



...the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him...

Luke 4: 17



29 August 2021

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## Welcome to our Services

in church and online via our YouTube channel

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

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

Sun 29  
August

**9.30am Coffee Time** *on zoom*

*Grab a drink and log in to 'zoom' to meet and catch up with others in the St Matthias family!*

<https://tinyurl.com/56uwmn42>

Meeting ID: 780 4169 2954 Passcode: zqVcB4

**10am United Family Service** *in church and livestreamed*

where we explore what is meant by 'mission'.

You can join on YouTube here <https://tinyurl.com/y8dtj8mr>

There is an **activity sheet** which can be found here

<https://tinyurl.com/p7ttmfwz>

*(but if you don't have a printer we can leave one out at church for you to collect)*

**Our reading this week is:**

**Luke 4: 14-30** <https://tinyurl.com/2v9etnae>

*Bob Hartman's 'Telling the Gospel' can be purchased at Eden here*

<https://tinyurl.com/yjd76szy>

Thanks go to:  
Our hard working  
and lovely church  
wardens



### Collect

Almighty God,  
you search us and know us:  
may we rely on you in strength  
and rest on you in weakness,  
now and in all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Next Week at St Matts

<b>Mon 30 August</b>	<b>9.00am Morning Prayer on ZOOM</b> – all welcome to join us – <i>Meeting ID: 792 8948 0664 – Passcode: Pray</i>
<b>Tues 31 August</b>	<b>9.00am Morning Prayer on ZOOM</b> – all welcome to join us – <i>Meeting ID: 792 8948 0664 – Passcode: Pray</i>
<b>Wed 1 Sept</b>	<b>12.00 – 1.30pm Matt’s Knits</b> <i>on the piazza/in the Hall</i>
<b>Wed 1 Sept</b>	<b>9.00am Holy Communion</b> (Common Worship Liturgy) <i>in church</i> <i>If you’ve not been before, do come along to join us for a simple service of communion</i>
<b>Thu 2 Sept</b>	<b>10.30 – 11.30am Church open for private prayer</b>
<b>Fri 3 Sept</b>	<b>10.30 – 11.30am Church open for private prayer</b>
<b>Sun 5 Sept</b>	<b>9.30am Breakfastzone</b> <i>in church and livestreamed</i> With doughnuts, cookies and a drink!
<b>Sun 5 Sept</b>	<b>10.30am Coffee Time</b> <i>on zoom</i> <a href="https://tinyurl.com/35vrx9jh">https://tinyurl.com/35vrx9jh</a> Meeting ID: 388 206 5555 Passcode: 1PEAb8
<b>Sun 5 Sept</b>	<b>11am Holy Communion</b> <i>in church and livestreamed</i> We will begin with singing before the service

## Church Family News

### Responding to the changes in Covid regulations.

Several people have asked why we are continuing to ask people to wear a mask: We appreciate that there is no longer a mandate to do so, but as you will be aware in Torbay the level of infection is amongst the UK’s highest, and we are urged by both government and our Church Leaders to continue to respect one another and be aware of the ongoing risks, knowing that even those of us vaccinated can still carry the virus. This is why we continue to ask people:

- to sign in via the QR code on arrival
- to respect each other’s personal space and maintain 1-2m social distancing
- to wear a mask inside in order to protect others more than ourselves
- to refrain from embracing one another in the Peace
- to continue to use ‘intinction’ (dipping the wafer into the wine) during communion.

**Advert for a Youth and Outreach Worker** we are continuing to advertise for a youth and outreach worker to begin in October.

Please continue to pray for this ministry. You can see a video clip here

<https://youtu.be/QwTgUMbLjI> .



## *Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September - Save the date!*

A call for a day of PRAYER and FASTING on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

As we start to emerge from the events of the last 18 months, we feel a need to come together as a body of believers to

listen to what God has to say to us and to seek his healing for ourselves both as individuals and as a church.

The day will start at 9:30 and include a time of worship, prayer, studying scripture – particularly looking at John 17 – and communion as we seek to hear from God.

Further details will follow, but please put the date in your calendar now!

## *Ways to serve and wanted*



The upcoming Mission Torbay (19<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September) is getting ever closer!

When Jesus sent the disciples out on their first mission without him (Luke 10) he told them not to take “a purse or bag or sandals”, because those in the places they were

going to would provide for them.

Similarly the people who will be coming from other parts of the UK as part of the Through Faith Missions team will come expecting the Lord to provide for them – and that involves us.

Please contact Joanna or Andrew if you are able to offer some level of hospitality over the week, be that a meal, help with preparing lunches, a bed for a night or full board for a week!

## *Men's Breakfast*

On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 9:00am there is going to be a Breakfast as part of the Mission Torbay week, which will be a good opportunity to come and catch up as well as a chance to bring a friend along.

If you have not done so already, please get in touch with Kevin (07806 621497) or Diane (07954 602603) Francis – AND if you happen to be a member at the Torquay Golf Club as well, please speak to Kevin!

**Church Cleaning** Now that the church is being used more frequently we are trying to reinstate the rota for church cleaning. If you are able to serve for a couple of hours on a monthly basis please could you contact the office. We are looking for another 6 or so people to help please – thank you for those who have already offered.

## 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	<p><b><i>O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.</i></b></p> <p>At the beginning of this week may we be conscious of worshipping the Lord. Make our church building a holy place where we know we are safe in the presence of God and His people</p>
MON	<p>Pray for <b>Haiti</b>, one of the poorest countries in the world, coping with an earthquake which has destroyed 130,000 buildings and with at least 2000 dead. Pray for the people of this island, for all aid agencies bringing support and relief, for those who are mourning and those trying to restore some civil authority.</p>
TUES	<p>On the last day for evacuations from <b>Kabul</b> airport, pray for the maximum possible to be airlifted, for the safety and protection of those remaining, for world leaders as they deal with the <b>Afghan</b> situation and for the refugees coming to this country that they may find hospitality and a new home. Pray for the Taliban that they may exercise the more liberal regime some of the leaders have said they will</p>
WED	<p>Pray for the <b>young people</b> of the church, thank God for all their giftings and pray that they may feel really wanted and loved by the Church membership. Pray that a right person may respond to the advert for a worker in our church</p>
THUR	<p>Please pray for the <b>Mission Torbay</b> teams joining the church in three hubs – Paignton, Preston in our Parish area. Pray that God will be preparing each one to make Jesus known. Pray for a good response from our fellowship to help actively and to pray</p>
FRI	<p>Pray for those <b>suffering</b> spiritually and finding it difficult to settle back into worship; those with tensions, with spiritual doubts, the sick and those in pain, suffering as a result of the pandemic and those recently bereaved. May the Lord meet them all at whatever point of need they have</p>
SAT	<p>In Jesus' Name and with His power pray <b>against Covid 19</b>, especially for the Torbay area as it continues to record high Covid infection levels. Pray for all health workers in our hospital and for all in the hospitality industry in the Bay, for a successful end of the summer period.</p>
SUN	<p>Thank God for the whole <b>leadership and Pastoral Team</b>. Pray that the Holy Spirit will fill them afresh and strengthen them in their service for Jesus. We pray the same for our Churchwardens, Sylvia and Paul, and Pere our Administrator</p>

#### To contact the Church

You can get in contact with us by phone or email:

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