



Sunday 27 February 2022

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'God's Glory'

Welcome!

Today, the theme is God's Glory

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

Sun 27 Feb	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>) in church
	11am Morning Worship in church and livestreamed https://youtu.be/rq6k2DVHPVs
	Activity sheet: Transfiguration of Jesus
	5.30pm 'Encounter' a youth-led gathering for all in church

Our readings today are:

Exodus 34: 29-35 <https://tinyurl.com/vse9hzbz>

Luke 9:28-43 <https://tinyurl.com/568j76fj>

Collect

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Thanks to:



AV team

Covid measures?

Sorry, no major changes yet, but the PCC are meeting on Monday (28/2) to review the situation... So, for now, please continue to wear a face covering, please try to do a "Lateral Flow Test" before coming to church, and please don't come to church if you feel unwell with any flu or cold symptoms. Thank you.

Readings for Today

Exodus 34: 29-35

²⁹ When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. ³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹ But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. ³² Afterwards all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

³³ When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴ But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

Luke 9:28-43

²⁸ About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendour, talking with Jesus. ³¹ They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfilment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, 'Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.' ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

³⁷ The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. ³⁸ A man in the crowd called out, 'Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. ³⁹ A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. ⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not.'

⁴¹ 'You unbelieving and perverse generation,' Jesus replied, 'how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here.' ⁴² Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father. ⁴³ And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.

Monday – Friday 12-2pm Church open for visitors/prayer	
Mon 28 Feb	PCC on zoom – please pray for this meeting – agenda below
Tues 1 Mar	9am Toddlers <i>in church</i>
	12-1.30pm Matts Knits <i>in church</i>
Ash Wednesday	9am Morning Prayer <i>in church</i>
	7pm Holy Communion (<i>Common Worship</i>) <i>in church</i>
	7.15-9pm St Matts Gospel Singers <i>practice in Pine Room</i>
Thurs 3 Mar	7.30pm Begin Well <i>in church</i>
Fri 4 Mar	10-11.30am Mummy and Me <i>in church</i>
	6.30pm The Loft <i>youth group</i>
Sat 5 Mar	Men's Breakfast <i>Livermead House Hotel</i>
Sun 6 Mar	8am Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>) <i>in church</i>
	9.30am 'Explore' <i>in church informal worship with children's group</i>
	11am Holy Communion <i>in church and livestreamed</i>
	5.30pm Prayer Meeting (<i>zoom</i>)
Mon 7 Mar	7.30pm Lent Course week 1 <i>in church</i>

News and Events

Book now for lots of events coming up soon 😊

LOVELIFE LIVELENT 😊



LIVING IN LOVE & FAITH **Lent Course** begins on Monday 7 March at

7.30pm – repeated Wednesdays at 10am. Please be courageous and join in this valuable course – we'll be

aiming to practice these Pastoral Principles to help us. Ideally, please book in to help us with planning: **Eventbrite** <https://tinyurl.com/ypumc56v> or just **contact the office. Thank you.**

- **Sunday teaching on the 'Spiritual Disciplines'** – you may like to use one of these books to accompany your learning this Lent: the classic 'Celebration of Discipline' by Richard Foster, or the more recent 'The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry: How to stay emotionally healthy and spiritually alive in the chaos of the modern world' by John Mark Comer.
- **Torbay Men's Breakfast Saturday 5th March** Livermead House Hotel. Guest speaker – Debbie Shotton, Rowcroft Hospice – the importance of End of Life Care. £15.00 per head to include breakfast payable in advance if poss. To book email: charlieallansen@gmail.com by 3 March.

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PREJUDICE

speak into
SILENCE

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IGNORANCE

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POWER

- **Messy Church** Tuesday 15th March ‘Stop. Danger. Go no further!’ Come and discover Jesus in the wilderness.... did Jesus give in to temptation? Full of indoor fun, crafts, worship and much more! Supper for **all** included! We are looking forward to seeing everyone - to book, please call Lena (01803 295268) or stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org
- **The Keswick in Devon Conference 7-11 March 2022, Sidmouth**
Exploring Philippians and Jonah with Marcus Honeysett and Amy Orr Ewing <https://keswickindevon.org.uk/>

Prayer

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayer

Sun. Pray for every member of the Church that they may be preparing for the Lent Course. Pray that it will be a good course when we learn God’s will and understand each other better.

Mon Praise God for our doctors, nurses, carers, and all who work in our hospitals, care and nursing homes in any capacity. Pray for strength and wisdom for them all.

Tue Continue to pray for the critical situation between Russia and Ukraine and other countries around that area. Pray for their leaders and other world leaders trying to negotiate for peace.

Wed. Remember Church leaders, especially those in our Diocese and Deanery as they all struggle to bring the church back to “normality” from the problems of the pandemic.

Thu. Pray for Nicci Maxwell as she spends time in England. Pray that she may be able to prioritise her visits satisfactorily and that she will have time for relaxation.

Fri Please pray for the country of Nigeria which is one of the leading countries engaging in the persecution of Christians, and please pray for all Christians living in Nigeria and other countries facing persecution.

Sat. With Covid measures released, please pray for those particularly anxious about their health especially those with distinctive health vulnerabilities. Pray that Her Majesty the Queen will have a full recovery.

Sun. Pray that we as a congregation may grow in our faith and trust our Saviour to lead us forward. Pray for our leaders John, Pete, Paul and the churchwardens.

Ways to serve in the church

Coffee Makers We would like to start serving coffee again on Sundays after the 11am service. Would anyone like to join the team? Contact Pere - 214175

Platinum Jubilee weekend in June – how St Matthias can best serve the community for these celebrations – can you be part of a planning group?

Minibus we want to offer lifts to church again but need to find drivers. Contact Andrew Stilliard on 07729 362802. (Please see note on safeguarding.)

St Matthias is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. In order to keep everyone safe we have a 'safer recruitment' procedure that we ask all volunteers to follow and all appointments are subject to acceptable pre-appointment checks.

Outline PCC Agenda Monday 28th Feb – Please email any comments to the PCC Secretary, David Wilkinson dwilkinson.tg@btinternet.com

Worshipping God

- New Service Pattern from March
- Covid measures and promoting 'return to church'

Making disciples

- SCYP: Youth worker – application process update; report about Primary School Values discussion; applying to Diocesan Mission and Growth Fund.
- Outreach Plans: 'Through Faith Missions' returning 16 - 18th Sept 2022; Jubilee – how to celebrate.
- Annual Church Meeting – 8th May – 5 vacancies for PCC

Transforming Communities

- How could we offer appropriate medical and/or financial support where needed to families we have regular contact with?
- Safeguarding - including training update
- Deanery Report

ALPHA starts...9 March @ 7.30pm

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