



*St John the
Evangelist
Highbridge*

*We want to be a people of courage,
sharing God's love across our community.*

18th July 2021
7th Sunday after Trinity

Music in Today's service:

Saviour of the world

Father I place into your hands

Let there be love

Let us break bread

Christ is the world's true light

Thank you,

Martin, for

playing for us

Welcome to Church Today

Collect: Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion: Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Bible Reading: Ephesians 2:11-end

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands, remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Bible Reading: Mark 6:30-34, 53-end

The apostles returned from their mission. They gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

In our prayers....

To include somebody on this prayer list please let Liz in the office know by 8am on Thursday, making sure the person you wish to be included wants their name in print.

Marriage:

Couples preparing for marriage and those recently married.

Baptisms:

We pray for all parents and godparents.

Those in need of our prayers:

Victoria Yasenko, Gloria Vivash, Gaynor Lynham, Adrian Roberts, Tony and Joan Webb

For those who have died:

We pray for those who have recently died and their loved ones who grieve their loss.

Christine Cox, Peter Hookway

Those whose anniversary falls this week:

Michael Smith

In our community:

We give thanks for all black and minority ethnic people in our community. We pray for all victims of racism, prejudice and hate crime, both in person and online.

In our world:

We continue to pray for all those affected by extreme weather and the effects of climate change. We pray for the Young Christian Climate Network who have been raising awareness through their walking and cycling pilgrimage from the G7 in Cornwall to the COP26 in Glasgow.



PCC Meeting Tuesday 20th July 7.30pm in the church hall

Please do speak to Rev Martin before this date with your thoughts on any aspect outlined in the Pastoral letter so the PCC can take them all into consideration when making decisions on St. John's future.

Rev'd Martin has written a pastoral letter to the congregation and we would encourage everyone to read it.

If you need a copy, please contact Liz in the office.

Gaynor Lynham extends a message of thanks to everyone for their prayers as her ongoing treatment continues.

Roof Repairs

There is scaffolding up at the east end of the church to allow access to the roof so the repairs to the leadwork can be carried out over the next couple of weeks.

Children's Society Boxes

The Children's Society collection boxes are now due in so please return it to church or contact Ian for it to be collected.

01278 785367

Contact us:

For general enquiries and wedding or baptism bookings, in the first instance please contact the church parish office.

Office opening times are:

Tuesday 10am -2pm

Wednesday 9.30am – 12 noon

Thursday 10am – 2pm

Term time only



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Giving

If you haven't already done so, please do consider setting up a standing order to give to St. John's regularly.

Every penny goes toward the upkeep of our beautiful church which enables us to preserve it for future generations, to support our ministry here in Highbridge and help with our commitment to our parish share.

It also helps knowing our regular income as it assists our ongoing financial planning.

If you are eligible, please do also gift aid your giving as this enables us to claim an extra 25p for every pound you give from the government at no extra cost to you.

Forms are available in church or speak to Rev'd Martin or our treasurer, Ian, if you need any help.

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Ian Chedzey 01278 785367

Tea under the Tree

St. John's church, Highbridge



Cream tea
and live music

Everyone welcome

21st August 2021

3 - 5pm

£5 adults £2 children

For tickets

call: 01278 780633

Email: stjhnsofficehighbridge@gmail.com

Or available from Liz or Pat in church



Support. Hope. Belonging.

Facing life alone is hard, and when you feel there is no one there to support you it is a scary place to be. Therefore, at Safe Families we offer support, hope and belonging to improve the lives of those in our communities.

The charity works with local churches and community groups to link children, young people and families with local volunteers who can offer them help, support and make relationships and connections because everyone deserves to belong and no one should feel alone.

On 25th July during the 9.30am service we have a visiting presentation from a representative of the charity Safe Families. Please do come along, listen, and see if you can help support their valuable work.

CALENDAR

July 2021



Sun 18th 7th Sunday after Trinity
8am Communion 9.30am Communion

Mon 19th Churchfield Leaver's Assembly

Tues 20th 1.30pm Funeral
7.30pm PCC meeting in church hall

Wed 21st 9am Morning prayer live on Facebook

Thurs 22nd 10am – 2pm Church open for prayer

Fri 23rd 9am Morning prayer live on Facebook

Sun 25th 8th Sunday after Trinity
8am Communion 9.30am Communion 1pm Baptism

Wed 28th 9am Morning prayer live on Facebook

Thurs 29th 10am – 2pm Church open for prayer

Fri 30th 9am Morning prayer live on Facebook

August 2021

Sun 1st 9th Sunday after Trinity
8am Communion 9.30am Communion 3pm Baptism

Wed 4th 9am Morning prayer live on Facebook

Thurs 5th 10am – 2pm Church open for prayer

Fri 6th 9am Morning prayer live on Facebook

Sun 8th 10th Sunday after Trinity
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