Partner) in her work at Kisoro, Uganda. Pray for her to have good health and wisdom in her difficult work with very sick mothers and babies and safe travel.

**Thu** Pray about the terrible situation in Ukraine and for peace and trust. That Russia will be stopped in their war against Ukraine.

**Fri** We pray for our Government in their new role, especially Liz Truss the new Prime Minister. Give her wisdom in all the problems she faces and judgements she has to make, especially in the financial crisis.

**Sat** Praise God for the recent visit of members of the 'Through Faith Missions' team who came to visit. Pray for the good conversations they had and for follow ups from the last time. May their fruit last.

**Sun** Remember the bereaved, the sick, those suffering in any way and for those who are caring for them professional or lay.

A Book of Condolence was opened at St Matthias for the 10 days of national mourning for Her Majesty the Queen. 132 condolence messages were received and they will be put in our local museum for 2 years. Thank you to all those who took a turn to keep the church open for this.

