



9 May 2021

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Collect

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Welcome

Services online

available on the church YouTube channel

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

It may be simpler to find all the services by looking at the different **PLAYLISTS**
on St Matthias YouTube channel

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

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

Sun 9 May

8am Holy Communion – Book of Common Prayer *online*

9.30am Ozone *online and live in the Preschool car park area with children's groups. Ideally, please phone to book in 311488.*

Link to children's sheet: [Jesus and the amazing breakfast](https://youtu.be/7yqiH9yUbi4)
<https://youtu.be/7yqiH9yUbi4>

10.30am Coffee Time *on zoom*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84034859988?pwd=TmtKVWdsMU1ZSkRiZ25rUm1iQjRkQT09>
Meeting ID: 840 3485 9988 Passcode: 607224

10.50am Sung Worship begins outside (weather permitting)

11am Morning Worship *in church and livestreamed – please phone to book a place on 311488*

5.30pm Prayer Meeting *on zoom*

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75161845634?pwd=NFU0eVBmdFpscRndHFaKzM2NDdaUT09>
Meeting ID: 751 6184 5634
Passcode: XAxy1M

Readings: Acts 10: 34-48 & John 15: 9-17

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+10%3A++34-48&version=NIVUK>

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15%3A+9-17&version=NIVUK>

...and for Ozone Acts 1:1-11

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=acts+1%3A+1-11&version=NIVUK>

Next Week – Christian Aid Week

Tues 11 May	9.30-11am Toddlers on Stoodley Green! <i>See note below</i>
Wed 12 May	10.30-11.30am Church open for private prayer
Thurs 13 May	9am Ascension Day service – in church and livestreamed
Sun 16 May	9.30am Growzone online and live on the piazza with children's groups
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News and dates for the diary

Ascension Day Holy Communion service...9am on Thursday 13 May – in person and live streamed. Would you like to read at the service? If so please contact Sylvia on 07812 941029. To book in (to assist with Test and Trace) please phone 311488.

This Sunday! 9th May - look out for the first ZONE TRIAL! See note at end ...

PCC Agenda Items Please pray for the PCC meeting on 10th May and do send in any comments about any of the agenda items we expect to look at – please send to the Church Office. We will be discussing:

- Church services - how to return to in-person and maintain online presence
- Beginning to discern which 'ministries' to re-start
- Progress on applications for the SCYP worker
- Reviewing re-opening of the Centre and Preschool operations
- Planning for the September 'Mission Torbay', the APCM, and welcome of the Norris family.
- Fabric items, including final stages of Wellspring
- Finance
- Upgrading the website and welcome booklet



Opening the church for prayer – would anyone like to open up the church again for private prayer on a Thursday or a Friday from 10.30-11.30am? We are currently open on a Wednesday but would like to extend this ministry. Please contact Pere on 214175. Thank you.

Private Prayer on a Wednesday 10.30-11.30am The church is open again for anyone who wishes to come for some quiet time to reflect and pray and to light a candle.

Open House Toddler Group is back! We are meeting every Tuesday 9.30 - 11am on Stoodley Green (the coffee shop end). To comply with current Covid guidelines we are only allowed to have 15 adults so please book ahead – it will be lovely to see you. To book please phone Judi on 01803 211947 to leave an answerphone message (including your phone no.) and Judi will call you back.

Annual Church Meeting is on Sunday 23rd May at 4pm – it's going to be on zoom. We're hoping that everyone wishing to 'attend' will be able to access zoom or find a buddy with zoom. If this is a problem, please let us know. This is when we formally receive the Annual Report and the Financial Report for 2020 and elect 2 Churchwardens and 5 PCC members. Churchwardens are elected annually and PCC members serve for 3 years. If you haven't returned your electoral roll form (there's no need to reapply if you are already on the electoral roll) please return one to the office by this Sunday. Nomination forms for Churchwarden and for the PCC are available at the back of the church, or by email from dwilkinson.tg@btinternet.com The Annual Report will be available online shortly. **David Wilkinson, PCC Secretary**

Thanks go to:
Julie Bouskill for all
her help with IT and
the website 😊



Fair Shares Box or 'Goodie Box' The box really is full of goodies so much so that no more donations are needed thank you! There are books, dvds, seeds and more for anyone to take away – and it's all free! Could anyone help Sue and Rob Day look after it? If so please contact Sue on 07550 013101.

Two Projects, One Vision

You can view on St.Matt's website or FB page

www.st-matthias-church.org/children-youth/children-youth-and-family-worker/

Please pray that we will find the right person for this important role. We are still short of fully funding this post, so if you have not previously seen it, there is a letter you can read and more information on the church website, including a donation form and ways to contact Tony, the Treasurer at <https://www.st-matthias-church.org/information/wellspringscyp-appeal/>

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.

Nicci Maxwell in Uganda Please click on the link below for Nicci's latest Link letter. She is having quite a challenging time at present, so do remember her in your prayers. [cms-link-letter-maxwell-april-2021.pdf \(d3hgriq6yacptf.cloudfront.net\)](https://www.st-matthias-church.org/information/wellspringscyp-appeal/)

Torquay Community Larder would welcome donations of the following: Tinned Peas, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Custard, Squash, Jam, Sugar, Breakfast Cereal, Toilet Rolls. They have enough pasta and sanitary items and toiletries. Please contact Linda Townsend on 07790 640372 to make arrangements for collection.

Christian Aid Week 10 - 16 May

Christian Aid exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. They work with local partners and communities across the world, providing disaster relief and equipping disadvantaged and marginalised people with the resources they need to enhance their lives.



Increasingly, Christian Aid's work among poor communities involves combatting the damaging effects on them of climate change.

For over 50 years, Christian Aid have been active in India, where they are currently assisting with getting equipment and supplies to frontline medical and aid workers faced with the devastating impact of Coronavirus. You are invited to donate in support of Christian Aid's vital work. If possible, please give via their website (which has the option to gift aid your donation) or by telephone: 020 7523 2269. For donations by post, please send to their Head Office at: Christian Aid, 35-41 Lower Marsh, London SE1 7RL.

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week>

Girls Allowed - We hope that you will be able to join us on Zoom on Wednesday 12th May at 7pm when we are planning to have a short game of Table Talk, in breakout rooms, before coming together to hear Tessa Barton share some of her story.

If you would like to join in the evening but aren't on our email list, please contact Ruth at jrmp@btinternet.com and she will send you the Zoom link. You will be really welcome! Ruth, Marjorie, Sue and Judi

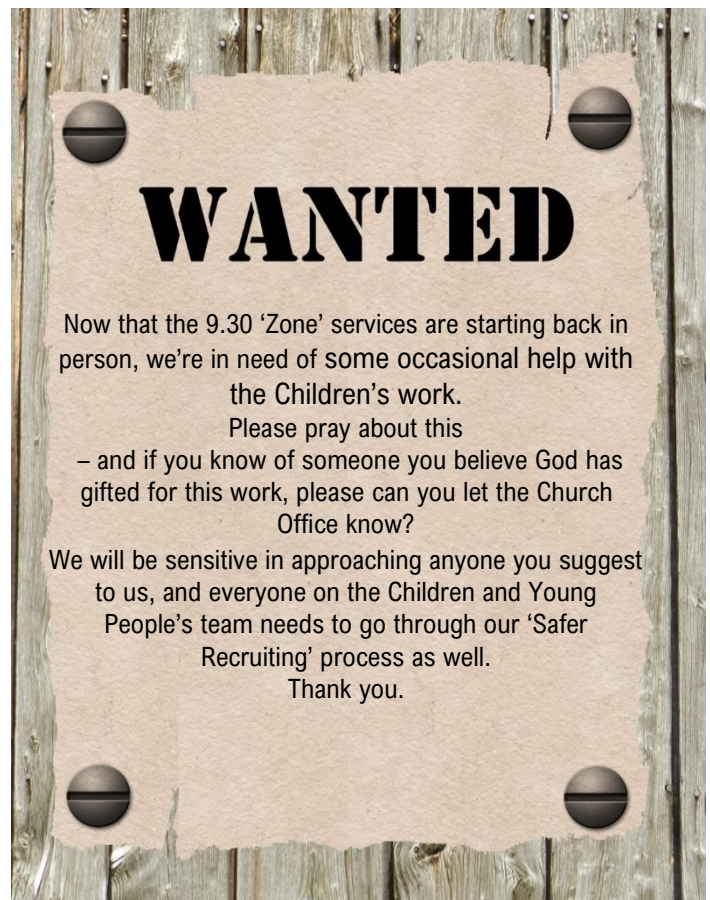
A New Church in the Bay! From the diocesan webpages...

The Church of England in Devon has been successful in its £1.5m funding bid for a new mission initiative aimed at young people and families in Torbay.

The new Bay Church will be based at St Andrew's Church in Paignton.

Rev'd Matt Bray, currently a curate at Harbour

Church in Portsmouth, has been appointed as the church's leader. He said, "It feels very exciting and a very welcome answer to prayer! ...This funding gives us a great platform from which to join in with the incredible work already happening in the Bay...I can't wait to see the impact this will have on the lives of people in Torbay as we seek to play our part in seeing Jesus loved, the Church alive, and society transformed, in Jesus name!"





NEW **FREE** ANTENATAL COURSE
AT ST MATTHIAS CHURCH TORQUAY
Starting 17th June 2021

Dates (all Thursdays):
17th, 24th June
1st, 8th and 15th July
Time: 7.30 - 9.00pm

Book your free course NOW
Find us on facebook or www.beginwell.org.uk

Begin Well is a charity founded by a health visitor and a consultant obstetrician, based on NHS guidelines to help prepare for the arrival of a new baby

Run by: St Matthias Church, Babbacombe Road, Wellswood, TQ1 1HW
Contact Lena Fearnley - 01803 295268



Fruit of the Spirit
All families welcome

Come Join Us -
St Matthias Church
- Outdoors
Tuesday
18th May
3.15 – 5.15pm

Messy Church
We're back!

Come and take part in our fruit themed afternoon, full of outdoor fun, crafts, worship and much more! Picnic snack box supper too!

Pre Booking is essential This afternoon will go ahead whatever the weather, so dress appropriately!
Please book by calling Lena Fearnley on 295268 or stmattscw@st-matthias-church.org

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers

- Sun.** Pray for the singing before the 11.00am service and so go on praying for the team trying to work out the future of the life of worship at St Matthias.
- Mon.** Praise God for all that the PCC do and for the meeting tonight with all the looking forward for the church and the part we play in Mission Torbay in September.
- Tue.** Pray for Pete and Rachel as they prepare for ordination and their coming to be part of the fellowship and leadership in our Parish. Pray too that there will be a response to the Youth and Children's worker advert and the right person will apply.
- Wed.** Remember all those still suffering as a result of the Covid pandemic. Pray that people will be responsible as we slowly come out of lockdown.
- Thu.** Thy Kingdom Comes programme begins. Pray we may know what part we need to play and that it will be a blessing to our fellowship and the whole church in Torbay.
- Fri.** Praise God and pray for Nicci Maxwell our CMS Mission Partner. Thank the Lord for the recent retreat on Lake Bunyoni (a truly beautiful place) for the refreshment and the making of new friends. Pray for safety on the rough roads and for her work in the local hospitals and medical centres.
- Sat.** Pray for all the preparations that have to be made before the Annual Parochial Church Meetings to be held on 23rd. Pray that the right people will stand and be elected on to the PCC and other committees.
- Sun.** As we worship today may we remember that we are in the presence of a holy God and give Him all the honour due to Him. May we also learn to love and respect each other.

This Sunday 9th May
The 9.30am 'Zone' service returns in person!
- with the children's groups 😊

Meeting initially in the lower St. Matthias Pre-school car park
(so we can sing 🎵 - *though still with face coverings please*)

The children's groups will be outside

– so do come dressed for all weathers!

*There's no need to book, but if you know you are coming,
it makes it easier with Track and Trace if you can phone ahead please 01803 311488*

This week is a bit of a trial
but we hope to continue each week.
However, either way, we'll be online as usual too ✓

On SUNDAY 16th MAY we will be looking at the 'THY KINGDOM COME' material and
this includes the CHEEKY PANDAS. The format will in part be dictated by how things
go on the 9th and any feedback you might give us!!

With blessings

John, Paul and the ZONE team.



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

Office: 01803 214175 admin@st-matthias-church.org

Rector: John Beckett 01803 293119

Asst Minister: Paul Barton 07807 636470